

# Fashion show unites minority organizations

■ Tonight's show will also feature music and dancing from different cultures.

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Dazzling outfits and a festive atmosphere will highlight the second annual MASALA fashion show tonight. The show will feature a variety of music, dancing and clothing from about 15 minority organizations.

MASALA is a student group made up of representatives from various campus cultural and social organizations. The

goal of the show, and the goal of all MASALA activities, is the promotion of cross-cultural communication at UNC.

Executive members of MASALA said they expected the show to be well-attended. "Our hope is that the show will bring awareness about MASALA to the campus and to offer all students an invitation to join on the MASALA shindig," said Mavis Gragg, chairwoman of MASALA and co-president of the Black Student Movement.

Each organization within MASALA will present their portion of the show

## MASALA

7 p.m.  
Today  
Great Hall

according to their own design. Each portion will last approximately 10 minutes, and may involve skits, dancing and, of course, modeling of unique outfits.

Shana Pathan, vice president of Sangam, the South Asian awareness organization, said the show was the culmination of a semester of hard work. "The show has really created a bond between all the minority organizations," she said.

Susan Kansagra, another Sangam member, said she was excited about the opportunity to model clothing from her homeland of India. "(The show) opens your eyes to the different cultural groups that are at UNC and that you might not see every day," Kansagra said.

Other participating organizations in-

clude the Asian Students Association and Students for the Advancement of Racial Relations.

Sarah Manekin, chairwoman of the Human Relations Committee, said the hard work of all participating groups had created a product for everyone in the University community.

"I think it's an incredible opportunity for those whose cultures are not being represented to learn about other groups," Manekin said.

Shana Fulton, another member of the Human Relations Committee, helped sell tickets for the event. She said there was a great amount of student interest in the show and said she was looking forward to seeing it herself.

## Man faces charges for impersonating doctor at UNC Hospitals

BY MIKE HIRSCHER  
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It took almost two months for police to arrest a hospital employee imposter who was repeatedly stealing personal belongings in UNC Hospitals.

Benneth Sheeley, 37, of Durham was arrested Nov. 7 for obstructing and delaying a police officer after he was chased by police, according to reports. Sheeley was also charged with larceny of the lab coat he was wearing and arrested for seven outstanding warrants, police reports state.

Lt. Angela Carmon, crime prevention

officer for University Police, said that a few days later Sheeley was also arrested on several larceny charges from UNC Hospitals and for feloniously attempting to use credit cards he had stolen.

Director of UNC Hospitals Police Tom Smith said Sheeley went around the hospital looking for items to take. "If he found an open door, he'd help himself to anything he found," Smith said.

Sheeley was able to commit his crimes by dressing for the environment, Carmon said. "(He stole from) anybody who left stuff unattended," she said. "He pretty much put on a lab coat and a pair of scrubs."

Smith said Sheeley was very successful in impersonating a hospital worker. "He was very articulate," he said. "He was very smooth."

On one occasion, Sheeley entered a worker's office and she asked him who he was, Smith said. Sheeley said he was "Dr. Eisenhower," and the worker notified police after she found there was no such doctor in the hospital, Smith said.

Smith said he was proud of how employees worked together to find and stop Sheeley. He said that in October a police alert was put out and a few employees called, eventually leading to Sheeley's arrest. "If something like this has to hap-

pen, it went very well," he said.

However, Smith said improvements can be made all the time. "We're always looking at how we can make things better," he said.

Still, the fact that the hospital is a public building makes security a challenge, Smith said.

"We have to have public access," he said. "There's a delicate balance between open public access and making sure we have a completely secure atmosphere." Wanda Finders, dispatcher of Labor Finders, a temporary employment agency, said Sheeley worked at the agency "a good while back."

Finders said she was surprised at his arrest. "I thought he was a good guy," she said.

Superior Court Clerk Doris Wilson said Sheeley will face trial in Chapel Hill on Nov. 26 for larceny charges and Dec. 6 for delaying and obstructing an officer.

## CABLE

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implementing a smoking ban in residence halls and apartments.

Latoya Porterfield, president of the Residence Hall Association, presented the results of a series of forums held to gauge student opinion on the ban.

Porterfield said the most students at the forums, especially those on North Campus, were against any changes.

Other board members questioned the accuracy of the forums because of poor participation. "The people with the most to lose are the ones to show up at the forums," said Herb Davis, social director of Undergraduate Admissions.

The board considered having an experimental smoke-free residence hall or designating the top floors for smoking.

The board did not make a final decision on the smoking ban and decided it needed more information on student opinion and health and safety issues.

## Pre-Kwanzaa celebration

### UMOJA (Unity)

Nov. 17

■ Kwanzaa Opening Ceremony

■ 6 p.m., Carmichael Ballroom

### KUJICHAGULIA (Self-determination)

Nov. 18

■ Underground Expressions

■ 6 p.m., Union Cabaret

### UJIMA (Collective work and responsibility)

Nov. 19

■ Card making and delivery

■ Students may stop by and make a Thanksgiving card for a child or elderly person.

■ 9 p.m. to 5 p.m. in the downstairs lobby of the Student Union

### UJAMMA (Cooperative economics)

Nov. 20

Change Jar

■ Jars will be placed in local businesses and all proceeds will go toward a foundation

### NIA (Purpose)

Nov. 21

■ Forum: Graduate students talk about steps to prepare for graduate school, 5 p.m., BCC

■ Forum: Black Faculty/Staff Caucus Forum on Affirmative Action, School of Social Work, 7 p.m., first floor auditorium

■ "Loved Ones" - a play by the Ebony Readers/Onyx Theatre

8 p.m., BSM

### KUUMBA (Creativity)

Nov. 22

■ Campus beautification

■ Cleanup and repair of Pine Knolls Community in Carboro

### IMANI (Faith)

Nov. 23

African Student's Association

■ African Unity Banquet, 6:30 p.m. to midnight, Great Hall

## Pre-Kwanzaa to celebrate African-American culture

BY KAITLIN GURNEY  
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Imagine the feasts of Thanksgiving, the candles of Hanukkah and the patriotism of the Fourth of July all rolled into one.

It's Kwanzaa, an African-American celebration of the first fruits of the harvest that is observed during the last week in December.

Since the University is closed for winter break during the week of Kwanzaa, and the first weeks of December are shadowed by exams, the Sonja H. Black Cultural Center is sponsoring a Pre-Kwanzaa festival from Nov. 17 to Nov. 23.

Just like the traditional observance, one of the seven principles of Nguzosaba are celebrated each day. This is done through activities planned by the BCC.

"The week-long celebration is designed to educate students about the culture and history of the African-American heritage," said Ty Johnson, BCC publicist.

"We try to incorporate the seven principles through cultural performance, lectures, dance and food."

Although the holiday is a combination of elements from traditional African-American harvest festivals, Kwanzaa itself has not been around very long.

Kwanzaa was started in 1966 by Maulana Karenga, chairman of black studies at California State University at Long Beach. It is now observed annually by 5 million people, primarily African-Americans.

Kwanzaa is celebrated by lighting a candle and giving a gift each day of the week in accordance with the day's theme.

"The holiday is not religious, and so therefore not meant to replace Christmas," Johnson said. "It is a time to focus on Africa and African heritage."

Michelle Johnson, a member of BCC Advisory Board, said Kwanzaa was a holiday for all faiths.

"It speaks very well about the celebration's meaning that we honor the things that make us strong," she said.

Michelle Johnson said she first celebrated Kwanzaa as a nursery school student in Maryland, but did not celebrate it again until she was a student at UNC.

The University's Pre-Kwanzaa activities begin Monday with opening ceremonies in the Carmichael Ballroom at 6 p.m.

The evening, celebrating the day's theme of Umoja (unity), includes a dinner and performances by cONcEpt (of colors), Harmonyx and the Opeyol Dancers. The event costs \$4.

The week closes Nov. 23 with a celebration of Imani (faith). The African Students Association will sponsor a free banquet in the Great Hall from 6:30 p.m. to midnight.

"If you don't know much about Kwanzaa, these two days are the most significant," Ty Johnson said.

Other activities during the week include card making in the downstairs lobby of the Student Union on Nov. 19 in celebration of Ujima (collective work and responsibility).

A campus beautification day on Nov. 23 in observance of Kuumba (creativity). A complete schedule of events is available at the BCC.

## Campus Calendar

### Friday

11 a.m.-2 p.m. — The Carolina AIDS Resource Education Service will sponsor workshops and provide information to show support for AIDS patients in the Pit.

12:30 p.m.-2 p.m. — The Public Policy Analysis Majors Union will be sponsoring a lecture by professors Geoffrey Sayre McCord and Gillian Cell on "Justifying Policy from a Contractarian Point of View" in 102 New East. Call Asta Crowe at 962-1600 for more information.

1:30 p.m. — Alpha Delta Pi will be sponsoring an alcohol awareness seminar in Union 211.

4 p.m. — The Department of Physics and Astronomy will present a seminar titled "Semiconductor-Liquid Interfaces: The Science and Technological Applications," featuring Arthur

J. Nozik of the Center for Basic Sciences and Renewable Energy Laboratory, in 265 Phillips Hall.

4 p.m., 6:30 p.m., 9 p.m., 11:30 p.m. — The Carolina Union Activities Board Film Committee will present "James and the Giant Peach," Disney's animated feature film version of Roald Dahl's classic book, in the Carolina Union Auditorium. Admission is \$2. The CUAB Film Committee will also present Richard Roundtree in "Shaft" at 7 p.m. in the Carolina Union Auditorium on Sunday. Admission will be free.

6 p.m. — N.C. Hillel and the Campus Ministries Association will be hosting an interfaith volleyball match in Fetzer Gym. Food will also be provided. N.C. Hillel will also be having its annual Interfaith Shabbat at 6:15 p.m. All are welcome to attend this service, full of explanations. Services will be at the N.C.

Hillel building at 210 W. Cameron Ave. Dinner (\$5, or \$4 if you donate a school supply item) will be served afterward. On Saturday, N.C. Hillel will have a Torah study led by Dr. George Schlesinger at 11 a.m. at the N.C. Hillel building.

8 p.m. — The Department of Dramatic Arts Studio One production of "Auschwitz" will have its opening night at Playmakers Theatre. Admission is free for Playmakers subscribers and privilege card holders, and \$3 for others.

### Items of Interest

On Saturday, the A-Z Doll Club of Washington, N.C., will hold a Doll, Bear & Toy Show and Sale at the Civic Center in downtown Washington from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Admission is \$2.50.

The 12th Annual Trains & Railroadiana Show by the Neuse River Valley Model Railroad Club Inc. will be held at the N.C. State fairgrounds at the Kerr-Scott Building on Saturday from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m., and on Sunday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Admission is \$3, and anyone under 16 with an adult is free.

UNC Loreleis will conduct their fall concert with special guest the Johns Hopkins All Nighters at 8 p.m. in Hill Hall on Saturday. Tickets are \$5 in the Pit and at the door.

There will be mandatory orientation sessions for spring 1997 Study Abroad participants Thursday from 3 p.m. to 10 p.m. and Saturday from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Please call the office to let them know which session you will attend if you haven't already at 962-7001.

Conversation Partners applications are available at the International Center. If you would like to befriend a new international student by volunteering to converse for one hour a week, one-to-one, at a mutually convenient time and place, apply at the International Center, on the main floor of the Student Union.

Yackety Yack yearbook portraits are being taken this week. Seniors call 1-800-836-0558 to schedule an appointment. Underclassmen, drop by Union 213 anytime on Thursday or Friday. It's free.

N.C. Hillel will be conducting its annual parent phone campaign. Call Rabbi Ed Elkin at 942-4057 if you are interested in helping.

The Carolina Indian Circle will present the Third Annual Native American Performing Arts Festival at 7 p.m. Nov. 22 in Memorial Hall. Tickets are on sale now in the Ticket Box Office \$3 for students and \$5 for the general public.

The Duke Art Museum is having an exhibit entitled "Chaika": Preserving the Images of Ideology" from Oct. 24 through Dec. 29 as part of a growing collection of contemporary Russian art. The museum is also sponsoring an "After Hours" with the artist at 6:30 p.m. Thursday in the North Gallery. Admission for the general public is \$3.

The N.C. Crafts Gallery will be sponsoring a show titled "Triangle Weavers" from Nov. 1 to Nov. 30, featuring works by Chapel Hill, Durham and Raleigh residents. The Crafts Gallery is located at 212 W. Main St. in Carboro.

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