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### **1. First SALP event - Trivia Night**

The PandA (Programs & Activities) team have organised the first SALP social event for the year and invite you to come along! It's a good opportunity to meet other fellow SALPers and facilitators in a relaxed atmosphere!

When: Thursday 23rd April (from 7.30pm)

Where: Queensbury Hotel (cnr Queensbury and Swanston Sts)

Join the Facebook group "PANDA 2009" - RSVP on Facebook NOW!

### **2. DREAMLARGE Student Grants – applications open**

The DREAMLARGE Knowledge Transfer Student Grants 2009 are available for students enrolled in a University of Melbourne degree. The Grants are normally for up to \$2,500. Six Grants will be awarded for amounts up to \$5,000. The projects must involve an external partner and be endorsed by a University. Students must work in teams of at least three and the projects should start in 2009. That fits the ALG bill!

Applications will close on 15 May 2009. Successful applicants notified end of June 2009.

For more info go to:

[www.knowledgetransfer.unimelb.edu.au/grants\\_and\\_awards/dreamlarge\\_kt\\_student\\_grants](http://www.knowledgetransfer.unimelb.edu.au/grants_and_awards/dreamlarge_kt_student_grants)

### 3. Uni Service Opportunities

#### 3.1) Overseas Agents presenters

We want to hear from inspiring international students who would be interested to speak at the up-coming overseas agent's annual spectacular on Friday 24 April. This is where the University showcases all the things we are most proud of, to demonstrate the benefits of study at the University of Melbourne for international students. This is an excellent opportunity for you to share your experiences from your involvement in SALP or other volunteering and/or leadership pursuits which you've undertaken through the University of Melbourne.

Interested? Email Zoe at [zldauth@unimelb.edu.au](mailto:zldauth@unimelb.edu.au) by Thursday 23 April.

Nominate: *'Delegation Visits – International Relations Office'* on the SALP database

#### 3.2) Marketing the LIVE Unit

Two volunteers are required to help promote opportunities offered by the University's LIVE (Leadership, Involvement & Volunteer Experience) Unit [www.services.unimelb.edu.au/live](http://www.services.unimelb.edu.au/live). Volunteers are required to place posters and flyers around campus, faculties, departments and student centres to promote the Unit and get students involved.

Interested? Email Theresa Li [theresa.li@unimelb.edu.au](mailto:theresa.li@unimelb.edu.au) with the date/time you are available.

Nominate: *'LIVE activities - LIVE'* on the SALP database

#### 3.3) Become a Transition volunteer

Would you like to help high school students prepare for uni? How about assisting first-year students to adjust to uni life? Would you like to do this while improving your leadership, presentation and group facilitation skills? Transition and Orientation Programs have a range of opportunities for students to volunteer in throughout the year.

Interested? Email Ron Baird [rbaird@unimelb.edu.au](mailto:rbaird@unimelb.edu.au) by Friday 24 April and answer the following questions (include your student number):

1. Why do you want to be a transition volunteer?
2. What were the 3 most challenging parts of your own transition into uni life?
3. What advice would you give to Year 12 students considering going to university?

Nominate: *'Transition Program activities – Transition & Orientation'* on the SALP database.

#### 3.4) Counselling web volunteers

The Counselling Service is looking for volunteers to trial a new web based service. 'Ask Counselling' provides an opportunity for students to submit a question to Counselling and to peruse answers which have been posted in response to queries from other students. The Service is seeking student feedback on the posts they already have, and on how the whole process works, including submitting questions. The Counselling Service will send you the links, get you to have a look and then will set up a time for you to come to the Counselling Service to participate in a feedback discussion (over morning tea).

Interested? Email Julienne at [jkinna@unimelb.edu.au](mailto:jkinna@unimelb.edu.au)

Nominate: *'General Counselling activities- Counselling Service'* on the SALP database.

### **3.5) Breakfast Club volunteers**

The Welfare Department of the Student Union has recently started The Breakfast Club where students can pick up a free breakfast and meet the welfare office bearers. The next Club date is on Tuesday 5 May (8am – 10am) and will run every second Tuesday thereafter.

With more than 100 students to serve, volunteers are required for serving and cleaning between 8am and 10.30 am.

Interested? Contact Tristan at [welfare@union.unimelb.edu.au](mailto:welfare@union.unimelb.edu.au) or 8344 4808

Nominate: *'Various MUSUI activities – Student Union'* on the SALP database.

## **4. Community Engagement opportunities**

### **4.1) Volunteer with SYN FM**

A volunteer is required to produce and co-present a radio program for SYN FM (located at RMIT in the city). The volunteer will assist to prepare and host a weekly radio show. The program's aim is to provide music and in particular to present various issues and activities available and of interest to the disabled community.

Duties include attending training, preparing and submitting a Demo, researching and scripting weekly program material (which can be carried out in the volunteer's home) and presenting the weekly program.

Interested? Contact Flora Chew on 9882 4806, 0422 007 275 or email [f.chew@bigpond.net.au](mailto:f.chew@bigpond.net.au)

### **4.2) Tax Help Program**

The Australian Taxation Office's Tax Help Program provides assistance to taxpayers on low incomes with their individual tax returns. Six volunteers are required to assist on campus. Full training will be provided on campus by the Australian Taxation office in May.

Interested? Contact Ben McCarthy at [mcb@unimelb.edu.au](mailto:mcb@unimelb.edu.au) by Tuesday 28 April.

### **4.3) Sacred Heart Primary School**

Sacred Heart Primary School is interested working with an ALG to assist with a literacy program. With 85% of their enrolled students being new arrivals, the School wants an ALG to visit students a week to assist with our Literacy classes in the mornings for their Junior classes.

Interested? Contact Rita on [r.manassis@unimelb.edu.au](mailto:r.manassis@unimelb.edu.au) or 8344 0384.

## **5. Duke of Edinburgh Award launch**

The LIVE Unit and the Provost, Professor Peter McPhee invite you to the official launch of the Duke of Edinburgh's Award program at the University of Melbourne.

When: Monday 4 May (4-6pm)

Where: Executive Lounge, Level 1, Alan Gilbert Building  
Light refreshments will be served

RSVP: By Tuesday 28 April to Theresa Li at [theresa.li@unimelb.edu.au](mailto:theresa.li@unimelb.edu.au)

### **6. Australian Youth Climate Coalition – Power Shift**

The Australian Youth Climate Coalition's (AYCC) mission is to build a generation-wide movement to solve the climate crisis, through uniting diverse youth organisations around this common challenge. Through their member groups, they inspire, educate, empower and mobilise young Australians to take action on climate change. They coordinate, communicate and network with each other, and run shared projects and campaigns.

Power Shift is a project of the AYCC and is Australia's first National Youth Climate Summit, July 2009, Sydney. It aims to make a power shift to renewable energy, green jobs & a safe climate future.

For more information and to get involved, go to [www.powershift.org.au](http://www.powershift.org.au)

### **7. Fair Trade Fortnight**

Fair Trade Fortnight 2009 (2-17 May) is rapidly approaching. Get involved in this annual two week celebration and promotion of tackling poverty and empowering producers through trade. From markets to product tastings, chocolate fondues and coffee breaks, events and promotions will focus on how individuals and businesses can change the lives of farmers, workers and their communities today by choosing fair trade products.

For more information on what is happening in you area visit: <http://www.fairtrade.com.au/ftf09>

### **8. Spanish Film Festival**

The Spanish Film Festival is a non-profit cultural organization which promotes the Spanish and Latin American Film Industries in the Australian Community. The Spanish Film festival in Australia works with the Consulates and Embassies of Spain and Latin American countries to organize regular cultural events.

Dates: 13- 24 May

Venues: Palace Cinemas, Como and Kino

The Festival is looking for dedicated volunteers to assist at this year's Festival in Melbourne. Volunteer duties include, hosting at the opening night party, directing guests to the cinema & help them with the program, Spanish speakers will have an opportunity to speak to native speakers and promote the festival by handing out flyers and working with local businesses.

Interested? Contact Zoe Dauth at [zldauth@unimelb.edu.au](mailto:zldauth@unimelb.edu.au)

### **9. Volunteering overseas**

GAPS is an Australian non-profit organisation that aims to build sustainable partnerships between organisations and communities in the developed and developing world. GAPS has a

number of development projects in Kenya, Rwanda and Ghana in the fields of education, medical development and community development. For more information, go to:  
[www.gaps.org.au](http://www.gaps.org.au)

If you're interested in taking up a program in Africa this coming July, you can also contact fellow SALPer, Longzhen on [l.han@ugrad.unimelb.edu.au](mailto:l.han@ugrad.unimelb.edu.au)

#### 10. LIVE Unit - Updated News, Events & Opportunities!

If you're interested in staying updated on current volunteering opportunities and related events, check the LIVE website regularly <http://www.services.unimelb.edu.au/live/about/news.html>



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