

APRIL 2011

## *Greetings from the Editor*

Hello, everyone

The spring semester has gone by fast, and we only have five more weeks until finals. As the semester is on its way, you are probably thinking about exciting activities to do in the summer and the next school year. You may plan to visit an exotic place on your travel list, join a new club on campus, or take a cool class like The Idea of Wine. What about becoming a mentor with our ISM program? Two weeks ago, ISM got started to plan for next year, which is exciting for all of us as we will welcome new students in the fall. The program has just been around for four years, but I be-

lieve its impacts on our international community have been far more than humble. Personally, my experiences with the program are valuable both as a mentee and as a mentor. The very first days at Puget Sound were exciting but nerve-wracking to me because of my then-broken English and inadequate social skills in a new environment; yet, I received great support and help from the program, especially from my mentor Christina Miller. That's why I want to get involved with the program and become a mentor this year. To be honest though, my mentee Nguyen Nguyen has picked up things very fast and knows her way

around campus and other things. She leaves me little work to do. I think the most meaningful thing about my ISM experience is that my mentor, mentee, and some other people have become good friends to me. I now can see how to build a home away from home through my support network.

As you prepare for next year, I recommend you to think about working with ISM and also to spread the words to your friends about this opportunity. Thanks for your support, and hope you will have a great April. Enjoy the sun when it's out.

Best,

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## *Note from Sally*

Yes, the semester is passing more rapidly than it ever has. I want to send special support to all of the students with families and friends in Japan. It is challenging for me to read about all the developments following the earth quake and tsunami thinking of all the friends I have made in my travels there over the past few years. I encourage everyone to do what you can, either personally or through a campus activity like supporting the bake sales, folding cranes, donating dining service points or joining some fund

raising effort in the community. I was in Portland last weekend and all the fancy food places donated cakes, cookies and breads beautifully wrapped and sold to raise funds for Japan Relief. My sister and I returned from the sale with our bags full and enjoyed the feeling of making a contribution as well as having tasty treats to eat.

Uyen made a great case for the value of joining the ISM program as a mentor. I add my invitation to hers. Check out the information about

applying on the next page.

And finally, thanks so much to each of you who joined us for the international student reception at the President's house last week. It was a great event and for me, it is a remarkable opportunity to hear stories about each of you that always make me appreciate the fact that you chose Puget Sound. I am deeply grateful to each of you for all the richness that you bring to the campus community and to me personally. We hope to see you next year! Sally



## Do you want to become a mentor?



International Student Mentors  
(ISM)

**WANTS YOU!**

If...

- You are keen on learning about cultures or sharing your international perspective.
- You like to gain first-person experience of life outside the U.S.
- You want to make a difference.

We are looking for students interested in mentoring and programming events for incoming international and third-culture students.

Becoming a mentor is an excellent way to support the international community on our campus.

Applications are available online at [www.pugetsound.edu/ISM](http://www.pugetsound.edu/ISM) or [www.pugetsound.edu/ISMapp](http://www.pugetsound.edu/ISMapp)

**Make a Difference... Work with the ISM!**

### APPLICATION DEADLINE

**Monday, April 11th**

For further information, please contact

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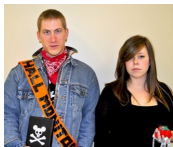
or

**Uyen Nguyen** at [unguyen@pugetsound.edu](mailto:unguyen@pugetsound.edu)

## Art & Lectures

**Kittredge Gallery**  
**Large Gallery and Small Gallery: 2011 Senior Show**  
Exhibit open April 18 through May 14

**Sr. Theatre Festival 2011 @ Norton Clapp Theatre, Jones Hall**  
April 8-9: "Up" by Bridget Carpenter, directed by Lukas Borsten  
April 15-16: "The 4th Graders Present an Unnamed Love-Suicide" by Sean Graney, directed by Joey Fechtel  
April 22-23: "Coronado" by Dennis Lehane, directed by Ella Wrenn



**Jacobsen Series: Got Opera?**  
April 8 @ 7:30pm, Schneebeck—A delightful evening of operatic arias, duets, and ensembles.

**Curtain Call Spring Revue**  
April 12 @ 7:30pm, Rausch—Curtain Call continues the tradition of having their final performance in Rausch Auditorium. Curtain Call is a student musical theater revue produced every semester.

**Puget Sound Guitar Quartet: Impressions & Dances for Four Guitars**  
April 16 @ 2:00pm, Schneebeck—Claire Ladner, Abe Landa, Coby Tamayo, and Daniel Vidales play works by Mompou, Dumatre, Gaudriaud, Bartok, and a premiere of "Three Fractured Folk Frolics" by Douglas Rice with guest performers Chet Baughman on alto sax and Matt Price on marimba.

**Out of Status: Immigration & Higher Education**  
April 4 @ 6:00pm, Trimble Forum—This event will be a lecture concerning what it's like to be an undocumented person at this university and in general.

**"From the Ground Up: Practitioners and Academics Seeking Better Environmental Policy"**  
April 10, 1-6 p.m., Wyatt 109  
April 11, 12-3 p.m., Murray Boardroom; 5-8 p.m., Wyatt 109  
A workshop and discussion about ways to forge better partnerships between scholars, students, and activists working in and on environmental policy issues both domestically and abroad.

**YOU are the Key: How You Can Take an Active Role in Creating a Better and More Sustainable Future**  
April 21 @ 7:00pm, Schneebeck—A talk on individual roles in sustainable change.



**Happy Birthday to Aleksander Jeremikj (aka Jere)!**

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**We hope you will have a great year ahead.**