Tulane opens global doors with International Education Week 2024

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Starting Monday, Nov. 18, Tulane, along with campuses across the U.S., will be hosting <u>International Education Week 2024</u> (IEW), a celebration of international students, scholars, curriculum and research. Tulane's theme this year is "Displaced Identities, Postcolonial Legacies and Creating New Narratives." Spearheaded by <u>Tulane Global</u> in collaboration with over 15 schools and units across campus, IEW will feature a diverse lineup of events, including a keynote session by María Magdalena Campos-Pons, screenings of her short art film "<u>When We Gather</u>," Tulane's Language Day and Global Café.

"International Education Week is a time to reflect on our place in the world and how we can honor our international communities at Tulane, as well as Tulane's impactful research and teaching around the world," said Laila Hlass, associate provost for international affairs. "This year, we are grateful to host world-renowned Cuban-born artist María Magdalena Campos-Pons to think about how we tell our own stories and histories and how we come together as a community."

María Magdalena Campos-Pons, a prominent Cuban multidisciplinary artist and MacArthur "Genius" Fellow, will deliver the inaugural keynote session on Nov. 18 at 5:30 p.m. at the Woldenberg Art Center. She'll share insights from her work, which explores the complex intersections of memory, spirituality and identity, particularly as they relate to personal and collective histories in the Caribbean. Her artistic practice spans a wide range of mediums, including photography, performance, sculpture, drawing, painting and video. Through richly layered multimedia installations, she addresses themes of displacement, inequality and the entanglement of personal and global narratives. Tulanians and the New Orleans community are invited to be inspired by her reflections on how marginalized identities navigate colonial legacies and how communities come together to heal and be sustained. To attend the keynote session, you can <u>RSVP here</u>.

On Wednesday, Nov. 20, <u>Tulane's Language Day 2024</u> will take place from 2 to 4:30 p.m. at the Lavin-Bernick Center for University Life. Spearheaded by Tulane's Language Center and the School of Liberal Arts, which teaches more than 16 languages, Language Day promotes cultural exchange, fosters dialogue and enhances intercultural understanding. The cultural fest will feature an exciting lineup of activities, including international food, music and performances; games and activities; and tabling by Tulane organizations and units advancing international education locally and through study abroad.

The <u>IEW '24 website</u> lists the full calendar of events including Global Café, ongoing exhibitions celebrating <u>100 years of Latin American Studies at Tulane</u>, Fulbright panels and opportunities for funding international education and research, and many other initiatives recognizing Tulanians' global footprint.

Sponsors and collaborators for IEW 2024 include: Center for Global Education & Office of Study Abroad (NTC), Center for Public Service, Cuban and Caribbean

Studies Institute, Freeman Abroad, Fulbright Alumni Association, Language Learning Center (SLA), Newcomb Art Museum, Newcomb Institute, Office of Academic Affairs & Provost, Office of Equity, Diversity and Inclusion, Office of Fellowship Advising (NTC), Office of International Affairs (Tulane Global), Office of International Students & Scholars, School of Architecture, Tulane Law School, School of Liberal Arts, Celia Scott Weatherhead School of Public Health & Tropical Medicine, School of Science & Engineering, Stone Center for Latin American Studies, The Lavin-Bernick Center for University Life (LBC), and Tulane Interdisciplinary Environmental Research & Action Program (TIERA).