

# Date Auction, Film Part of Premier Masala Week

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A University that prides itself on diversity, UNC boasts a large number of ethnic groups that continue to actively campaign for multicultural awareness.

And after 17 organizations under

Masala's umbrella united Monday to kick off the first-ever Masala week, students will have an opportunity to continue learning more about diversity through discussion and events such as the Date Auction.

The Asian Student Association, the Carolina Hispanic Association, the

Black Student Movement, Sangam and Concepts of Color are just a few of Masala's backbone multicultural groups.

"We're reaching out to the University to promote diversity," said Jennifer Ekeleme, Masala public relations liaison.

Masala President Dawn Anderson said Masala's goal was to bring the groups together and make them aware of other organizations' actions.

"We work to open up the lines of communication between these groups," she said.

The week began Monday night with an international dinner in the Student Union. Today, "American History X" will play at 8 p.m. in the Union Film Auditorium. Admission is \$1.

"We wanted to show something that showed how racist attitudes can affect others," Ekeleme said.

On Wednesday, representatives from all member groups will gather in the Pit for students to meet from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Everyone is invited to come and enjoy free cotton candy.

At noon, Masala members will gather in the Sonja H. Stone Black Cultural Center for an "Around the Circle" discussion about multiculturalism and what it really means.

The event that Ekeleme calls one of the week's highlights, Masala's Date Auction, will be at 8 p.m. Thursday in 111 Carroll Hall.

The auction will feature volunteers from Masala's member groups, including Shawn Sealy, a junior from Dorchester, Mass., who participated in the MTV show "Road Rules" that aired last summer.

"I think people will like the selec-

tion," Anderson said.

She said the person who spent the most money on their date would get the best date Masala had planned.

The proceeds from the auction will benefit UNC Children's Hospital.

Masala members invite everyone to grab their auction dates and join them at Pantana Bob's for food and music from 10 p.m. until 2 a.m. Admission is \$3.

Several dance groups will compete for \$100 at 8 p.m. Friday at the Dance Marathon, a 24-hour dancing event that benefits UNC Children's Hospitals.

Groups include Bhangra Elite, Que Rico, Opeyo!, Latinas Promoviendo Comunidad/Lambda Pi Chi Sorority, Inc. and Mezmerhythm.

Anderson said students should save the voucher from any event they attend and put it into an envelope marked with their name and e-mail address and turn it into the Masala office on Monday for a prize drawing.

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## Masala Week Mania

Masala Week aims to showcase various cultures and issues for the UNC community.

### Tuesday:

- "American History X" Union Film Auditorium \$1 admission

### Wednesday:

- Around the Circle Discussion Black Cultural Center Noon

- Masala Groups' Showcase Pit 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Free cotton candy

### Thursday:

- Date Auction 111 Carroll Hall 8 p.m. Free

- Post-Date Auction Mixer Pantana Bob's 10:30 p.m. \$2 in advance, \$3 at the door

### Friday:

- Dance Competition Carmichael Auditorium 8 p.m.

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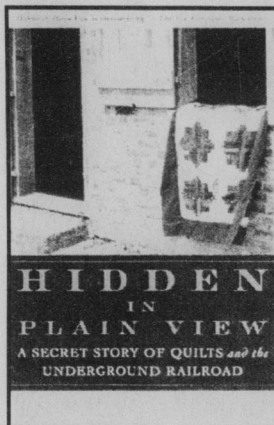
## Hidden in Plain View

*A Secret Story of Quilts and the Underground Railroad*

Wednesday, Feb. 23 at 1:00pm

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## Intramural Sports

The Campus Recreation Calendar indicates that today is the deadline for intramural softball. Unfortunately, Carmichael Field is scheduled to close any day and **softball has been canceled for this semester. However, today is the deadline for Quickball and the SRC Bench Press Championship.**

**Employee Volleyball:** every Tuesday, 5:15-7:30PM, Fetzer Gym B. Employee Basketball has completed 5 weeks with 2 to go before the top 4 teams move in to a single-elimination playoff. Current standings: Human Subjects (3-0), Gummers (4-1), Bookheads (3-1), Brown Hornets (2-2), Bad Boys and Kim Wipes (1-3), and everyone's favorite patsy, Older But Slower (0-4).

## Fitness & Aerobics

### Special Programs:

\* Thursday Training Tips at the SRC.

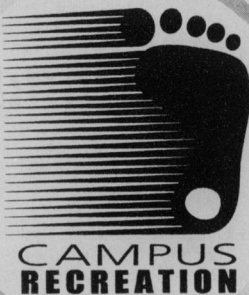
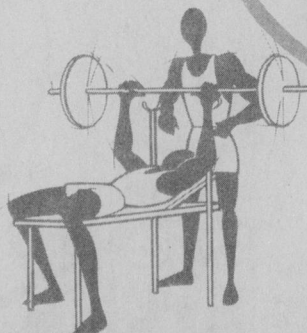
10-15 minute general info session by a certified personal trainer

This week's topic: **Lat Pulldown**

\* **BENCH PRESS COMPETITION**

Feb 25th 3pm

Student Board of Directors applications now available at front desk of SRC.



## UNC CLUB RACQUETBALL TO HOST REGIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP

UNC Club Racquetball will host the first annual Club Bash

2000 - Southeast Intercollegiate Regional Championships this Friday through Sunday. Club Bash 2000 is expected to be one of the largest collegiate racquetball tournaments in the country. The tournament will feature players from UNC, Duke, NCSU, Maryland, Georgia, as well as other universities from across the country.

Play will begin at 6pm in the Fetzer Gym racquetball courts (behind the SRC). Matches will continue all day Saturday, and the championship matches will be completed by mid-afternoon on Sunday. Club Bash will crown 21 regional champions, and donate a portion of the proceeds to the UNC Children's Hospital. Every participant plays a minimum of 3 matches, gets a free tournament t-shirt, receives 6 free meals on site, and may participate in a raffle for prizes worth over \$500.

UNC will have 12 students competing in singles, doubles and team competitions at Club Bash 2000. All UNC students are encouraged to come out and support the Tar Heels as they battle for regional supremacy. With your help, the Tar Heels will be able to send six of its top players to Arizona in April for the National Intercollegiate Championships.

The Club meets at 7pm every Tuesday and Thursday at Fetzer. All students are welcome to join; from first time players to national level competitors.

### Upcoming Home Sport Club Events include:

**Men's Rugby:** Friday, Feb. 25, 7pm, Carmichael Field. Contact Justin Eldreth at 960-0813 or [aeldreth@email.unc.edu](mailto:aeldreth@email.unc.edu)

**Women's Rugby:** Sat. Feb. 26, 1pm, Carmichael Field. Contact Katie Ruhl at 933-2131 or [ruhl@email.unc.edu](mailto:ruhl@email.unc.edu)

**Women's Soccer (Heels):** Sun. Feb. 27, 1pm, Finley Field. Contact Caroline Hope at 933-4876 or [schope@email.unc.edu](mailto:schope@email.unc.edu)

Come enjoy Carolina Sport Clubs action. For any questions about the UNC Sport Clubs' Program or for a list of all 40 clubs and contact numbers please call 962-1013 or email Sport Club Director Steve Bradley at [sbradley@email.unc.edu](mailto:sbradley@email.unc.edu) GO HEELS!

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