

News Release

Tastes of India, Korea, and Brazil Featured During the 2015 International Dinners Series at U of M Crookston; Dinners will be held March 2, March 9, March 23, and April 1

By Elizabeth Tollefson on Tuesday, February 10, 2015 Enjoy a taste of the world without the travel expense at the annual International Dinners Series at the University of Minnesota Crookston. The 2015 series highlights the India, Korea and Brazil are scheduled for March 2, March 9, March 23, and April 1. All dinners begin at 6 p.m. in Bede Ballroom, Sargeant Student Center. For tickets and information, contact Rae French at 218-281-8339 (rfrench.umn.edu). Tickets are limited.

Series Tickets: Advanced tickets for the entire series for adults are \$60; Advanced tickets for the entire series for a child (12 and under) are \$50.00.

Individual Tickets: Individual tickets for adults are \$15 for the meals in March and \$20 for the final International Festival. Individual tickets for children are \$12.50 for each meal in March and \$15 for the final International Festival.

Monday, March 2, India - "Monsoon Musings" featuring Dr. Saravana Balaraman will be giving a presentation about monsoons in India and his wife, Gayathri, will be performing a dance, honoring little Krishna, an infant god. We plan to cook authentic Indian Cuisine.

Monday, March 9, Korea - "East Meets West from Business to Culture" featuring Sumin Gwak who will be speaking about the major differences between America and Korea. We will also feature Peter Park who will be singing with the Choir that evening. The menu for that night is bibimbap and some Korean favorites.

Monday, March 23, Brazil - "Mapping Brazil" featuring Gabriela Carneiro de Sousa is a Brazilian student who is hosting the event. Aline de Souza will speak about the unknown sides of Brazil and Livia de Avevedo Lopes will perform with the UMC music department. The meal will be a Brazilian Spread.

After the Month of March on Wednesday, April 1, the dinner series concludes with the Multicultural International Club's International Festival which will highlight cultural student talents such as dancing, singing, instruments and more. Food from four or five different countries will be featured along with displays beginning at 5 p.m.

The International Dinner Series is a longstanding tradition at the U of M, Crookston and highlights the culture and cuisine of selected countries annually. To learn more about international programs, visit www.umn.edu/international.

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