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LEEWARD COMMUNITY COLLEGE EXPANDS ANNUAL INTERNATIONAL FESTIVAL

PEARL CITY, HAWAII—Leeward Community College presents the 15th Annual International Education Festival on March 12 – 15, 2008. This year, the Festival is expanding to include a culminating day of cultural activities, food and entertainment, entitled “One World.”

The Festival begins with three days of lectures and presentation on “Globalization: Issues and Perspectives,” held on March 12-14 on the Pearl City campus. The Festival opens with a keynote address by Professor Walden Bello, Executive Director of Bangkok-based “Focus on Global South,” on Wednesday, March 12 at 10:00 am in Leeward CC Theatre. Additional presentations include Jon van Dyke speaking on “Globalization and Human Rights” at 11:00 am and Howard Dicus discussing the “Impact of Globalization on the Hawaii Economy” at 12:00 noon. (Complete listing of all presentations attached.)

Topics such as the effects of globalization on the environment, traditional culture and art, and international relations are presented on Thursday and Friday. Participants can also take part in a globalization simulation during Thursday’s session.

The week’s activities culminate with the **“One World” Festival** on Saturday, March 15, 9 a.m. – 2 p.m. in the College’s Eucalyptus and Tuthill Courtyards. The day features a variety of international foods, music, and dance, along with cultural demonstrations, displays and children’s games

The continuous entertainment includes Chinese Lion Dance by Gee Yun International Martial Arts; Mediterranean Music and Dance by Middle Earth; Philippine Kulintang Ensemble by Bernard Ellorin & Group; Japanese Taiko by Japanese Taiko Group (TBC); International Music in the by Air Royal Hawaiian Band, Dennis Nakasone, Director; and Capoiara by Capoiara Hawaii Academy

A variety of international foods such as Lebanese, Thai, Peruvian, Russian and Armenian will be available.

The International Educational Festival is free and open to the public. The event is a joint effort of Leeward Community College and the Pacific and Asian Affairs Council, in cooperation with the National Organization for Traditional Artists Exchange (TRADEX) and the Aiwana Artists & Education Coordination, and funded by the Diversity and Equity Initiative, PacificTel and Wireless, and UNITE HERE Local 5. For more information, call Raymund Liongson, 455-0614 or Judy Kappenberg, 455-0284.

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Leeward Community College 15th International Education Festival

Wednesday, March 12

Leeward CC Theatre

9:00am – 9:50am

Opening Ceremonies
Choral Performance by the Kanikapila Singers
Welcome by Manny Cabral, Interim Chancellor
Awarding of Winners (Essay, Art, and Geography Contest)
Ukulele Performance by Kalei Gamiao

10:00am – 10:50am

Keynote Address
“Globalization: Issues and Perspectives” Walden Bello

11:00am – 11:50am

“Globalization and Human Rights” Jon Van Dyke

12:00pm – 12:50am

“Impact of Globalization on the Hawaii Economy” Howard Dicus

Thursday, March 13

Leeward CC Theatre

9:00am – 10:15am

“ABCs of Globalization” Huia Richard Hutton

10:30 am – 11:45am

Globalization: A Simulation Pacific & Asian Affairs Council

Friday, March 14

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9:00am – 9:50am

“Globalization and the Environment” Josh Cooper

10:00am – 10:50am

“Conflicting Narratives of Globalization” Deane Neubauer

11:00am-11:50am

“US, Globalization, and the Palestinian Conflict” Jess Ghannam

12:00am-12:50pm

“Effects of Globalization on Traditional Culture and Arts” Diane Letoto

ONE WORLD

INTERNATIONAL FESTIVAL

Saturday, March 15, 2008

9:00 am – 2:00 pm

Leeward CC Eucalyptus and Tuthill Courtyards

9:15am

Hawaiian Chant Momi Kamahale

9:30am-10:00am

Chinese Lion Dance Gee Yun Int'l Martial Arts

10:15am – 10:45am

Mediterranean Music and Dance Middle Earth

11:00am-11:20am

Philippine Kulintang Ensemble Bernard Ellorin & Group

11:45am-12:15pm

Japanese Taiko Japanese Taiko Group (TBC)

12:30pm-1:15pm

International Music in the Air Royal Hawaiian Band

1:30pm – 2:00pm

Capoiera Capoiera Hawaii Academy

For more information, call Raymund Liongson at 455-0614 or e-mail liongson@hawaii.edu.

Background on Keynote Speaker

Walden Bello is executive director of Focus on the Global South, professor of sociology and public administration at the University of the Philippines, and a fellow of the Transnational Institute. He is the author of numerous books and articles on Asian issues and globalization. He is currently a columnist for the Philippine Daily Inquirer and Foreign Policy in Focus. He won South Korea's Suh Sang Don Prize in 2001, and in 2003 he was given the Right Livelihood Award, also known as the Alternative Nobel Prize, for "for outstanding efforts in educating civil society about the effects of corporate globalisation, and how alternatives to it can be implemented.

An academic as well as an activist, Bello obtained his PhD in sociology from Princeton University in 1975 and has been a full professor at the University of the Philippines at Diliman since 1997. He has also served as visiting professor at the University of California at Los Angeles (2002), UC Irvine (2006), and UC Santa Barbara (2006). He also taught for four years, 1978-82, at UC Berkeley. He was Chancellor's Fellow at UC Irvine in 2004 and was awarded an honorary PhD by Panteion University in Athens, Greece, in 2005.