Calendar of Events

Lectures & panels

- **The Damascus Spring: Syria’s Struggle for Democracy**
  Radwan Ziadeh, Executive Director of the Syrian Center for Political & Strategic Studies
  Wednesday, September 21, 7pm, Smith Memorial Student Union (SMSU)
  Browsing Lounge, room 238, 1825 SW Broadway, Portland
  Co-sponsored with the World Affairs Council of Oregon

- **Iraq Today**
  Bridget Guurascli, University of Michigan
  & Yasmeen Hanooosh, Portland State University
  Monday, October 17, 7pm
  Co-sponsored with the Portland Center for Public Humanities

- **Architectural History as Told by Transformations**
  Nicola Camerlenghi, Assistant Professor of Art History, University of Oregon
  Friday, October 28

- **Post-Colonial Criticism and Muslim-Christian Relations in the Late Ottoman Empire: the Case of Smyrna/Izmir**
  Stephen J. Shoemaker, Associate Professor of Religious Studies, University of Oregon
  Friday, November 4

- **Post-Colonial Criticism and Muslim-Christian Relations in the Late Ottoman Empire: the Case of Smyrna/Izmir**
  Vangelis Kechriotis, Assistant Professor of History, Bogazici University
  Monday, November 28, 7pm

Lunch & Learn

- **The Syrian Uprising: The Long Road to Democracy**
  Radwan Ziadeh, Executive Director of the Syrian Center for Political & Strategic Studies
  Wednesday, September 21, 12pm, University Club 1225 SW Sixth Avenue, $30, 35, 10
  Co-sponsored with the World Affairs Council of Oregon

- **Implications of the United Nations Vote on Palestinian Statehood**
  Lindsay Benstead, Assistant Professor of Political Science, Portland State University
  Thursday, November 10, 2011, 4:30 - 5:30 pm
  Lincoln Hall, room 75, Portland State University
  Co-sponsored with the World Affairs Council of Oregon

- **Iraq Today**
  Amer Zahr
  Sunday, October 24, 7pm, University Club 1225 SW Sixth Avenue, $30, 35, 10
  Co-sponsored with the World Affairs Council of Oregon

Film series

- **Out of Cordoba, 2010**
  A documentary about Averroes the Muslim and Maimonides the Jew, the two leading thinkers of Islamic Spain. The film explores the historical importance of these two “wise men of Cordoba,” as well as their contemporary impact on today’s Jews, Muslims, and Christians, and interfaith relations.
  Featuring a discussion with the film’s Director, Jacob Bender
  Saturday, September 24, 4pm
  Lincoln Hall, room 75, Portland State University
  Co-sponsored by the Muslim Educational Trust of America

- **Impacts of 9/11: The US & Afghanistan (WEBINAR)**
  Monday, September 26, 2011, 4:30 - 5:30 pm
  Please RSVP to Elisheva Cohen: e.cohen@pdx.edu | 503-725-4074

- **People, Power & Protest: Teaching About the Occupied Palestinian Territories**
  Thursday, October 6, 2011, 4:30 - 5:30 pm
  Please RSVP to Elisheva Cohen: e.cohen@pdx.edu | 503-725-4074

Other events

- **Resource Library Open House**
  Tuesday, September 20, 5 - 6:30pm, East Hall, room 121, 632 SW Hall Street

- **Second Annual Arab Festival - Mahrajan!**
  Sunday, September 25, 11am - 5pm, Fulton Community Center, 68 SW Miles, $5
  Co-sponsored with Arab American Cultural Center of Oregon

- **Vertigo Dance Company presents Mana, Vessel of Light**
  Thursday - Saturday, October 13-15, 7:30 pm, Newmark Theatre, 1111 SW Broadway
  Co-sponsored with White Bird Dance

- **Live in Concert: Palestinian Hip Hop Artist DAM**
  Friday, November 4, 9pm, SMSU, rooms 296 & 298
  Co-sponsored by Lincoln High School and the Portland State University Arab Persian Student Organization and Students United for Palestinian Equal Rights

Workshops

- **Film series**

- **Resource Library Orientation (WEBINAR)**
  Thursday, September 22, 2011, 7 - 8pm
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All events are free and open to the public except where indicated.

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