What is Culturescape?

Culturescape is the annual signature event of USF’s International Student Association (ISA). Planned, hosted, and presented by USF international and domestic students, Culturescape is a festival of food, performances, and exhibits from around the world. This signature event is an opportunity for student organizations, student led groups or individuals to educate the USF community about world cultures.

What is the International Student Association?

The International Student Association (ISA) promotes cultural education, advocates for the USF international student body, and provides a social community by being the voice of the international students, creating social interactions, and developing educational opportunities for cultural enrichment.

All interested individuals are welcome to join ISA. Contact us at isa@usfca.edu.

Kasamahan: “Tikling”
Members of Kasamahan will perform the Philippine national dance that mimics the tikling bird trying to escape the bamboo trap brought by the farmers.

MeCha
This is a type of music called Son Jarocho coming from the south of Vera Cruz, Mexico. It has influences from Africa, Spain, and the Indigenous people of Mexico.

Korean Student Association:
Tae Kwon Do
Taekwondo is a traditional martial arts that has grown as a global sport since 1973. Recognized as an official sport in the 2004 Athens Olympic Games, it is considered a sport for the training of the body and mind.

USF Voices: Sipato Kaan (Fatherland)
This Indonesian song is sung as a prayer from the parents of children who are going away from home. It is sung to remind the children that their home is the fatherland.

Association Yucateca of Marin
Following a recent performance at the Mexican Consulate celebrating the Mayan culture, members of the Association Yucateca of Marin will share their traditional dance with the USF community. The Association is committed to maintaining the Yucatan culture by teaching their youth and the community about the foods, dance, and language of the Yucatan culture.

Culturescape 2005
A Kaleidoscope of Culture

Friday, November 18
6:00-9:00 pm
Presentation Theater & McLaren Complex
University of San Francisco
Performances

USF University Choir: Pergolesi's 'Stabat Mater'
Born in Jesi, Italy, Giovanni Battista Pergolesi (1710-1736) composed popular works. The piece performed tonight was featured in the movie “Amadeus”.

Hui 'O Hawaii:
Chant/Modern hula ('auana)
The Chant is a traditional Hawaiian call to gathering at the beginning of a ceremony or other event. The modern hula ('auana) is a Hawaiian dance done to contemporary upbeat Hawaiian music.

KKEB: I Have Found the Beauty In You
“KKEB” is one of the Indonesian famous love songs which was inspired from the combination of Javanese and Balinese modern music. Iwan Sutana and Joshua Little share their talent.

Indian Student Organization (ISO):
Bhangra Blas/Introcontinental Connection
ISO brings us some short snippets of different types of dance from all over India. The types of dance include Bhangra, Danda, Kathak, and Bharatnatyam, traditional dances (with the exception of Bhangra which is a more modern dance) that are usually performed at holidays and special events within the community.

Food

Kasamahan
Pancit and lumpia Shanghai
These are traditional food dishes that are often served during the holidays.

Vietnamese Student Association
Papaya salad, che (Vietnamese dessert) and thin egg noodle stir fry
These are eaten at any time and at family gatherings.

Indian Student Organization (ISO)
Samosa, rice, chicken tandoori, naan, pakoras, chicken curry, chole patura, aloo gobi, roti, curd/yoghurt, mango lassi drink, and chai/Indian milk tea
This is a sampling of daily food. Samosa and pakoras are more like snacks and are not eaten as a meal. Rice, naan, and roti are staple food in the Indian diet.

Hui 'O Hawaii
Chicken katsu
This is traditionally a Japanese dish. However, in Hawaii, it has become a local, everyday favorite, most often from “L and L drive-in.”

Japanese Food
Tonjiru (vegetable & pork soup), onigiri (rice ball), matcha ice (green tea ice cream), ryoku cha (green tea), osenbe, dorayaki
Tonjiru is commonly eaten in the winter. Onigiri is typically eaten for lunch or on picnics.

Myanmar/Burmese Food
Own tha min, kyat tha hin and paratha bread
Kyat tha hin can be eaten with both own tha min and paratha. They are usually eaten at monasteries when people make donations and sometimes at weddings.

Arab Student Union
Falafel, hummus, tabouleh, and pita bread
These are common everyday foods eaten by most Arabs. They are also the most popular Middle Eastern food here in the United States.

German Food
Schnitzle and spaetzle
Schnitzle and spaetzle are standard German Bavarian dishes.

Students for a Free Tibet
Tibetan momo, also called Tibetan dumpling
This is normally served during lunch and dinner. In ancient times, upper class Tibetans would put butter on them, while commoners would use animal fat to give the momos a special taste.

Hong Kong Student Association
Fried rice, fried noodles, meat related main dish, and Hong Kong-style snacks
These are eaten daily and are a main staples of Hong Kong culture.

The African Alliance
 Wakiy and red-red
Wakiy (black-eyed peas and rice) and red-red (fried plantains) are basic dishes in Ghana.

Southeast Asian American Student Alliance
Kayoh (Hmong Eggrolls) and som tum (Papaya salad)
Kayoh is usually eaten on special occasions and som tum is an everyday side dish.

Korean Student Association
Kim bab, sik hae, and yak bab
These are traditional lunchtime Korean dishes.