

Dear CMLC Community,

The Board and Staff of the CMLC would like to express their support and solidarity with our Ukrainian, Russian and other European communities in this time of war. We stand by the principles of international law and justice, of truth and peace, and with those who support human rights and dignity for all. These crises always have the sad potential to lead to repercussions for immigrant communities, students and allies. Please know that you can count on us to serve as advocates and friends in this time of need.



Winter Fundraiser Event

Chocolate: el sabor del deseo

An invitation to look deeper into the soul of a plant.

Join us for a series of workshops:

- March 5 The History of Cacao (Adult workshop)
- March 6 The Magic of Cacao [Registration Closed]
- March 12 Food of the Gods (Family workshop; supervised children)

All sessions will be held at the Corvallis Multicultural Literacy Center, from 10:00a.m. to 3:00p.m.

Sign-up for one or more of the workshops!

Suggested donation of \$25 per person. All materials included. Activities are hands-on, senses-on. Workshops taught in English.

The CMLC diligently follows all Covid-19 safety protocols.

Cosponsored by Pilos Bakery, Burst's Chocolate, First Alternative Natural Foods Coop South-Town and Oregon Coffee and Tea

Please read below to learn more about our special presenters:

Ann Zweber, RPh

Pharmacologic properties of Theobromine

Ann is a practicing pharmacist, and a Senior Instructor II at Oregon State University College of Pharmacy. Her teaching and scholarship focus on community pharmacy and addressing multicultural needs in health care. She enjoys travel, reading, hiking, and spending time with those she loves.

Patrick Magee

Tempering Chocolate. Tasting Chocolate

Patrick is the first child in a family with a legacy of chefs and a love of good food. He grew early on to love the fine chocolates and candies of Burst's. After graduating from Oregon State University, he lived abroad for three years and learned the art of cooking. In 1996

Patrick moved back home with the intent of returning to Europe after a year to continue his career. While in Corvallis and needing work, Patrick remembered how much he enjoyed his experiences and the chocolates at Burst's as he was growing up. After introducing himself to Don Burck, he was hired on the spot for a dream job, working as a confectioner in the kitchen of Burst's Candies!

Annelie Haberman

Art - Storytelling

Annelie is an educator who is eager to share with youth her passion for nature and food. Besides being a teacher, she is also a potter who aims at having her hands on clay or soil. In everything she does and teaches, Annelie always cultivates curiosity and wonderings about this beautiful world.

Elena Chavarría

SABOR

Doña Elena has a lifelong commitment to community building, contact with nature and wonderings about primitive cultures of the world. Both professionally, and culturally, she combines her wisdom in Storytelling, Art, Biodiversity, Origin and Resources to share with everyone the passion that she finds in living.

Dr. Carlos Valdés

Carlos signs his name with four words under his first and last name, which fully describe his mind "The road not taken." Do not fear! Let him lead the journey into the soul of the Cacao tree as he shares testimonies of his years as student, technical assistant, leading investigator, adjoint professor and Saint (his mother acknowledges him in this category). His multiple fields of research and intricate findings resulting from his professional specialization in Geography will result in an invitation to venture into this workshop; you see... this event is one of those paths with a heart that he explores, and with him as a leader in "the road not taken" will make all the difference! Unveil with his guidance the profound bio-cultural legacy implied in El Sabor del Deseo that we all long for.

The Program Content can be found Here

Registration Form

A big shout-out!

Let this be an opportunity to give special thanks to the volunteers who, with their time, excellent attitude and good ideas, contribute in an essential way to the mission of the Center, so that together we may continue our programs and services, connecting the global and local community in Corvallis.

To all of you, thank you very much!

PROGRAM UPDATES



Would you like to enjoy free virtual Meditation classes in Spanish or English? You can still join our Winter term classes on Zoom. Register here

Meditation Class in Spanish All Levels

Fridays, 12:00 p.m. – 1:00 p.m. Running through March 11th

Class limit: 10

Teacher: Monica Olivera

Meets via Zoom

Meditation Class in English Upper Intermediate

Wednesdays, 1:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.

Running through March 9th

Class limit: No class limit/drop-ins welcome

Teacher: Sarah Cohen

Meets via Zoom



Spring Term Classes

Keep an eye out for more information about our Spring schedule! We are currently in the process of planning classes for next term; you can also find updates directly on our <u>website</u>.

Registration for the Spring term will begin on April, Monday 4th, 2022.



Citizenship and Naturalization Support

CMLC continues to offer free volunteer tutor support for citizenship applications and for preparing for the interview.

This help extends to other immigration issues. In addition, there is a no-interest loan available if paying for fees is a barrier to applications.

In the last two months, four people have successfully gained US citizenship! Congratulations to these new citizens!

A special thanks to volunteers Tom and Isabel Prusinski for their help!

This core service relies on support from the community. <u>Donate Now</u> You will see Citizenship Fund under "Apply my Donation to" section.

For more info about the CMLC Citizenship and Naturalization Support program click here.

If you, or someone you know, is thinking about applying for US citizenship or has other immigration questions, please contact CMLC at info@cmlcenter.org

Join our Team!



We are looking for an **Volunteer Education Coordinator!**A person who is passionate about education, who enjoys organizing teacher groups and making sure things run smoothly for students and teachers in our Corvallis community.

Title: Core Team Volunteer Position - Education Coordinator

Hours: 50 - 60 volunteer hours per term

Let us know that you are interested by writing to the email info@cmlcenter.org

Position Description

HOW CAN YOU HELP?



- Donate online. Your contribution will help ensure the continuation of CMLC programming and services for years to come!
- Volunteer or visit our website for other ways to support the CMLC.
- Reach out to International community members you know or care about. Call, text, or
 email to see how they and their family are doing, how they are feeling, and whether
 any help or support is needed.

Need to get in touch with us? Call us at (541) 632-3890 to reach a staff member. You can still reach us via email at our usual address, info@cmlcenter.org or visit our website www.cmlcenter.org

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