



News from Seville International Business and Culture Program March 10-16, 2008

General News

CIEE - Sports

Basketball:.....Irene will meet you up at IFNI sport center on Tuesday the 11th at 7pm to play there.

Volleyball:.....Carlos will meet you up at IFNI sport center on Tuesday the 11th at 7pm to play volleyball.

Soccer:.....Esteban will meet you up at bus Charco de la Pava, on Wednesday the 12th at 8pm to play soccer.

Alayna out-of-town

Alayna is out of town at a conference this week. In her absence, you can get in touch with Maritheresa Frain (mfraim@cíee.org) or John Luria (jluria@cíee.org).

CIEE Teach in Spain

Do you love Andalusia? Do you have plans for after graduation? CIEE Teach in Spain is the perfect opportunity to come back to Spain. Program participants work as language and culture assistants in public schools all over Andalusia with a grant from the government. If you'd like to learn more about this exciting opportunity, come to one of the information sessions this week in the Palacio- Wednesday, March 12th at 15h in Aula Sevilla and Thursday, March 13th at 15h in Aula Almería. You can also find out more on the website: http://cíee.org/teach/teach_spain.aspx

Getting to know The Semana Santa (Holy Week)

March, 12 at 19h. If you want to know more about this religious celebration, know about the "pasos", learn about the traditions customs of the "Sevillanos" in this special time, sign up in the waiting room of the Palacio to visit some churches with one of our best guides, Ángel de Quinta. The deadline to sign up is next Wednesday, 12 at noon.

Flamenco Museum Conference

March, 12. 21h. CIEE and the Museum of Flamenco organize an interesting conference of the teacher Ellen Echeverría, from George Washington University, about The Persian legacy in Andalusian music and literature. Moreover we can enjoy a concert of "santur" by Roya Barhami. The Museum of Flamenco it's placed in St. Manuel Rojas Marcos, 3 (close from the Palacio).

Initiation course to Spanish wines

Spain is one of the main wine producers of the world. So, if you want to "go for a walk" in the world of the wine taste and learn how to recognize a good wine, don't miss the chance of this course next Tuesday, March, 25, from 7pm to 9pm., at "Enoteca Andana" placed in Los Remedios neighborhood. You don't have to pay for enrollment but the seats are limited. Sign up in the waiting room in the Palacio before Friday, March the 14th.

Palacio in Holy Week

Remember that the Palacio will be closed the whole Holy Week, from Friday 14th to Sunday 23th. We hope you to enjoy your holiday time and the processions.

Academic News

CIEE Writing and Tutorial Center

Mid-term exams are quickly approaching. To be even more prepared, make an appointment with the CIEE Writing and Tutorial Center in the Study Center. Contact Miguel Luna Romero at mromero@cíee.org to make an appointment.

Withdrawing from a Class

If, after the Add-Drop/Midterm examination period, for extenuating circumstances, you feel as though you cannot continue in a class (personal illness, family emergency, etc.) you must speak with Alayna. Students may not withdraw from classes due to level of difficulty, boring professors, or poor midterm grades.

The withdrawal period ends on Friday, March 14th.

Students in such situations must provide written approval from their study abroad advisor at home to withdraw from a class. This approval may be sent via e-mail to Alayna. However, you must personally speak with Alayna before or on the final date of the withdrawal period to fill out and sign the necessary forms. You will receive a "W" (Withdrawal) on your CIEE grade report.

Keep in mind that your sending school may have its own policies concerning possible "withdrawals" while studying abroad. CIEE's and most university's credit policy is that students must carry 15 credits for the semester, therefore making it difficult to withdraw from a class. Note: the sending school has the final word on approving or not approving a requested withdrawal.

If you decide to not complete the requirements of a class after the final withdraw date, you will receive an "F" on your grade report. There are no exceptions to this policy. CIEE follows the same general practices and procedures as U.S. universities.

The above policy is also outlined in your Student Handbook.

Important Dates for the Month:

Wednesday, March 12th: Speed Intercambios

Friday, March 14th: Last day to withdraw from a class

Friday, March 28th: Social/Cultural Activity (UPO) TBA

Free Time Activities

Flamenco it comes from the South

Tuesday 11th at 21h there is a flamenco show with the singer José Fernández Torres Tomatito, considered one of the best flamenco singers. If you want more information: www.teatrocental.com

¿What is a Saeta?

If you are interested in Spanish traditions, The Museum of Flamenco organizes a session called "Exaltación de la saeta flamenco" on Thursday 13th at 20.30h. it's a "mystical experience" where Holy week and flamenco join to explain the meaning for the more felt songs of the sevillian spring. The entry cost 10€ with your CIEE student card.

XVI University Theatre Time

Theatre lovers can't miss that. From March 12th to 15th it's going to celebrate at the Alameda's Theatre a young festival organized by the University of Seville where foreigners students also take part. There will be plays every day at 20h and the tickets cost 4€ with your CIEE student card. You can check the schedule at www.us.es/spc

Country-folk Concert

If you want to listen to something different, the Wednesday 12th from 22h, the group Blue Mountain will perform live at bar El Cafetal, placed in Avenida Ciudad Jardín, in Nervión neighborhood. Free access.

Soccer game. 2nd League: Sevilla Atlético vs. Las Palmas

A new soccer game of the second Sevilla Team, in their first year on the "silver league" of the Spanish competition. They are making a really good year. Saturday 15th at 6:30pm. More information on the website: www.sevillafc.es

Soccer game, 1st league: Betis vs. Athletic de Bilbao

The game will be played on betis stadium, against Bilbao team, as a curiosity they only play with players that have born in the Basque Country. Saturday 15th, at 8pm. More information on the betis website: www.realbetisbalompie.es