Behind the Scenes

Music Creation in Athens, Ga.

By Leara Rhodes

The Georgia Chapter of the Fulbright Association, with a Fulbright program enrichment grant from the State Department’s Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs, organized the program “Behind the Scenes: Music Creation in Athens” to offer visiting Fulbright grantees and Fulbright alumni a unique insight into the music world in Georgia. The program was designed to enable Fulbrighters to learn about the history of music in Athens and to sample some of the town’s music scene. The program created a cultural and musical bridge for the visiting Fulbrighters by introducing them to an art and major industry in the United States at the local level.

Athens, Georgia, located 79 miles northeast of Atlanta, is a university town with a rich music tradition, including alternative, rock, pop, blues, rockabilly, classical, country, Americana, electronic, techno, folk, funk, R&B, rap, inspiration, religious, jazz, reggae, ska, world, punk, metal, and hard rock music. Home to 350 registered bands, three symphony orchestras, an opera company, numerous street musicians, and 78 clubs for nighttime listening, Athens can fulfill just about anyone’s musical wishes.

To provide the most comprehensive view of the music scene in Athens, the program took the Fulbrighters to a broad array of establishments, each with its own unique connection to the music industry. To begin the daylong program, visiting Fulbrighters and chapter members gathered at the Town and Gown Theater for a breakfast of pastries and coffee. Town and Gown, which has served Athens since 1968, is the oldest community theater in town. Entirely volunteer-run, the theater stages 60 to 70 performances every year.

Following breakfast, the group moved on to Chase Park Transductions, a locally-owned recording studio producing national recordings, for a special presentation by musician David Barbe. The group also visited Nuçi’s Space, a nonprofit resource center for musicians in Athens, for a catered lunch, a documentary film, and a panel discussion. Nuçi’s Space works to build and strengthen the local music community and to create an environment that fosters the mind.

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Save the Dates

25th Anniversary Conference to be held Oct. 10-13

Celebrating its 25th year, the Fulbright Association’s annual conference will take place Oct. 10 through 13 at the historic Madison Hotel in Washington, D.C. This year’s conference will feature the awarding of the 2002 J. William Fulbright Prize for International Understanding. The Madison Hotel is located in the heart of Washington, D.C., just minutes from the major landmarks of the capital. Conference attendees are eligible for a special room rate of $125 per night. To make reservations, please call (202) 862-1740 or (800) 424-8577 and be sure to identify your affiliation with the Fulbright Association (code FAC210A).

Complete information on the conference will be sent out to all Fulbright Association members and will be posted on the Association’s web site at www.fulbright.org.

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He is former president of the Fulbright Association's Western New York Chapter. An avid trumpet player, Dr. Lundquist tours with the band Independence Jazz Reunion.

Kirsten J. Aoyama

As director of the Center for International Business Education and Research (CIBER) at the University of Washington, Kirsten J. Aoyama manages more than 60 programs with U.S. Department of Education support. Previously, she worked in international marketing at URS Corporation for clients in Asia, Europe, and the Middle East. At Seattle-Tacoma International Airport, she developed international air service and led an entrepreneurial effort to market airport operations and management expertise worldwide. Ms. Aoyama, who speaks Japanese, did a Fulbright grant in Sendai, Japan, where she conducted research on a 17th century feudal lord's attempt to internationalize. Ms. Aoyama received a master's degree in Japanese studies from the University of Washington's Jackson School of International Studies and a bachelor's degree in Asian studies from Tufts University. She is president of the Fulbright Association's Greater Puget Sound Chapter.

William A. Bassett, dean of faculty at St. Paul's School in Baltimore, graduated with a bachelor's degree in zoology from the University of North Carolina in 1968 and then taught biology at the secondary school level. He came to St. Paul's in 1975 to create an advanced biology program. He has a master's degree in business administration from Loyola College and a master's degree in education from the Johns Hopkins University. He continues to teach biology at St. Paul's and to oversee the professional development of its 120 faculty members, encouraging various international experiences for his faculty, including three recent Fulbright teacher exchanges. Mr. Bassett participated in a full-year Fulbright teacher exchange at the International School of London in 1976. He currently chairs the Baltimore Regional Fulbright Teacher Exchange Interviewing Committee.

Terri Brooks

Director of marketing and development at APS International, Terri Brooks received her bachelor's degree from the University of Wisconsin-Madison and her master's degree from St. John's College, Annapolis, Md., and Santa Fe, N.M. She received a Fulbright grant in 1988 to study the press in India. Ms. Brooks was president of Brooks New Media, in Scarsdale, N.Y., which provided Web-related services. Ms. Brooks served as dean of Penn State University's College of Communications, the largest in the United States, from 1992 to 1999. From 1986 to 1992, she served as chair of the Department of Journalism and Mass Communications at New York University. She was a journalist and has written three nonfiction books, the most recent of which is Words Worth: A Handbook on Writing and Selling Nonfiction. Her articles have appeared in various publications, including The New York Times, The Chicago Tribune, Columbia Journalism Review, Harper's, and BoFook.

Tom Cole

As president of Cole, Hargrave, Snodgrass, and Associates, Tom Cole leads a nationally recognized survey research, political consulting, and government affairs company. He has twice directed GOP national conventions, serving as chief of staff at the Republican National Committee (1999-2000) and executive director of the National Republican Congressional Committee (1991-92). Dr. Cole served as both a state senator and secretary of state in his home state of Oklahoma. He currently spends half his time in Washington, D.C., as a senior political advisor to the U.S. Chamber of Commerce. A former college instructor in history and politics, he was a Fulbright scholar affiliated with the University of London (1977-78). He holds a bachelor's degree from Grinnell College, a master's degree from Yale University, and a doctorate from the University of Oklahoma. Dr. Cole is an enrolled member of the Chickasaw nation.

Salil Mehta

As senior vice president, strategic planning and development, Salil K. Mehta leads the Walt Disney Company's efforts to build distribution businesses that exploit the range of new digital technologies, including the Internet. Prior to that, he spearheaded strategic development of the company's studio and broadcasting businesses across the world, including the rollout of the Disney Channels in Europe and Asia and the launch of new cable services in the United States. Before joining Disney in 1994, Mr. Mehta worked for the Boston Consulting Group in New York. He holds a master of business administration degree in finance from the Wharton School and a bachelor's degree in international relations from Brown University. He was awarded a Fulbright grant to India in 1986 to study international political economy at the Delhi School of Economics. •

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Fulbright New Century Scholars to Seek Solutions to Sectarian, Ethnic, and Cultural Conflict

Thirty top academics and professionals from around the world will collaborate to work together to identify the causes and possible solutions for sectarian, ethnic, and cultural conflict during the second year of the Fulbright New Century Scholars program.

Sponsored by the U.S. Department of State, the New Century Scholars program seeks to engage experts of different nationalities in collaborative research on important transnational issues. One third of the scholars are from the United States and the rest from other countries.

The theme for the 2002-03 effort is “Addressing Sectarian, Ethnic, and Cultural Conflict Within and Across National Borders.” This theme is open to academics and professionals from a variety of disciplines.

The deadline for applying is Oct. 1. Proposals may be in any area of the social sciences, history, public administration, public policy, law, media, and comparative religious studies. Interdisciplinary proposals are especially encouraged.

Edward Tiryakian, professor of sociology at Duke University, has been named new century scholar distinguished leader to direct the program. He will work internationally for his contributions in several fields of sociology, his prolific scholarship encompasses the history of sociology, sociology of development, sociology of religion, and nationalism and ethnicity.

An alumnus of the Fulbright program, Dr. Tiryakian received his doctorate from Harvard University and held faculty positions at Princeton and Harvard before joining the Sociology Department at Duke, where he has served as departmental chair and as director of international studies. He has held visiting professorships at Freie Universität Berlin, at the Institut d’Études Politiques in Paris, and at the Sorbonne.

“We are in great need of innovative conceptual and comparative work to examine religious, cultural, and ethnic dimensions of civil conflict,” Dr. Tiryakian explains. “To understand and assess how these components interact with each other to generate or to reduce serious conflicts within or between societies and regions calls for considerable collaborative effort.”

Examples of issues the scholars may examine, he notes, include:

- Cross-border ethnic identity and diaspora
- Religious nationalism and religious pluralism
- Clashing values of tradition and modernity
- Emigration and immigration as factors in multiculturalism
- Effects of refugee settlement on the creation of new civil societies
- Stateless nations

“Ultimately,” he adds, “we hope that the New Century Scholars program will provide informed assessments that will help internationally for his contributions in several fields of sociology, his prolific scholarship encompasses the history of sociology, sociology of development, sociology of religion, and nationalism and ethnicity.

The New Century Scholars program is administered by the Council for International Exchange of Scholars (CIES). For information, consult the CIES web site at www.cies.org/ncs or contact Dr. Micaela Iovine, senior program officer. Phone: 202-686-6253; E-mail: miovine@cies.iic.org.

Fulbright Alumni Receive Awards

Faculty members from around the United States have received awards under the Fulbright Scholar Alumni Initiatives Awards program to continue work and partnerships began while they were on their original Fulbright grants.

Dr. Overby, a Fulbright scholar alumnus who went abroad between 1997 and 2000 applied. Winning projects ranged from collaborative efforts and joint curriculum development in international environmental science and policy, public health, and applied ecology to the creation of an electronic seminar on comparative European and American politics. Grant amounts ranged from $7,940 to $20,000.

Grantees come from a diverse group of small and large, public and private universities. Their projects will link their home institutions with overseas universities in Argentina, Austria, Belarus, Botswana, China, France, Germany, India, Jordan, Mexico, Romania, Russia, South Africa, Tanzania, Thailand, Venezuela, and the West Bank.

The New Century Initiatives Awards program, in its second year, is designed to build on the strengths of the 55-year-old Fulbright scholar program, one of the U.S. government’s flagship international exchanges.

The Alumni Initiatives Awards program is funded by the U.S. State Department’s Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs (ECA) and the Institute of International Education.

The Council for International Exchange of Scholars, a division of IIE, administers the Alumni Achievement Awards program. More information on the awards and grantees is available at www.cies.org.

Cultural Bridges Act of 2002 Introduced in Senate

Senators Edward Kennedy (D-MA) and Richard Lugar (R-IN) introduced the Cultural Bridges Act of 2002 on May 10. The proposal, which enjoys bipartisan co-sponsorship, is designed to increase significantly U.S. exchange programs with predominantly Muslim nations.

The Cultural Bridges Act of 2002 would authorize $55 million annually through 2007 for educational and cultural exchange programs with the Islamic world.

Of that total, $20 million would support a new youth exchange program based on the model of the Future Leaders Exchange Program (FLEX) that has operated successfully in the former Soviet Union.

The bill directs the State Department’s Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs to use the balance of funds authorized for existing programs or for new programs that would further mutual understanding with the Muslim world.

In his introductory remarks, Senator Lugar said that the Administration has reviewed the legislation and indicated its support pending the allocation of necessary resources.

The Cultural Bridges Act, which has a long history of engagement with nations with significant Muslim populations, would likely benefit if funds were appropriated. There are now full Fulbright exchanges between the United States and Algeria, Bahrain, Bangladesh, Bosnia, Egypt, the Gulf States, Indonesia, Jordan, Kuwait, Lebanon, Malaysia, Morocco, Nigeria, Saudi Arabia, Senegal, Syria, Tunisia, Turkey, West Bank and Gaza, and Yemen.

The Fulbright Association would like to thank all those who contacted their senators in support of this proposal.

$70 Million Proposed for Exchanges with Islamic Countries

Bills have been introduced in both the House and Senate that would authorize $70 million for education and cultural exchanges with predominantly Muslim nations.

Of this amount, the Bush Administration has requested $35 million a year for two years to be spent on educational and cultural exchanges with predominantly Muslim nations. It is not yet apparent how these funds will be spent.

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Both House and Senate versions of the bill call for use of the increased funding to increase the number of Fulbright and Humphrey program awards in predominantly Muslim nations.

Also called for are the establishment of journalism programs, English language teaching programs, Sister City partnerships, short-term youth programs, and development of a library sciences exchange program for postgraduate students.

The House International Relations Committee has passed the Promotion of Freedom Act of 2002, H.R. 3969. The bill is currently awaiting consideration by the full House of Representatives. No action has been taken on the Senate version, S. 2458.

Five-Year Appropriations Work Continues

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Please remember to send copies of any advocacy message to the Fulbright Association national office. Doing so helps us to evaluate the effectiveness of our advocacy efforts.

Action alerts are also sent via the Fulbright Association listserv. To subscribe, please e-mail fulbright@fulbright.org.
Do you know that alumni of the Fulbright program include 30 Nobel laureates from seven countries or 40 Pulitzer Prize winners? Or that three Fulbright alumni are current heads of state? Or that the U.S. Ambassador to Afghanistan is a Fulbright alumnus? Fulbright alumni—whether public figures on a global stage or Afghanistan is a Fulbright alumnus? Pulitzer Prize winners? Or that three Bureau of Educational and Cultural Legacy of Leadership project of the Fulbright program to the public create a more peaceful, prosperous communities—build international understanding and mutual respect between the people of the United States and other countries and help create a more peaceful, prosperous world.

To communicate the value of the Fulbright program to the public here and abroad, the Fulbright Legacy of Leadership project of the Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs of the U.S. Department of State develops outreach programs that highlight Fulbrighters, making a difference in specific countries, geographic regions, and issue areas. The information is distributed to the J. William Fulbright Foreign Scholarship Board, U.S. Congress, Fulbright commissions, U.S. embassies, organizations that assist in the administration of the Fulbright program, the Fulbright Association and its chapters, the media, and others. The following list is excerpted from Legacy of Leadership: Fulbrighters in International Affairs, 2002. Project leader Rhonda Boris notes that the Fulbright Legacy of Leadership team welcomes inquiries from Fulbright Association chapters and from alumni interested in writing one-page profiles of Fulbrighters making a difference or in helping in other ways.

Contact Rhonda E. Boris, Office of Academic Exchange Programs, Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs, U.S. Department of State at rboris@pd.state.gov or (202) 401-2411.

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AFRICA

Cheikh Tidiane Gado - Senegal, Minister of Foreign Affairs Fulbright Fellow at Ohio State University, 1989-90

Pascal Kokora - Cote D’ Ivoire, Ambassador to the United States Fulbright Scholar at Georgetown University, 1985

Donald McConnell - USA, Ambassador to Eritrea Fulbright Fellow at the University of Freiberg, Germany, 1963-64

Mwesia Musambachime - Zambia, Permanent Representative to the United Nations Fulbright Scholar at Miami University of Ohio, 1984-85

THE AMERICAS

Andres Bianchi - Chile, Ambassador to the United States Fulbright Fellow at Yale University, 1959

Fernando Henrique Cardoso - Brazil, President of Brazil Fulbright Scholar at Columbia University, 1986

Jaime Darenblum - Costa Rica, Ambassador to the United States Fulbright Fellow at the Fletcher School of Law and Diplomacy, 1963-64

Alejandro Toledo - Peru, President of Peru Fulbright Scholar at Stanford University, 1984-85

Adolfo Zinser - Mexico, Permanent Representative to the United Nations Fulbright Fellow at Harvard University, 1977-78

EAST ASIA AND PACIFIC

Chan Heng Chee - Singapore, Ambassador to the United States Fulbright Fellow at Cornell University, 1964-65

Michael Green - USA, Director of Asian Affairs for Japan, U.S. National Security Council Fulbright Fellow at the University of Tokyo, 1987-88

Han Seung-SoO - Republic of Korea, President of the United Nations General Assembly for the 5th Session Fulbright Scholar at Harvard University, 1985-86

Francis J. Ricciardone - USA, Ambassador to the Philippines

Olara Otunnu - Uganda, United Nations Under Secretary-General and Special Representative of the Secretary-General for Children and Armed Conflict Fulbright Scholar at Harvard Law School, 1974

Fulbright Fellow at Trieste, Italy, 1973-74

Makmur Widodo - Indonesia, Director General for Multilateral Affairs, Ministry of Foreign Affairs Fulbright Fellow at Ohio University, 1978-79

EUROPE AND EURASIA

Wlodzimierz Cimoszewicz - Poland, Minister of Foreign Affairs Fulbright Scholar at Columbia University, 1980-81

Ivan Grdosec - Croatia, Ambassador to the United States Fulbright Scholar at Indiana University, 1992-93 and at Virginia Tech, 1999-2000

Przemyslaw Grudzinski - Poland, Ambassador to the United States Fulbright Scholar at Princeton University, 1988

Geza Jeszenszky - Hungary, Ambassador to the United States Fulbright Scholar at University of California, Santa Barbara, 1984-86

Mirjolub Labus - Yugoslavia, Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Foreign Trade Fulbright Fellow at Cornell University, 1983-84

Zlatko Lagumdzija - Bosnia and Herzegovina, Prime Minister and Minister of Foreign Affairs Fulbright Scholar at the University of Arizona, 1988-89

Avis Ronis - Latvia, Ambassador to the United States Fulbright Scholar at Columbia University, 1999-2000

O. Faruk Logoglu - Turkey, Ambassador to the United States Fulbright Fellow at Princeton University, 1967

Javier Solana - Spain, European Union High Representative for the Common Foreign and Security Policy Fulbright Fellow at the University of Virginia, 1966-67

NEAR EAST

Aicha Belbari - Morocco, Ambassador to the European Union Fulbright Scholar at Harvard University, 1994

Mohamed Benaissa - Morocco, Minister of Foreign Affairs and Cooperation Fulbright Fellow at the University of Minnesota, 1964

Ali Jassouli - Egypt, Minister of Youth Fulbright Scholar at Princeton University, 1980-81

Abdelkabi Hermassi - Tunisia, Minister of Culture Fulbright Fellow at the University of California Berkeley, 1971

SOUTH ASIA

Robert Patrick Finn - USA, Ambassador to Afghanistan Fulbright Scholar at Istanbul University, Turkey, 1976-77

Kul Chandra Gautam - Nepal, Deputy Executive Director of UNICEF Fulbright Fellow at Princeton University, 1968-60


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Tibetan Musician Released

Ngawang Choephel, who studied ethnomusicology at Middlebury College in 1993 and 1994 on a Fulbright-related program, arrived in Washington, D.C. in January for medical treatment after having served six and a half years of an 18-year prison sentence imposed by the Chinese government. Mr. Choephel was arrested in July 1995 in Shigatshe, Tibet, on allegations that he had been spying for the Tibetan government-in-exile while conducting research for a documentary on traditional Tibetan performing arts.

"First of all, I would like to say thank you to all the people who helped and worked so hard for my release," Mr. Choephel said in a statement issued Jan. 23. "I am very happy to be out of prison. I was grateful to all the Tibetans who shared their folk music with me in Tibet during my two months travel and even after my imprisonment."

According to Mr. Choephel, his intent in making the documentary was to preserve traditional Tibetan culture. In prison Mr. Choephel suffered from hepatitis, bronchitis, and other ailments. At 36 years old, he was known by fellow prisoners as the "Indian grandfather" because of his frail health.

In his statement, Mr. Choephel said, "My three primary concerns at the moment are my health, my mother, and my fellow Tibetan prisoners. I am especially grateful to the American government for all its support, and I thank the Chinese government for its ultimate response to the many appeals for my release. I sincerely hope that my release is the first of many more to come in the near future."
Chapter Events

The newly formed Missouri Chapter's inaugural event was a Victorian holiday reception held at the Saint Louis Art Museum. The evening included holiday choral music by the choir of Christ Church Cathedral and a private tour of the exhibition, Dickens Era Art.

New Jersey Chapter Secretary Regina Mezzi, Chapter President Antoniette Messina-Pagano, and Angus Gillespie.

Angus Kress Gillespie (Philippines 1987) presented "Remembering the Twin Towers" for a recent New Jersey Chapter program at Kean University. Dr. Gillespie is author of Twin Towers: The Life of New York City's World Trade Center and of Looking for America on the New Jersey Turnpike. He is professor of American studies at Rutgers University.

Visit Fulbrighter Samir Askali of Oman, Paul Revell Park Service ranger Bruce Harrison in minnesau costume, and Ann Beaton, member, Massachusetts Chapter board.

The Greater New York Chapter organized "Artists' Viewpoint: Double-Feature" at Pace University's Michael Schimmel Center for the Arts. The event featured Berlin and the Politics of Memory, a slide presentation by Linda Cunningham (Germany 1994), and Beyond Borders: Earth and Sky, paintings by Hilda Green Demsky (Netherlands 1992).

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The Western New York and Northwestern Pennsylvania Chapter held its Spring meeting at Buffalo State College. Frances Holmes, district director, Buffalo Office of the Immigration and Naturalization Service, spoke.

The Blue Ridge Virginia Chapter had its first meeting in early April at Virginia Tech. Members approved a slate of officers for the coming year. Some Fulbrighters drove 180 miles round trip to attend, and several had their Fulbright experience 40 years ago! After the business meeting, the members listened to Harriet Mayor Fulbright who spoke on "Globalization and Education" as a guest of the university's Graduate School.

Western New York and Northwestern Pennsylvania Chapter Board Members David Cook and Geoff Brazwell, President Ted Schwalbe, and Immediate Past President Keith Henderson.

Fulbright scholars listen to associate trainer Marc Claypool explain show horse training during a tour of the Jacob's Horse Farm in Northeast Ohio.

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CALIFORNIA

The University of California, Irvine formally launched the International Center for Writing and Translation in April. The center fosters writing, translation, and criticism in multilingual and international contexts. It supports writers, translators, and critics from around the world through short residencies and by bringing them together for readings, performances, lectures, and international conferences. The center also sponsors research activities and graduate fellowships in creative nonfiction and translation. It is a partner of the International Institute of Modern Letters in Las Vegas, Nev.

COLORADO

Mark S. Ferrara, a doctoral student in English literature at the University of Denver, was awarded a Fulbright teaching assistantship to teach English in Turkey. Mr. Ferrara will be affiliated with a Turkish university during his yearlong Fulbright grant. "[Turkey] is the home of the Hittites, the Anatolian city of Troy, the rise of the Persian Empire, the Macedonian Empire of Alexander the Great, the Byzantine Empire celebrated by the poet W.D. Yeats," said Mr. Ferrara. "It is clear to me that any person, like myself, who wants to teach Western literature must have a comprehensive understanding of this history.

CONNECTICUT

While in Beijing to celebrate the university’s 300th anniversary last year, Yale University President Richard Levin announced the establishment of the China Law Center at Yale. The center’s two principal missions are to increase understanding of China’s legal system and to support legal reform in China. The center sponsors research, hosts visiting scholars and other legal experts, and undertakes cooperative projects with legal experts in China on key legal reform issues.

DELAWARE

The University of Delaware hosted a group of 27 educators from northern France in June 2001. The visitors represented FORMASP, a consortium of university educators and administrators, as well as trade union and industry representatives. The French delegation participated in workshops offered by the university’s Institute for Transforming Undergraduate Education, which promotes educational reform through faculty development and course design.

ILLINOIS

Illinois Wesleyan University (IWU) recently acquired Pembroke College’s 16 historic stained glass windows which date to the mid-19th century. The windows, which have been placed in JWU’s new Ames Library, record the history of Pembroke College and its growth by featuring the armorial bearings of early masters, students, and benefactors. Pembroke College, a constituent part of Oxford University, is where Senator Fulbright studied as a Rhodes Scholar in the 1920s.

INDIANA

Eleven members of the University of Notre Dame Class of 2001 received Fulbright grants for study abroad. The Fulbright grantees are James F. Cosgrove (Chile), Abigail C. Gottschalk (Germany), Catherine C. Kearney (Lithuania), Daniel C. Matejek (Poland), Cassandra M. Melton (Mexico), Claire R. Sreeve (Australia), Roma-Kathleen C. Rodica (Philippines), Theresa M. Sexton (Austria), Vincent Slat (Poland), and John F. Wingerter and James A. Wisosek (both to Germany).

MASSACHUSETTS

The Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT) and the government of India established a one-year exploratory project to create the Media Laboratory Asia. The laboratory, staffed by project developers from India, visiting researchers from MIT, and participants from NGOs and industry partners, is designed to increase the college’s capability to host facilitated sessions of groups in conflict from throughout the world.

NEW MEXICO

Growing recognition of the value of alternative methods of resolving conflict, such as mediation, impelled United World College to create the Institute for Conflict Resolution. Housed in the renovated Montezuma Castle on campus, the institute plans to assemble a wide array of respected conflict resolution practitioners. The institute will focus on curriculum and program development designed to increase the college’s capability to host facilitated sessions of groups in conflict from throughout the world.

NEW YORK

Two Nazareth College students received Fulbright grants for the 2001-02 academic year. Kristine O’Loughlin taught English at a high school in Poitiers, France. Ms. O’Loughlin is completing her master’s in education and works as an English as a Second Language teacher for the Rochester City School District. Edward Thater, a 2001 graduate majoring in Spanish and German, taught English at a high school in Thuringia, Germany.

Pennsylvania

Franklin & Marshall College Assistant Professor of History Eric Zolov was awarded a Fulbright grant to Mexico for the 2001-02 academic year. Dr. Zolov conducted his research at the National Library in Mexico City and on the campus of the National University. His project, “Miracle of Miracles? Examining a Critical Juncture in Mexico’s Post-Revolutionary History, 1958-1963,” focuses on the impact of the 1959 Cuban revolution on Mexico.

Last year, the University of Scranton surpassed the centennial mark in number of Fulbright fellowships awarded to its students. Since 1972, 105 University of Scranton graduates have received Fulbright fellowships. The six 2001 grantees that brought Scranton above 100 are Erin Friel (Germany), Lisa Biaggiotti (Italy), Carol Gleeson (Paraguay), Maria Atzert (South Korea), Clifford McMurray (Germany), and Nicole Heron (Finland).
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U.S.-Japan Fulbright Exchanges: Celebrating 50 Years

On Sept. 20 and 21, Fulbrighters and friends in the Boston area and beyond will commemorate the 50th anniversary of U.S.-Japan Fulbright exchanges. In the evening of Sept. 20, there will be a concert at Harvard University’s Sanders Theater. All of the performers will be former Japanese Fulbrighters who have already launched their international careers.

This celebratory event is being organized by members of the Massachusetts Chapter of the Fulbright Association, the Consulate General of Japan in Boston, the Rockefeller Institute of Japanese Studies at Harvard University, the Japan Society of Boston, Harvard’s Program on U.S.-Japan Relations, the Japan-U.S. Educational Commission, the Boston Fulbright Committee, the}

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Fulbright Association Hosts 25th Anniversary

At its 2002 Lifetime Achievement Medal Dinner in March at Union Station in Washington, D.C., the Fulbright Association honored Fulbright alumni Jean-Pierre Garnier (USA 1974), Thomas R. Pickering (Australia 1956), and Ruth J. Simmons (France 1967, Germany 1981) for their distinguished careers, civic and cultural contributions, and exemplary commitments to creative leadership and liberal education.

Dr. Garnier is chief executive officer of GlaxoSmithKline, one of the world’s largest pharmaceutical companies. Ambassador Pickering, now senior vice president for international relations at The Boeing Company, held the personal rank of Career Ambassador, the highest in the U.S. Foreign Service. Dr. Simmons, president of Brown University, is the first African-American woman to lead an Ivy League institution.

Offering tributes were Ambassador Donald F. McHenry for Dr. Garnier and Congresswoman Jane Harman for Dr. Simmons. Ambassador McHenry also honored Ambassador Pickering, when emergency prevented Strobe Talbott from doing so.

Guests celebrated the Fulbright Association’s 25 years of service to the Fulbright program. Renowned actor Edward Herrmann (England 1968) presented a reading of Senator J. William Fulbright’s words. Conductor J. Reilly Lewis (Germany 1969) led the Washington Bach Consort to open the program. ABC News Correspondent Jim Sciutto (Hong Kong 1993) served as master of ceremonies, and harpist Julia Scott (Ecuador 1985) provided dinner music.


Fulbright Association President Richard O. Lundquist welcomes guests and honorees.

Master of Ceremonies Jim Sciutto.

Fulbright Association President and Chapter Services Linda Chapman with Nigerian Fulbrighter Isha Sadiq.

Harriet Mayor Fulbright and Hilge Hurford.

Fulbright Lifetime Achievement Medal recipients Thomas R. Pickering (Australia 1956), Ruth J. Simmons (France 1967, Germany 1981), and Jean-Pierre Garnier (USA 1974).
Jean-Pierre Garnier Recalls Fulbright Preparation

Thank you very much, Don, for this flattering introduction. I thank you, my wife thanks you, and my mother affectionately thanks you.

It was very nice to mention the effort we do at GlaxoSmithKline on the philanthropic side. I can’t pass, before I receive this award, to let you know that we run the largest philanthropic event ever undertaken by private business—and that’s a quote from a journalist—to eliminate a disease in the poor countries of this world called lymphatic filariasis, which affects two billion people. This is a billion dollar commitment for 20 years. We are in our fifth year, and we have immunized over 18 million people who will never catch this disease because of one of our drugs. So we do a lot of good things.

But looking at this elegant room and this prestigious audience, it makes me feel a little bit like the corpse at the Irish wake. You need me to have your pardon, you don’t expect me to say very much, and I won’t. I did want to take advantage of this tremendous evening to thank the Fulbright for their wisdom to select me, first of all, but also for something that happened, for something that happened 30 years ago.

Thirty years ago, I was a student in Europe, and I was trying to come to America. And I was accepted by a number of universities, and I didn’t have the money to do it. So I looked for a scholarship, and I found Fulbright.

Because I got to talk to people from all walks of life, from various parts of the country. And slowly but surely, I fell in love with America. And I had never been there. But the richness, the variety, the diversity really caught my eye, and I couldn’t wait to go. I was very self-conscious about the way I sounded. I felt I had a very strong accent. But that was taken care of because one day I invited this kid from South Jersey, and I knew I would be fine.

So I did get the scholarship, and the rest was, was very easy. It opened so many doors. I got to study on the West Coast, and the rest was very rewarding. But sometimes I go back to Paris and I meet some of my old friends, who would qualify as intellectuals from Paris. And they still don’t get it. Thirty years later, they still don’t believe that there’s a Frenchman who could have lived in Paris and decided to live in Philadelphia instead of Paris. And they still don’t get it.

So they kind of challenge me all the time and they say, but J.P. “the culture, the culture.” Some of you who don’t understand French—the culture, the culture. So I tell them well, you know, they do believe, actually this is ironic, because those are the same people who think Jerry Lewis is in Paris, so you know, you can’t take it too seriously! So in any case, when they talk to me about the culture, they really believe that the ultimate cultural icon in America is Mickey Mouse. And I’ve lived here 20 years, and I now know the truth. It’s not Mickey Mouse. It’s Elvis. Good night.

Thomas Pickering Endorses Expanded Fulbright Program

Ladies and gentlemen, and friends, harriet Mayor Fulbright, Elizabeth Fulbright Wimberly, and all of the others who are present tonight, let me begin by thanking you most sincerely for the very high honor you do me. I’m pleased and proud to be here tonight. And only in Washington could a crowd of this size gather in premises equally elegant, all in a railroad station.

I want to thank Strobe, who had hoped very much to be here and was taken at the last minute to the hospital to undergo what we all hope will be effective surgery, and I know you join me in wishing him speedy and happy recovery, and thank him for the fulsome encomiums which, if only half true, would be over flattering. Thanks, too, to my old friend Don McHenry, for stepping in at the last moment and being willing to read, in such a wonderful way, what Strobe had written.

I’ve been honored twice in my life, in ways that mean a great deal to me, by the Fulbright program. Tonight, and once 48 years ago, when I left as a student for a year in Australia, a year that made a great deal of difference to me and my career and in my understanding of the world and how it works.

Everywhere that I served subsequently, as an American diplomat, it was fortunate to find graduates of the Fulbright program in positions great and small, who harbored universally a wonderful memory of their stay in the United States and were great advocates of the effectiveness of Senator Fulbright’s dream and vision.

And indeed, he was a great ambassador and a great legislator, and as we heard a few minutes ago, had the wisdom to take the debts of our allies, left over from the Second World War, and unpayable in hard currency in 1945, and turn them into soft-currency-supported exchanges of students and professors and researchers for the mutual benefit of all of us and for the mutual benefit of all of our countries. That great dream has prospered many new and valuable imitations, but it remains the preeminent program of the United States in bringing people, cultures, languages, ideas, and understanding together.

As someone who has long followed the program and had the benefit of knowing that in countries where I represented the United States the Fulbright program was a preeminent part of the armamentarium of our foreign policy. In one country where I served, a new idea emerged, which I believe deserves emulation and repetition. A number of individuals got together and began a process slowly, but I think effectively, of endowing the Fulbright program, a portion of it, at least, under the administration of the Boeing Company.

I notice that more than 140 countries are now involved in the Fulbright program. And if I’m not mistaken, when Switzerland joins the United Nations, there will be 190 members of that organization, representing, practically speaking, all of the countries of the world. And so, as we go ahead, I hope that the Congress and others will find new opportunities, even if it is only a small exchange, to find ways to broaden the program by building toward that 190 goal, which I believe will be one more important milestone in creating a lasting memory of Senator Fulbright and his marvelous contribution to this country, to its foreign relations, to international peace, and to understanding.

Again, thank you for honoring me tonight. It means a great deal to me and to my family and to my friends. And I appreciate that particularly on this important 25th anniversary, you were kind enough and generous enough to select me to be among the awardees. Please let me also congratulate my fellow recipients on the honor that you have done us all.

Thank you very much.
Ruth Simmons Stresses Importance of Foreign Study for All

Members of the Fulbright Association Board, my good friend Jane Harman, members of the Tribute and Congressional Committees, and my fellow honorees, Ambassador Pickering and Dr. Garnier, I am very honored to be with you tonight.

I just want to say how grateful I am to my colleagues from Goldman Sachs and from Pfizer for supporting this event. I think it is one of the most important things you could ever do. Thank you.

In 1967, when I was named a Fulbright scholar, I didn't know what it would mean to carry with me the name of this distinguished fellowship. In those days when our country is at war, when the principles of our democracy are under attack, and the lines drawn between nationalism and patriotism are somewhat blurred, I couldn't be prouder to carry with me a name that has stood for clarity and peace and world understanding, for self-sacrifice over personal gain, and for patriotism in its richest and most nuanced meaning, in the context of world leadership and education, diplomacy, and good citizenship. I also couldn't have imagined at that time what it would mean for me to have enriched my life personally through the Fulbright program.

As a child growing up in the segregated South, the world I knew was circumscribed by a set of limitations that seemed to me as a child insurmountable. It was a life shaped by economic deprivation, of course, and exploitation, as well as social and political turmoil. We were helped to understand the chaos that surrounded us better through the exploration of distant times and faraway cultures. Looking beyond our own immediate circumstances to those of peoples far distant we could somehow finally come to understand the potency and promise of this unique land of ours. The Fulbright experience helped me understand what was happening in my country, as well as how other peoples around the world struggled with freedom. That wonderful skill of the medium of my education as a child, and it was what later drew me to the world of academia, which seems also to reveal so well, at a comfortable distance, the full array of mankind's folly and promise.

At its best, education should always provide that kind of ventriloquism, offering us insight into our real world through distant voices reflecting indirectly and unknowingly on what is close at hand. It seemed improbable that I would ever experience fully the lands that opened to me through foreign study. But through the Fulbright program, I was offered a chance to imagine new possibilities, a wealth of hope, a wealth of knowledge, a wealth of opportunity, a wealth of understanding. Through my travel and study, I was able to understand my personal potential and the ways in which I could contribute to society.

We live in a time today when the ability to see beyond our own world is essential to health and survival. Senator Fulbright understood that this day was coming. It is our obligation to take up his call for international understanding and to afford others the opportunities that have been made available to us, and as I always must insist, and as I say frequently, foreign study must not simply be the province of the elite. It is for young people everywhere, whose economic circumstances limit contact with different cultures and lands.

I continue to hope for an expansion of this program so that more students can have the opportunity for improved understanding of the world they live in. Every person who aspires to be a leader today should live in a different country. What hope there is for reduced conflict and global cooperation lies in first-hand knowledge of the vast cultural variegations that mark our future.

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Books & Publications

Nadia M. Christensen (Chile 1965) translated from Norwegian to English Dina's Son, published by Random House/Transworld in London. The work is the second novel in a trilogy by Hjerborg Wassen, one of Norway's foremost contemporary authors. Dr. Christensen also translated the first book in the trilogy, made into the movie "I Am Dina," starring Gerard Depardieu. Dr. Christensen directs International Partners at Augsburg College in Minneapolis.

Alfred Maurice de Zayas (Germany 1971) has written Heimatrecht is Menschenrecht. Der Mithandel Weg zu Anerkennung und Verwirklichung, published in Munich. Dr. de Zayas is senior human rights officer of the United Nations Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights.

Philip R. Harris (India 1962) is one of four authors of Multicultural Law Enforcement: Strategies for Peacekeeping in a Diverse Society. Second Edition published this year by Prentice Hall. Dr. Harris recently delivered papers on culture and business at meetings in Cyprus and at the Vatican.

Fulbright Alumni

Corporate Finance, Fifth Edition, released last year by Blackwell Publishers. Dr. Kim, a life member of the Fulbright Association, is a professor of finance at the University of Detroit Mercy.

Student member Mark Lenzi, while on a Fulbright in Lithuania, wrote "Europe's Armory for Terrorism," an op-ed piece published in the Jan. 3 issue of The Washington Post. The article concerned the role that the Baltic states play in arming terrorist and militant organizations in the Balkans, Central Asia, and Middle East.

Fulbright Alumni Achievements

Jacob Steigerwald (Germany 1977) has published Profile of an Americanized Danube Swabian Ethnically Cleansed Under Two. The author describes his life as a teenage refugee in Austria, Hungary, and Romania and his life in the United States after his arrival in 1951. Dr. Steigerwald is professor emeritus of foreign languages at Winona State University in Minnesota.

Exhibitions & Performances

Perspectives on Korean Dance by Judy Van Zile (India 1970, South Korea 1981) covers the history and practice of Korean dance and contains 43 color plates as well as black and white photographs. The book also examines the careers of several famous Korean dancers and explores Korean dance as it is manifested in Hawaii. Dr. Van Zile is professor of dance at the University of Hawaii at Manoa.

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Alfred Maurice de Zayas (Germany 1971) has written Heimatrecht is Menschenrecht. Der Mithandel Weg zu Anerkennung und Verwirklichung, published in Munich. Dr. de Zayas is senior human rights officer of the United Nations Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights.

Philip R. Harris (India 1962) is one of four authors of Multicultural Law Enforcement: Strategies for Peacekeeping in a Diverse Society. Second Edition published this year by Prentice Hall. Dr. Harris recently delivered papers on culture and business at meetings in Cyprus and at the Vatican.

Fulbright Alumni

Corporate Finance, Fifth Edition, released last year by Blackwell Publishers. Dr. Kim, a life member of the Fulbright Association, is a professor of finance at the University of Detroit Mercy.

Student member Mark Lenzi, while on a Fulbright in Lithuania, wrote "Europe's Armory for Terrorism," an op-ed piece published in the Jan. 3 issue of The Washington Post. The article concerned the role that the Baltic states play in arming terrorist and militant organizations in the Balkans, Central Asia, and Middle East.

Fulbright Alumni Achievements

Jacob Steigerwald (Germany 1977) has published Profile of an Americanized Danube Swabian Ethnically Cleansed Under Two. The author describes his life as a teenage refugee in Austria, Hungary, and Romania and his life in the United States after his arrival in 1951. Dr. Steigerwald is professor emeritus of foreign languages at Winona State University in Minnesota.

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University's Brooklyn Campus in New York.

Last fall, the Galeria Instituto Cultural Peruano Norteamericano in Lima held a one-person exhibition of photography by Joseph Vitone (Costa Rica 2001). Mr. Vitone is professor of photocommunications at St. Edward's University in Austin, Texas.

**Lectures**

Prof. VJ. Gunnar Adler-Karlsön (USA 1998) delivered the speech “Evil or Biological Tragedy? An Attempt at Global Empathy” last November at the University of Uppsala in Sweden. He has also written Meditations on Western Wisdom, published by the Capri Institute, which he directs. Prof. Adler-Karlsön is a life member of the Fulbright Association.

The DePaul Geographical Society’s 41st annual lecture series concluded June 1 with a program on the Southeastern United States. Richard J. Houk (Portugal 1967) founded the series of ten monthly lectures to extend the geographic horizons of the public and of DePaul University staff and students. The program is the only U.S. university department-based geography lecture series. Dr. Houk, professor emeritus of geography at DePaul, moderates the lecture series, whose 2001-02 season included presentations on the Spice Trail, preservation of endangered species, and the Silk Road. Dr. Houk served as a member of the Fulbright Association’s Board of Directors from 1978 to 1981.

Morton L. Wallach (France 1959) recently presented PEL Associates 2002 awards in pure and polymer chemistry. The applied polymer chemistry honor was awarded to Dr. M. Cardillo and Dr. A. Harris of Lucent Technologies. Prof. H. Ishida of Case Western Reserve University received the pure polymer chemistry award. Dr. Wallach is president and CEO of PEL Associates.

**Honor & Appointments**

The Institute for Advanced Study in Princeton, N.J., has appointed William J. Connell (Italy 1985) a member for the 2002-03 academic year. He will study relations between Northern Italian and Southern German cities at the time of the Catholic and Protestant reform movements. Dr. Connell is associate professor of history and holder of the Joseph M. and Geraldine C. La Motto Chair for Italian Studies at Emory University. Dr. Connell is a life member of the Fulbright Association.

Fulbright Association life member James Dashow (Italy 1969) was awarded the Premio Magistrale at the 27th Concours International de Musique et d’Art Contemporain. Mr. Dashow, a非常明显 musician, is professor of engineering at North Carolina State University. The University of Liege in Belgium has appointed Gary J. Long (Belgium 1993) the International Franqui Chair for the 2002-03 academic year. Six Belgian universities supported Dr. Long’s nomination, which was based on his achievements in Mossbauer spectroscopy. Dr. Long is professor of chemistry at the University of Missouri-Rolla.

The President of the Republic of Finland conferred the insignia of the Commander of the Order of the Lion of Finland, the country’s highest civilian award, on John Niemi (Finland 1981). Finnish Ambassador Jaakko Laajava presented the decoration to Dr. Niemi in a ceremony in April in Chicago. Dr. Niemi, a distinguished teaching professor in adult continuing education at Northern Illinois University, is professor of communication among nations. Dr. Peterson, professor emeritus of history at University of Hawaii, is now affiliated with Oregon State University. The American Biographical Institute has also named Dr. Peterson an ABI World Laureate. Dr. Peterson, a life member of the Fulbright Association, founded the Association’s Hawaii Chapter. She served as editor-in-chief of the volume Notable Women of China: Shang Dynasty to the Early Twentieth Century published by the University of Hawaii Press.

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Sooroe Electroacoustics in Bourges, France. Chosen for the prize are composers who have been working in the field for more than 20 years and whose music is considered of seminal importance in the evolution of electroacoustic music. Dr. Dashow is only the second American to receive this recognition and the first one working in Italy to do so.

**Seeking Fulbrighters!**

Do you know of... colleagues, relatives, friends, or other individuals who would be interested in becoming members of the Fulbright Association? If so, please contact Marshall Ellis, membership coordinator (e-mail: marshall.ellis@fulbright.org). Or refer them to our web site at www.fulbright.org for further information on Association membership and activities.

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**Job Changes**

Mark S. Ellis (Yugoslavia 1985, 1993) became executive director of the International Bar Association last year, after leaving the American Bar Association’s Central and East European Law Initiative (CEELI) for ten years. Mr. Ellis is the first lawyer and the first non-British citizen to hold the post at the London-based association which has 178 member organizations and 16,000 individual members in 183 countries.

Donald W. Garner (European Union 2000) was named an associate with the firm of Kaplan, Migma & von Ohlen in Chicago. Mr. Garner, who speaks French, German, Italian, and Spanish, received his L.L.M. in international law from the Katholieke Universiteit in Leuven, Belgium. He focuses on commercial and aviation litigation.

**An Attempt at Global Empathy**

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Music Creation in Athens, Ga.

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body, and spirit. In addition to offering low-cost, soundproof practice space, performance areas, a coffee bar, career workshops, and music lessons, Nuq’s also offers mental health services to troubled musicians. Panelists Linda Phillips, founder of Nuq’s Space, Jay Markwalker, manager of the band Stuart & Winfield, Kevin O’Neil, manager of R.E.M., and Bob Sleppy, executive director of Nuq’s Space, focused their discussion on mental health issues that affect musicians.

Lunch, catered by Weaver D’s, exposed the visiting Fulbrighters to traditional Southern foods, such as fried chicken, collard greens, mashed potatoes, sweet iced tea, and apple cobbler. It also provided another musical connection. Weaver D’s restaurant near downtown Athens is frequented by many nationally known artists such as Widespread Panic, Love Tractor, Drivein’ ‘n’ Cryin’, and R.E.M. The B-52s have even had food from Weaver D’s specially flown to Reno, Nevada, while performing there. The name for R.E.M.’s album “Automatic for the People” is based on a saying that Weaver D frequently uses. Morton Theater, a renovated theater known for its African-American vaudeville performances, was the next stop on the group’s trip. While there, several of the visiting Fulbrighters had the opportunity to get up on stage to show off their musical and dancing talents.

The afternoon brought the Fulbrighters back to Town and Gown for a panel discussion on the history of music in Athens and the role booking agents play for the oldest clubs in town. On the panel were Yelena Vego, manager of 40 Watt Club, Ballad Lesemann, music editor for Flagpole Magazine, and Jeff Montgomery, founder of AthensMusic.com. For the diehards, a trip to the 40 Watt Club ended the long day. The Club supports local bands and has hosted acts such as Neutral Milk Hotel, Elf Power, Olivia Tremor Control, and Japancakes. National acts to have performed at the 40 Watt Club include Nirvana, Black Crowes, R.E.M., Pylon, Pavement, Sebadoh, Junior Brown, Sugar, and Cheap Trick.

The event was a hit with chapter members and visiting Fulbrighters. Hans Verheij, a visiting Fulbright scholar at Georgia Tech, immediately created a web page and put up a schedule and photos from the event (http://athens.selectarchitect.com/). E-mails soon poured in from many of the participants.

"Holger and I would like to thank you so much for a wonderful day. We had a great time. It was so much fun to see Athens from a different angle. We very much enjoyed the panels, the music, and of course, the food. We really appreciate the time and effort you spent in organizing this unique day for us," wrote Berit Wilker (Germany).

"Rui and I enjoyed yesterday’s activities tremendously. On our way back home, Rui said to me that she really thinks all the Fulbrighters she met yesterday really live up to this prestigious scholarship, they are not only intelligent but also very open, nice and interested in other people and other cultures," wrote Sofia Zhang (South Korea).