

Groups to go cross-cultural at the Cabaret

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Along with usual Homecoming activities such as the pep rally, the parade and the crowning of the Homecoming queen, students can enjoy an evening of dance, songs and other performances

by campus groups at Cross-Cultural Night.

Cross-Cultural Night will be held at 7 p.m. Tuesday in the Union Cabaret.

Rolanda Burney, Cross-Cultural Night director, said several ethnic groups and organizations would perform during the program. "The event will contain dance performances and songs," she said. "The performers will introduce themselves and give a short description of their act."

The groups participating in the cultural event include the Carolina Indian Circle; the BSM Gospel Choir; the Ebony Readers; Afro II, an African dance class; and Sangam, the UNC Indian student association.

Burney said that CHisPA, the campus Hispanic student organization, hadn't confirmed whether it would take part in the event.

Lloyd Wilson, a professional Griot, or African storyteller, and Wilmington resident, will be the guest performer at the event.

"He tells stories about African myths and often uses musical instruments of African orientation in his stories," Burney said.

Sonya McAuley, director of Afro II, said about 20 dancers from her class would perform at the event. "This class is an extracurricular activity, and the

dance is optional to the students," she said. "Anyone is welcome to participate."

McAuley said the dance was titled

"Sunga," which meant "Welcome." Sunga was a traditional West African

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Six men vie for UNC's top male title

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The annual Mr. UNC contest is a spirited highlight of the Homecoming festivities, and this year's contest promises to be exciting.

This year's contest will be held at 7 p.m. today in the Great Hall. Admission is \$2 in advance and \$3 at the door. Proceeds from the contest will benefit the Association for Retarded Citizens.

Mr. UNC contestants this year include Shaun Krest, Bryan Tucker, Robert Miller, Doug Ferguson, Kenneth Sears and Patrick Dillon.

Contestants picked up applications from the Carolina Athletic Association and must be sponsored by an organization such as a residence hall or a fraternity.

The CAA and Circle K are co-sponsoring the annual Homecoming event.

Circle K is an international collegiate service organization sponsored by Kiwanis that "helps the community and campus through service and fellowship," said Stacey Kreech, UNC Circle K president. Circle K has co-sponsored the event for nine years, Kreech said.

Circle K chooses the judges randomly. This year's judges are Ayo Aterderry, a member of the women's track team; Ben Joyner, a 1992 orientation leader coordinator; Sebastian Shipp, president of the Black Student Movement Gospel Choir; and Peter Wallsten, editor of The Daily Tar Heel.

To earn the title of Mr. UNC, contestants must perform an original Carolina cheer, show their stuff in a talent competition and answer an improvisational question. Crowd response to the performances also is considered by the judges.

In past years, contestants have been known to jump off stage, show off their legs in grass skirts and perform magic tricks.

Critics have said the fund-raising contest was sexist, but Kreech dismissed these worries.

"It's all in fun," he said. "It's just basically a spirit contest, and all the proceeds go for a great cause. It's mainly just a fun and a fund-raising activity for homecoming."

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1991 Mr. UNC winner Ashutosh Kshirsagar performs his skit

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