

SELI NEWS

Summer English Language Institute • College Writing Programs

Summer Sessions, University of California, Berkeley

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Welcome to UC Berkeley and to the Summer English Language Institute (SELI). The instructors and staff are delighted that you could join us in Berkeley this summer. This newsletter provides information that you need to know for your stay with us. Throughout the summer, we have many events planned for outside the classroom. And, we'll let you know about events around campus, around town and around the Bay Area.

UPCOMING EVENTS

JULY 18, 2008

See Wall-E

Go to see the popular Pixar movie, "Wall-E". The technical geniuses at Pixar Animation Studios (The Incredibles, Cars, Ratatouille) transport moviegoers to a galaxy not so far away for a new computer animated comedy about a determined robot named Wall-E.



of a musical. The show gives a glimpse into the personalities of the performers and the choreographer as they describe the events that have shaped their lives and their decisions to become dancers.

JULY 27, 2008

Glide Memorial Church

Come hear gospel music at San Francisco's



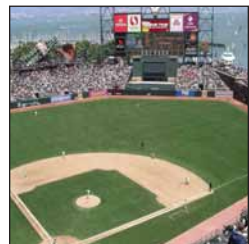
famous Memorial Church. Gospel music is a large body of American religious song with texts that reflect aspects of the personal religious experience of Protestant evangli-

cal groups, both white and African American. See details on page 2.

JULY 22, 2008

San Francisco Giants vs. Washington Nationals

Visit AT&T park in San Francisco to see America's favorite pas-time, baseball! Be with

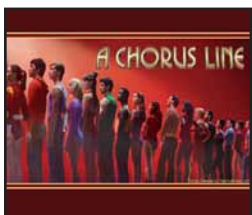


us to cheer in the stands to root for our hometown team, The Giants, against the Nationals of Washington, D.C. See details on page 2.

JULY 23, 2008

A Chorus Line

See "A Chorus Line" at the Curran Theater in San Francisco. It's the longest running musical whose first performance originated in the United States. With nineteen main characters, it is set on the bare stage of a Broadway theatre during an audition for chorus line members



AUGUST 1, 2008

Sonoma Wine Tasting and tour

With more than 200,000 acres stretching from the rugged Pacific coast to the Mayacamas Mountains, Sonoma County offers a

rich and varied landscape steeped in history. Visit Benziger, Ravenswood and Valley of the Moon wineries for a tour of vineyards, wine tasting, and experience the beauty of Sonoma. See details on page 2.

TO DO ON YOUR OWN

Berkeley Farmers' Market: This is one of the most environmentally conscious farmers' markets in the Bay Area. Almost all of the produce is organic, and a half dozen tent-cafes serve a variety of ethnic foods as well as deliciously buttery pastries. Fruits, veggies, cheeses, jams, live plants and live music. Every Saturday, 10 a.m.-2 p.m., Center Street between Milvia and Martin Luther King Way.

Useful Info

Summer Session D Deadlines

Last day to drop a course: July 18

Last day to change your grade option: August 1

Need to use a Mac or PC?

If you need to use a computer to complete class assignments or to stay in contact with those at home, visit the campus' microcomputer facilities. Facilities are located in Moffitt Library and Wheeler Hall. Consult your SELI Student Handbook for details.

Want to Workout?

Take an exercise class or use the fitness center in the Recreational Sports Facility (RSF) for only \$10. Consult your Student Handbook for details.

Want to join a Free Conversation Group to Practice English in a relaxed, informal setting?

Sections meet Mondays and Wednesdays, 6-7 p.m. or 7-8 p.m. in 100 Wheeler Hall. Fill out the purple sheet in your SELI folder and bring it to the class. If you missed the first session, you can still join the groups- just attend the next class. If you have any questions, contact Jennifer Robinson, at: jennydrobinson@gmail.com.

SELI Office

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UC Berkeley Campus
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Office Hours: Monday-Thursday,
8:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

EVENT DETAILS

Wall-E

Date: Friday, July 18, 2008
Time: 1:00 pm- 4:00 pm
Place: Shattuck Cinemas
Cost: Tickets: \$7.75

Sign up: Sign up is required! Please sign up in the SELI office, at the table in the lobby outside of 112 Wheeler Monday, July 14, through Thursday, July 17, between 12-2 p.m. and 4:30-5 p.m. ONLY. You will purchase tickets when you get to the theater.

Transportation: On foot

Meeting Place: Meet in front of Wheeler Hall, by on the big stone staircase at 1pm.

San Francisco Giants vs. Washington Nationals

Date: Tuesday, July 22, 2008
Time: 7:15 p.m.
Place: AT&T Park, San Francisco
Cost: Tickets: \$11 cash in advance
BART: \$6.80 (round-trip)
Food: You decide.

Sign up: Sign up is required! Please sign up and purchase your tickets in the SELI office, at the table in the lobby outside of 112 Wheeler. Tickets may be purchased on Monday-Thursday, July 14-17th, between 12-2 p.m. and 4:30 p.m., and Monday, July 21 between 12-2 p.m. and 4:30-5 p.m. ONLY. Exact change is required.

Transportation: We will take BART to get to the baseball park. A group of students and instructors will meet at 6pm at the Downtown Berkeley BART on the day of the game. The game starts 7:15 p.m. but everyone should be in their seats by 7:00 p.m. to see all the things that go on before the game, including the national anthem and the first pitch.

Weather: AT&T Park can get very cold at night, so even if the afternoon is warm, be sure to bring a warm sweatshirt or jacket. Dress in layers.

Team Colors: The San Francisco Giants' colors are orange, black, and white. It can be fun to dress in the colors of the team that you favor, but it is certainly not required.

A Chorus Line

Date: Wednesday, July 23, 2008
Time: 8pm
Cost: TBA- Between \$25-\$99, the more people who sign up, the cheaper it will be! So ask your friends to go, too.
Where: Curran Theater, San Francisco
Sign up: Sign up is required! Please sign up and in

the SELI office, at the table in the lobby outside of 112 Wheeler. Sign up on Monday-Thursday, July 14-17th, between 12-2 p.m. and 4:30 p.m. ONLY.
Contact: Davon Frasca: dshappen@aol.com

Glide Memorial Church

Date: Sunday, July 27, 2008
Time: 9:30 a.m. (at downtown Berkeley BART station)
Cost: Free Admission to church. Donation is optional.
Where: 330 Ellis Street, San Francisco

Sign up: Sign up is required! Please sign up at SELI office, at the table in the lobby outside of 112 Wheeler Monday July 14 through Thursday, July 17 between 12-2 p.m. and 4:30-5 p.m., and Monday, July 21-Thursday, July 24 between 12-2 p.m. and 4:30-5 p.m. ONLY.

How to Get there: Meet at the bottom of the escalator at the Downtown Berkeley BART station at 9:30 a.m. Or, if you're in San Francisco, you can meet us in front of the Gap store at Powell and Market streets at 10:15 a.m.

How to get home: You'll get back to Berkeley on your own. There are no direct BART trains to Berkeley. You will have to take a Pittsburg/Bay-Point train and transfer to a Richmond train at 12th Street in Oakland.

Contact: Linda O'Roke (linda_roke@yahoo.com)

More Information:
<http://www.glide.org/celebrate>

Sonoma Wine Country Tour & Tasting

Date: FRIDAY, AUGUST 1, 2008
Time: 8:15 A.M- 4:30 P.M.
Place: BENZIGER, RAVENSWOOD & VALLEY OF THE MOON WINERIES
Cost: \$50

Sign up: Sign up is required! You MUST be 21 in order to take this trip. Bring a passport or driver's license to the SELI office, at the table in the lobby outside of 112 Wheeler Hall. Tickets may be purchased Monday, July 21, through Thursday, July 24, from 12-2 p.m. and 4:30-5pm, and Monday, July 28- Thursday, July 31 from 12-2 p.m. and 4:30-5 p.m. only. Exact Change is required. No tickets will be sold to you if you forget your I.D. Cash Only. There is a limited number of tickets.

Transportation: We will take a charter bus. A group of students and teachers will meet at the bus at the intersection of Telegraph Avenue and Bancroft Way. You must be there at 8:15 a.m.

Weather: It gets very hot walking through the

vineyards, so wear light clothes, and bring plenty of water.

Lunch: Please bring your own lunch, or be prepared to buy lunch at a deli.

Details of Winery tours:

Benziger: Enjoy a close-up look at Benziger's Biodynamic vineyards, visit the fermentation facility and crush pad and walk through their barrel caves. The tour includes a special tasting of Benziger's Biodynamic and other award-winning wines.

Ravenswood: Ravenswood's motto is "No Wimpy Wines." Find out what this means during your visit. Stroll through the estate vineyard to examine the vines up close, then return to the cellar to sample wines straight from the barrel and taste current releases. At the home of No Wimpy Wines, you'll get to taste mind-blowing zinfandel, and enjoy witty conversation with the behind-the-bar staff.

Valley of the Moon: This winery has been in operation longer than any other winery in the Glen Ellen area. The stone structures themselves date back to 1863. In 1997 the winery was transformed into a contemporary wine making facility; still the original heritage was preserved.

AROUND BERKELEY

Food:

Blondies Pizza- 2340 Telegraph Ave

Blondie's Pizza is a favorite hangout spot and lunch place for Berkeley students. For years this place been cranking out fresh, hot slices loaded with cheese, generous toppings and a substantial crust. Modeled after the famous grab-and-go pizzerias of New York, it holds its own nicely



against them. The inside has a few lean-on bars upon which you can eat, but most grab a slice and hit the Avenue. Slice prices

vary depending on what you order, but you can also order whole pies with all the usual toppings like veggies, pepperoni or sausage.