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September Tertulia

Saturday 8 September 2012

Peru & Ecuador: "Machu Picchu and Galapagos islands @ 7:00pm presented by Hugo Otalora



HSV is proud to have Hugo Otálora, committee member of this society, talking about two fantastic places of South America: Machu Picchu and the Galápagos Islands.

Machu Picchu is a pre-Columbian 15th century Inca site located in the Cuzco region of Perú. It was declared a Peruvian Historical Sanctuary in 1981 and a UNESCO World Heritage in 1983. In 2007, Machu Picchu was voted one of the New Seven Wonders of the World.

The Galápagos Islands in Ecuador, another UNESCO World Heritage Centre, are situated in the Pacific Ocean some 1,000 km from the South American continent. They have been called a unique 'living museum and showcase of evolution'

Venue – Lions Club Hall – Corner of Riversdale Road and Station Street, Box Hill South, Melway 61 C3

Members: \$15 Teens: \$ 10 Non Members: \$20

Gala Night – HSV 60 Anniversary Dinner Dance

- Tickets are now on sale
- Venue: Golden Sands Receptions
- Date: Saturday 13 October 2012
- Live entertainment
- Orchestra: Del Barrio
- Cost: \$65
- Early bird: \$60 before 8 September
- Contact: Juanita 0422862205, Esther 0437754358, Gloria 0400157353

Message from the President

The Committee is making the final touches for the September Tertulia. The topic is related to probably two of the most famous touristic icons in South America: Machu Picchu and the Galapagos islands. Typical food from Peru and Ecuador and live entertainment will also be part of the night.

The 60 Anniversary Gala Night is the big celebration of October. Everything is ready for this important event. The sale of tickets has had extraordinary demand and obviously we are all delighted with the response from members and friends of the Society.

On the 29th and 30th of August, my wife Esther and I - representing the Hispanic Society - attended the Melbourne Latin America Dialogue at the University of Melbourne.

It was extremely pleasing to see that the HSV was the only Latin American cultural organisation invited to this international event. Invited speakers were recognised personalities from the mining and agro-business sectors, investors, research institutions, Universities, the president of the Australia-Brazil Chamber of Commerce, the Chairman of the Latin America Business Council, the Consul-General of Australia to Colombia, the Honorary Consul of Australia to Rio de Janeiro and Ambassadors from Argentina, Uruguay, Ecuador, Mexico, Chile and Cuba. Representing the Parliament of Victoria was Telmo Languiller.

The Dialogue explored the different ways Victoria and Latin America can utilise to implement collaboration programs in different sectors. It is for all known that Latin America is an emerging global economy with significant technological, sustainability, legal and financing expertise. In this positive environment, it is quite obvious that our Society can play an important and decisive role. My vision is to see the HSV having a more influential voice in future events.

Hasta pronto

Luis Alban

Mexico Tertulia



The August Tertulia was an absorbing experience for the big audience attending the Box Hill Hall. Octavio Martinez - Vice-president of the Society – talked about the Aztec Empire and its legacy.

The Aztecs were a Pre-Columbian Mesoamerican people of central Mexico. They called themselves **Mexica**. From the 13th century, the Valley of Mexico was the heart of Aztec civilization: its capital, the city of Tenochtitlan, was built upon raised islets in Lake Texcoco. The Aztecs formed a tributary empire expanding its political hegemony far beyond the Valley of Mexico, conquering other city states throughout Mesoamerica. At its pinnacle Aztec culture reached complex mythological and religious traditions, as well as remarkable architectural and artistic accomplishments. In 1521 Hernan Cortez, along with a large number of Nahuatl speaking indigenous allies, conquered Tenochtitlan and defeated the Aztecs under the leadership of Hueve Tlatoani Moctezuma II. Subsequently the Spaniards founded the new settlement of Mexico City on the site of the ruined Aztec capital. From there they initiated the campaign of colonizing Central America.

<http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Aztec>

Complete Octavio's power point presentation together with photos and videos of this Tertulia can be seen in our HSV website:

<http://www.hispanicsocietyinc.org>

Everyone enjoyed the night that in many ways offered a taste of the authentic Mexican culture with food, dance and music.

New Member

On behalf of the HSV I would like to extend a warm welcome to our new member Rocca Salcedo. Our organisation has now 76 financial members.

Calendar of HSV Events 2012 – 2013

Saturday 8 September	Machu Picchu and Galapagos Islands	7:00pm	11:00pm
Saturday 13 October	Gala Night "60 Years Celebration HSV"	6:15 pm	12:00 am
Saturday 17 November	Venezuela	7:00pm	11:00pm
Sunday 9 December	Christmas Lunch	12:00pm	4:00pm
Saturday 16 Marzo/13	Uruguay	7:00pm	11:00pm
Sunday 14 April/13	AGM	12:00 pm	4:00 pm

Highlights from the Melbourne Latin America

Dialogue

- Latin America was the only region in the world in achieving sustained economic growth despite the recent economic crisis
- The combined GDP of the Spanish speaking countries is 4th in the world only behind of traditional stronger economies like the USA, Japan and now China
- Collaboration projects between Australia and Latin America exist not only in the mining sector but also in agriculture, hydraulic resources and biotechnology (research on genetically modified food)
- BHP is now looking for potential investment projects in Chile and Colombia after the Olympic Dam project in Australia was downsized
- Cuba is world leader in health services with more than 50,000 doctors and health technicians helping in needed regions around the world
- The Australian foreign aid to Latin America increased from 9 m to 27 m in 2011
- There are 30,000 Latin American students enrolled in Australian institutions
- In recent years the enrolment of local students learning Spanish has increased by 600%

<http://www.latinamericadialogue.unimelb.edu.au/>

August Tertulia - Saturday 11, 2012



Other Events of Interest

melbourne
filmoteca

latin american, spanish and portuguese film group

Bar El Chino

4th September
7:30 pm, ACMI

Director: Daniel Burak
Country: Argentina
Year: 2003
Time running: 100 mins
Language: Spanish with English subtitles

Unclassified 18+

Tickets: Full \$15,
Concession & Latin Lover
Members \$12, Parties of 8
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www.acmi.net.au/ticket

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