Lectures & Panels

Tutankhamun’s Last Secret
Nicholas Reeves, Lila Acheson Wallace Associate Curator in the Department of Egyptian Art, The Metropolitan Museum of Art
Thursday, October 4, 7:30 pm, Smith Memorial Student Union, room 238, 1825 SW Broadway
Co-sponsored with the Oregon Chapter of the American Research Center in Egypt

Gulf Cities: From Pearls to FIFA: A Narrative of Doha's Budding Architecture & Urbanism
Ali A. Alraouf, Prof. of Architecture, Urbanism & Planning Theories, Qatar University
Monday, October 8, 7 pm, Smith Memorial Student Union, room 294, 1825 SW Broadway

Panel Discussion: Memoirs of a Mujahed & Thoughts on Algeria Today
Hamou Amirouche, author, Akfadou: Un An Avec le Colonel Amirouche; Lindsay Benstead, Assistant Professor of Political Science, Portland State University; & Nabil Boudraaa, Associate Professor of French and Francophone Studies, Oregon State University
Thursday, October 25, 7 pm, Smith Memorial Student Union, room 294, 1825 SW Broadway
Co-sponsored with the Portland Center for Public Humanities

Workshops

Global Education Through Film: Sport in the Middle East
Friday, October 12, 8:30 am, Stephen Epler Hall, 1136 sw Montgomery
Optional credit available through the Portland State University Graduate School of Education
To register, please contact Elisheva Cohen: e.cohen@pdx.edu | 503-725-5054

Information Session: Middle East Education Abroad and Foreign Language & Area Studies (FLAS) Fellowships *
Wednesday, October 17, 1:30 pm, East Hall, room 109, 632 SW Hall
Open to Portland State University students, faculty & staff

Lunch & Learn

This midday brownbag series provides an opportunity for the campus community to learn more about the Middle East through informal presentations and discussions with scholars and experts. These conversations provide a forum for the community to engage in thoughtful dialogue about the region, ask questions, and share their opinions.

Gulf Cities: Sidewalk Stories: Informal Urbanism in Dubai
Yasser Elshehstawy, Associate Professor at the United Arab Emirates University, Department of Architectural Engineering
Friday, October 5, 12:30 pm, East Hall, room 109, 632 SW Hall

Arab Israeli Conflict & Cooperation: The Question of Water
Aaron Wolf, Professor of Geography, Oregon State University College of Earth, Ocean & Atmospheric Sciences
Thursday, October 18, 12 n, East Hall, room 109, 632 SW Hall

(Post-)Revolution Tunisia
Mohamed Daoud, Professor of Applied Linguistics, Institut Supérieur des Langues de Tunis
Thursday, November 15, 12 n, East Hall, room 109, 632 SW Hall

Film Series:

Sport in the Middle East

Offside (Iran, 2006)
Friday, October 12, 7 pm
Smith Memorial Student Union, room 294
1825 SW Broadway
Who is that strange boy sitting quietly in the corner of a bus full of screaming fans going to the football match? In fact this shy boy is a girl in disguise. She is not alone, women also love football in Iran.
Before the game begins, she is arrested at the check point and put into a holding pen just by the stadium with a band of other women all dressed up as men. They will be handed over to the vice squad after the match. But before this, they will be tortured! They must endure every cheer, every shout of a game they cannot see. Worse yet, they must listen to the play-by-play account of a soldier who knows nothing about football. Yet these young girls just won’t give up. They use every trick in the book to see the match.
A smart comedy illustrating the fight for women’s rights in Iran.

In Persian with English subtitles

Forerunners (Israel, 2004)
Saturday, October 13, 7 pm
Smith Memorial Student Union, room 294
1825 SW Broadway
An Israeli documentary about three members of the national women’s soccer team, a Mizrachi Jew, an immigrant from the Ukraine, and a Christian Palestinian, which explores how struggles with family, society, and self build a positive team environment.

In Hebrew with English subtitles

All events are free & open to the public except *

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