

# GEORGIA COUNCIL FOR INTERNATIONAL VISITORS

CONNECTING GEORGIANS TO THE WORLD SINCE 1962

## about the georgia council for international visitors

GCIV builds relationships between the people of our state and leaders around the world. Our vision is that every Georgia citizen has the opportunity to be more globally engaged. We are a 501(c)3 nonprofit organization dedicated to "Connecting Georgians to the World" since 1962. GCIV works with the U.S. Department of State to develop a broad spectrum of professional and cultural exchange programs for emerging global leaders. Our non-partisan citizen diplomacy programs provide Georgians with unique opportunities to share best practices, insights and friendship with distinguished visitors to the United States.

GCIV administers the U.S. Department of State's International Visitor Leadership Program (IVLP) in the state of Georgia. Launched in 1940, the IVLP seeks to build mutual understanding between the United States and other nations through carefully designed professional visits to the U.S. for current and emerging foreign leaders. U.S. ambassadors consistently rank the IVLP as most effective in a long list of public diplomacy tools at their disposal. GCIV is one of 90 community-based organizations around the country that implement this impressive program on behalf of the U.S. government. In 2001 our national network was nominated for the Nobel Peace Prize for its efforts to foster international understanding.



*Mayor of Atlanta Kasim Reed and Deputy Chief Operating Officer Luz Borrero with a delegation of Pakistani government officials.*

**Since the program's inception, over 250 participants in the International Visitor Leadership Program have gone on to serve as heads of government and chiefs of state, including:**

<b>Hamid Karzai, Afghanistan</b>	<b>Adnan Badran, Jordan</b>
<b>Gordon Brown, United Kingdom</b>	<b>Mwai Kibaki, Kenya</b>
<b>Anwar Sadat, Egypt</b>	<b>Felipe Calderon, Mexico</b>
<b>Nicolas Sarkozy, France</b>	<b>Kim Dae-Jung, South Korea</b>
<b>Mikheil Saakashvili, Georgia</b>	<b>Frederik de Klerk, South Africa</b>
<b>Indira Gandhi, India</b>	<b>Oscar Arias, Costa Rica</b>

## 2010 international visitor programs

In our fiscal year 2010, GCIV welcomed 362 overseas visitors through the International Visitor Leadership Program and various fee-for-service programs. These visitors came to Georgia on 70 different programs, ranging from individuals to groups of 20 or more. Participants represented 96 different countries.

The delegations hosted by GCIV were quite a varied group, including public health officials, lawyers, judges, civil servants, NGO representatives, religious leaders, business executives, educators,

journalists, elected officials, community activists, musicians, librarians, entrepreneurs and financial experts. In addition to coordinating programs for the U.S. Department of State's International Visitor Leadership Program (IVLP), GCIV has attracted a wide variety of fee-for-service (FFS) programs. While very similar in substance to the IVLP, these programs are funded separately. In the past year, GCIV has completed programs for the Academy for Educational Development, Library of Congress, Meridian International Center, Phelps Stokes, USAID and World Learning.

### FY 2010 IVLP Totals

quarter	# of programs	# of visitors
1	9	62
2	20	79
3	14	54
4	19	131
<b>totals</b>	<b>62</b>	<b>326</b>

### FY 2010 FFS Totals

quarter	# of programs	# of visitors
1	1	5
2	0	0
3	4	16
4	3	15
<b>totals</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>36</b>

# gciv international exchange participants

GCIV welcomed delegations from 96 countries to the state of Georgia in fiscal year 2010. Here are the countries represented and the number of visitors per country:

Albania	1	Germany	10	Pakistan	11
Algeria	5	Ghana	2	Palestinian Territories	1
Argentina	1	Greece	2	Paraguay	1
Australia	1	Guinea	5	People's Republic of China	1
Bahamas	1	Haiti	4	Philippines	1
Bangladesh	2	Hong Kong	1	Poland	3
Barbados	1	Hungary	1	Romania	1
Belarus	4	India	7	Russia	11
Belgium	1	Indonesia	10	Saudi Arabia	9
Belize	1	Iraq	28	Senegal	6
Benin	2	Israel	1	Serbia	1
Botswana	1	Italy	2	Slovak Republic	1
Brazil	22	Jamaica	2	South Africa	5
Bulgaria	2	Japan	2	South Korea	1
Burkina Faso	2	Jordan	2	Spain	1
Burma	1	Kazakhstan	16	Sudan	1
Cambodia	2	Kosovo	2	Suriname	1
Cameroon	1	Kuwait	1	Syria	29
Cape Verde	1	Kyrgyz Republic	3	Tajikistan	1
Central African Republic	3	Laos	2	Tanzania	1
Chad	1	Latvia	5	Thailand	2
Colombia	1	Madagascar	2	Togo	3
Cote d'Ivoire	2	Mali	2	Trinidad and Tobago	1
Democratic Republic of Congo	4	Mauritius	1	Tunisia	2
Denmark	1	Mexico	8	Turkey	1
Dominican Republic	5	Mongolia	1	Ukraine	5
Egypt	4	Montenegro	2	United Arab Emirates	1
Eritrea	1	Morocco	5	United Kingdom	2
Finland	1	Nepal	1	Uzbekistan	9
France	5	Netherlands	3	Vietnam	3
Gaza	1	Niger	2	West Bank	1
Georgia	11	Nigeria	12	Yemen	6

## today i met . . .



Indonesian investigative journalists visit the student newspaper staff at the Atlanta International School.

**Today I Met . . .** is a unique educational initiative connecting global professionals to students in Georgia's public and private schools. GCIV staff and educators work together to ensure a two-way learning process during these carefully designed school visits. International visitors

make presentations about their countries and areas of expertise and in turn students share their unique perspectives with visitors and convey what life looks like from an American student's point of view. **Today I Met . . .** is a mutually beneficial collaboration serving to enrich various aspects of schools' social studies curricula as well as international visitors' understanding of life in the U.S.

Schools that participated in the 2010 program include Atlanta International School, International Community School and elementary, middle and high schools in DeKalb County Schools and Atlanta Public Schools. These schools hosted 33 visitors from 16 different countries including Bangladesh, Belarus, France, Georgia, Hong Kong, India, Indonesia, Iraq, Japan, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyz Republic, Maldives, Mongolia, Morocco, Paraguay and Tajikistan.



French musician and record label owner Ekoue Labitey with students from North Druid Hills High School.

# complete list of delegations

## October 28-31 - Saudi Arabia

Seven Educators

*Focus: Religious and Public Education*

## November 5-10 - Multi-Regional

Eight Law Enforcement and Government Representatives

*Focus: International Crime*

## November 11-17 - Kazakhstan

Three Civil Society Leaders

*Focus: Human Rights Advocacy and Awareness*

## November 14-21 - Ukraine

Five Judges

*Focus: Rule of Law*

## November 19-24 - Syria

Nine Government Planners

*Focus: Urban Planning*

## November 22-28 - Brazil

Three Public Health Officials

*Focus: Public Health*

## December 1-5 - Multi-Regional

Seventeen Public Health Officials

*Focus: HIV/AIDS Education/Prevention*

## December 3-6 - Uzbekistan

Five Government Officials

*Focus: Forensic Laboratories*

## December 8-12 - Uzbekistan

Four Civil Society Leaders

*Focus: Women as NGO Leaders*

## December 13-16 - Algeria

Five Government Officials

*Focus: Technological Innovation*

## January 17-21 - Mongolia

One Social Worker

*Focus: Adoption*

## January 24-27 - Latvia

Five Law Enforcement and Civil Society Representatives

*Focus: Human Trafficking*

## January 27-30 - France

One Government Official

*Focus: Biotechnology, Public Health and the Environment*

## January 27-31 - India

Two Government Officials

*Focus: Environmental Protection*

## February 2-6 - Pakistan

Five Government Officials

*Focus: State and Local Government*



Jamaican bank representative Dwight Jackson at a Members Only Reception with GCIV Ambassadors Circle member Rosie Davidson and GCIV staff member Emily O'Harris.

## February 9-12 - Georgia

Five Government Officials

*Focus: Municipal Elections*

## February 9-13 - Near East Asia and North Africa

Eight Government and NGO Representatives

*Focus: Human Rights Advocacy and Awareness*

## February 14-17 - Russia

Five Labor Leaders

*Focus: Labor Rights Protection*

## February 24-27 - Indonesia

Five Journalists

*Focus: Investigative Journalism*

## March 2-5 - Belarus

Three Public Health Officials

*Focus: Global Health*

## March 3-7 - Belgium

One NGO Representative

*Focus: Interfaith and Minority Issues*

## March 6-10 - South Africa

Five Television Executives

*Focus: TV Management*

## March 7-10 - Japan

One Journalist

*Focus: Immigration*

## March 17-21 - Indonesia

One Journalist

*Focus: TV Management*

## March 18-24 - Indonesia

Two Veterinarians

*Focus: Human and Animal Diseases*

## March 20-24 - France

One Hip Hop Musician

*Focus: Music and Social Commentary*

## March 23-27 - Central/Western Africa

Eighteen Judges and Lawyers

*Focus: Administration of Justice*

## March 30 - April 3 - Morocco

One Musician

*Focus: Hip Hop as Social Change*

## April 4-8 - Iraq

Five Teachers and Professors

*Focus: English as a Second Language*

## April 7-10 - Brazil

Three Judges and Lawyers

*Focus: Child Abduction*

## April 8-13 - Central Asia

Five Public Health Officials

*Focus: Food Safety*

## April 17-22 - The Netherlands

One NGO Representative

*Focus: NGO Management Strategies*

# complete list of delegations



Mongolian visitor, Bold Sanduijav, at the Martin Luther King, Jr. National Historic Site.

## April 18-22 - Morocco

Four Social Activists  
*Focus: Violence Against Women*

## April 21-25 - Hong Kong and Paraguay

Two Youth Organizers  
*Focus: Volunteerism*

## April 28 - May 4 - Multi-Regional

Three Judges  
*Focus: U.S. Judicial System*

## April 29 - May 4 - Romania

One Public Health Official  
*Focus: Disaster Management*

## May 9-12 - Australia

One Union Representative  
*Focus: U.S. Labor Unions*

## May 16-19 - Brazil

Six Government and Business Leaders  
*Focus: Racial and Ethnic Discrimination*

## May 19-22 - Brazil

Ten Youth Activists  
*Focus: Racial Equality*

## May 19-22 - Pakistan

Six Public Health Officials  
*Focus: Food Safety*

## May 21-29 - Russia

Five Business Leaders and Social Activists  
*Focus: Accountable Governance*

## May 26-29 - Denmark and The Netherlands

One Nurse and One Public Policy Officer  
*Focus: Public Health Issues*

## June 9-12 - Germany

Ten Government Officials  
*Focus: Clean Technology and Environmental Impact*

## June 22-25 Belarus

One Medical Chair  
*Focus: Global Health*

## June 27-30 - Poland

One Deputy Director  
*Focus: Transportation*

## July 1-6 - Multi-Regional

Five Librarians and Policy Makers  
*Focus: American Libraries*

## July 8-10 - Italy

One United Nations Representative  
*Focus: Humanitarian Assistance*

## July 10-14 - Poland

One Social Activist  
*Focus: Humanitarian Issues*

## July 20-25 - Iraq

Ten Journalists and Editors  
*Focus: Civil Society and the Media*

## July 21-24 - Caribbean

Four Bank Representatives  
*Focus: Financial Systems*

## July 22-27 - Multi-Regional Africa

Twenty Journalists  
*Focus: Broadcast Journalism*

## August 4-25 - Kazakhstan

Ten Doctors, Nurses, Government Officials and NGO Representatives  
*Focus: Management/Social Support of TB*

## August 8-11 - Kazakhstan

Four Finance Officials  
*Focus: Money Laundering*

## August 14-19 - Southeast Asia

Eight Public Health Officials  
*Focus: Respiratory Diseases*

## August 21-25 - Japan

One Human Rights Institute Researcher  
*Focus: Human Trafficking*

## August 27 - September 1 - Multi-Regional

Nineteen Delegates  
*Focus: Sustainable Development*

## August 29 - September 1 - United Kingdom

One Arts Center Associate Director  
*Focus: Art and Community Engagement*

## September 1-4 - Mexico

Five Librarians  
*Focus: U.S. Libraries*

## September 1-4 - Dominican Republic and Haiti

Eight University Representatives  
*Focus: Higher Education*

## September 8-10 - Italy

One United Nations Officer  
*Focus: Urban Development*

## September 11-14 - Syria

Ten University, Ministry of Education and United Nations High Commission for Refugees Officials  
*Focus: Higher Education*

## September 15-20 - The Netherlands

One Ministry of Finance Trader  
*Focus: Economic Development*

## September 19-23 - Georgia

Six Medical Directors and Doctors  
*Focus: Health Practices*

## September 22-25 - United Kingdom

One Law Enforcement Official  
*Focus: Counter-Terrorism*

## September 22-25 - Iraq

Five University Deans  
*Focus: Women's Universities*

## September 30 - October 6 - Multi-Regional

Seven Judges  
*Focus: Judicial Systems*

## October 2-6 - Yemen

Three NGO Directors, One Professor and One Editor  
*Focus: NGO Management*

## October 3-6 - Syria

Ten Urban and Regional Planners  
*Focus: Urban Planning*

## October 5-10 - Nigeria

Ten Delegates  
*Focus: Religious Freedom and Interfaith Dialogue*

## delegation spotlight

In March 2010, GCIV arranged a professional visit for five E-TV executives from South Africa who were participants in the U.S. Department of State's International Visitor Leadership Program. E-TV is South Africa's only independent, free-to-air television station whose income is solely based on advertising revenue. E-TV's 24-hour news service is the first independent Pan-African channel broadcasting from South Africa into the continent on satellite TV. During the delegation's visit, the participants sought to gain a thorough understanding of a variety of broadcast and revenue generation models in the U.S. television industry.

While in Atlanta, the South African delegation met with representatives from Atlanta Interfaith Broadcasters, Fitzgerald+CO, CBS Radio, People TV and CNN International. The group also toured the Martin Luther King, Jr. National Historic Site and networked with GCIV members at a members only reception hosted by the Metro Atlanta Chamber of Commerce and the South African-American Chamber of Commerce.



*Five executives from South Africa's E-TV outside of The CNN Center global headquarters.*

**"The really crucial link in the international communications chain is the last three feet, which is bridged by personal contact, one person talking to another ."**

*— Edward R. Murrow*

## delegation spotlight



*NeighborWorks' CEO Cathy Williams, GCIV volunteer Mrs. Richard Hallock and Dutch delegate Fatma Kaya.*

In April 2010, GCIV hosted Fatma Kaya, a diversity consultant and founder of her own NGO from the Netherlands, who was participating in the U.S. Department of State's International Visitor Leadership Program. During her visit, Kaya studied NGO management practices, including how to promote diversity, build leadership and grow businesses. She also examined the policies for the career advancement of female employees, programs aimed at empowering youth, laws that protect against discrimination in the workplace and fundraising best practices.

While in Atlanta, Kaya met with representatives from the Georgia Department of Economic Development, former Secretary of State Karen Handel's office, Georgia State University's Andrew Young School of Policy Studies, Azizah Magazine, Georgia Center for Nonprofits and Agnes Scott College's Center for Women's Global Leadership. She spent a day in Columbus, meeting with mayoral candidate Teresa Tomlinson and NeighborWorks' CEO Cathy Williams, as well as GCIV volunteer Mrs. Richard Hallock. In addition, Kaya enjoyed touring the Martin Luther King, Jr. National Historic Site and experiencing home hospitality with GCIV volunteer hosts Dana Greene and Richard Roesel.

# fee-for-service programs

## community connections

In August 2010, GCIV hosted a Community Connections delegation of 10 from Kazakhstan. The delegation of doctors, nurses, government representatives, NGO leaders and prison system officials spent three weeks in Georgia studying successful U.S. models for management and social support for Tuberculosis patients. TB is an acute problem in Kazakhstan's penitentiary system and the treatment follow-up of released prisoners poses challenges to TB control. The eastern province, where the delegates work, has one of the highest Multi-Drug Resistant (MDR) TB rates in the country.

While in Atlanta, the group met with representatives from the American Lung Association, Grady Infectious Disease Clinic, Mercy Mobile Healthcare, Piedmont Hospital, RESULTS, Georgia Department of Human Services, Department of Community Health, Emory Vaccine Center and School of Medicine, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, Metro State Prison, Georgia Department of Corrections, Morehouse School of Medicine, United States Penitentiary, Dekalb County Board of Health, Atlanta Union Mission, Fulton County Department of Health and Wellness and Project Open Hand.



Kazakh delegates Bibigul Bekibayeva and Gulnara Mussabalinova.



The Kazakh delegation volunteers at Project Open Hand.



The Kazakh delegation tours the old south during a weekend visit to Savannah.

## open world

Five Russian leaders participating in an Open World program visited Georgia in May 2010 to examine accountable governance. Open World enables emerging Eurasian political and civic leaders to work with their U.S. counterparts and experience American-style democracy at the local level.

The delegation met with representatives from Wesleyan College, Mercer University, State Ethics Commission of Georgia, Georgia AFL-CIO, Common Cause Georgia, Women's Actions for New Directions and Arnall Golden Gregory, LLP. In addition, the group met with Mayor Robert Reicher of Macon, faculty of the University of Georgia and



Open World participants at a reception at the home of Miller and Carolyn Williams.

The delegates were home-hosted by the following GCIV volunteers for the duration of their visit: *Ted and Gudrun Chapman, David and Beverly Clyde, Elsa Duel, Carol Emmons, Jenni Heerink, Ron and Bethany Lane, Margaret Pumper, Vicki Van Der Hoek and Steve and Sara Yurman*. They also enjoyed a weekend trip to Savannah and cultural visits to the Atlanta Botanical Gardens, CNN Studios, Fernbank Museum of Natural History, Georgia Aquarium, Martin Luther King, Jr. National Historic Site and Stone Mountain Park.

The Community Connections Program, managed by the Bureau for Europe and Eurasia at the U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID) and administered by World Learning, is designed to promote public diplomacy through the exchange of cultural ideas and values among participants, U.S. families and local community host organizations. The program seeks to establish and strengthen links between U.S. communities and communities in Armenia, Azerbaijan, Belarus, Georgia, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyz Republic, Moldova, Russia, Tajikistan, Turkmenistan, Ukraine and Uzbekistan.



Russian delegates visit Wesleyan College in Macon and meet with staff to discuss women's leadership.

attended a panel discussion on "Women in Leadership" at Agnes Scott College's Center for Women's Global Leadership. They were also accompanied for a portion of their program by Ambassador John O'Keefe, executive director of the Open World program at the Library of Congress.

Home hospitality with Atlanta GCIV volunteers and overnight homestays with Macon hosts enabled the delegates to experience American family life. They also visited the Martin Luther King, Jr. National Historic Site, CNN Studios and the Fernbank Museum of Natural History.

## community programs

### hosting

In 2010, over 400 professional resources and 50 community hosts served as citizen diplomats on behalf of the Georgia Council for International Visitors. The professional meetings resulted in the sharing of best practices between emerging leaders from around the world and their counterparts in the state of Georgia. This valuable experience often leads to collaboration with colleagues abroad. Home hospitality gives international exchange participants the opportunity to share a meal in an American home, meet everyday citizens and learn about the culture of the United States. Time and time again, international delegates rate dinner hospitality as the experience that most clearly showed them the true America.

All GCIV professional and dinner hosts are volunteers. We cannot list all four hundred professional resources, but would like to thank them and the many members who hosted one or more international visitors by sharing a meal and opening their homes in 2010:

Anna Alford	Anne & Jerry Godsey	Bethany & Ron Lane
Dorner Carmichael	Laurie & Scott Nichols	Queen &
Lorraine Caribbean	Dana Greene &	Emmanuel Meheux
Gudrun & Ted Chapman	Richard Roesel	Carol Niemi
DJ & Dan Clancy	Carmen Gubser &	Lee Pasackow
Toni Daya Lutgers	Christoph Roithner	Margaret Pumper
Beverly & David Clyde	Beatriz Golden-Hayes &	Gerry & Fred Scheer
Sussi Craig	Ricardo Hayes	Helga Siegal
Charlotte & Bob Czekala	Sue & Jim Heerin	Nettie & Don Silva
Rosie & Lindsay Davidson	Jenneke Heerink	Caroline & Frank Sizer
Suzanne Doonan	Patrycja Horodyska	Kathy Stege
Alicja Drolet	Charles Hubert	Vicki Van Der Hoek
Elsa Duel	Alexia & Benedikt Ibing	Steven White
Carol Emmons	Robert &	Carolyn &
Steve & Scarlett Farr	Vevonna Kennedy	Miller Williams
Allen Freedman	Joel Kollin	Sara & Steve Yurman
Rusty & Dick George	Reinhold Krickl	Joan Zenteno



GCIV envoy members, Cheryl Hammock and Obinna Morton, after lunch with British delegate Detective Clark Jarrett.



Indian delegate Swapna Banerjee experiences 4th of July with GCIV hosts Ricardo and Beatriz Golden-Hayes.



Brazilian delegation studying social justice and the Olympic Games.

### international women associates



IWA members at the annual summer garden party at the home of Lindsay and Rosie Davidson.

The International Women Associates is a group of dedicated GCIV volunteers who meet in members' homes for friendship and cultural enrichment. Formed in 1978, IWA brings together women to build friendships and help international newcomers become oriented to life in Atlanta through a network of support and activities. Other members are North Americans who have lived abroad or have interests in international affairs. Monthly programs on cultural and educational topics enhance the personal and professional growth of the members and promote understanding of other cultures and goodwill among the IWA members.

The 2009-10 series was once again a success, featuring educational and cultural programs on Children's Healthcare of Atlanta, Cyprus, Eid, Ikebana, investing, Tibetan Buddhism and more. Over 100 members and guests participated in IWA programs this year.

# community programs

## global lunch forums

GCIV further connects our delegations to the community through Global Lunch Forums. Our members and the community at large are invited to a brown bag lunch and briefing from an international delegation in town. This is a unique opportunity to meet leaders in a variety of fields from all over the world for dialogue.

The international guests share their work with local citizens, and then an engaging discussion begins. The conversation ranges from the visitors' profession, homeland and experiences, to relating common issues in the United States and abroad.

GCIV organized 11 Global Lunch Forums for nearly 200 participants in our fiscal year 2010. The topics and participants showcased a variety of professional backgrounds in a global context. Some of the topics were: Biotechnology Development in France, Human Rights in Senegal, Interfaith and Minority Issues in Belgium, Transportation in Poland, A Japanese Perspective on Human Trafficking, Performing Arts in the United Kingdom and Refugee Policy in the European Union.



Aneta Sarna, a representative of the Polish Humanitarian Action Foundation, speaks about her work at a GCIV Global Lunch Forum.



Human rights defenders from Kazakhstan.



Public health officials from Brazil.

## great decisions

GCIV serves as the state coordinator for the Foreign Policy Association's Great Decisions Program. In this role, GCIV helps coordinate discussion groups and lecture series that give participants the opportunity to expand their understanding of world affairs. Topics change annually, and are based on the FPA's non-partisan briefing book. Nearly 300

people participated in the GCIV Foreign Policy Lecture Series and in 17 discussion groups across the state. These community groups met in Atlanta, Clayton, Decatur, Roswell, McDonough and Dunwoody, and outside metro-Atlanta in Athens, Carrollton, Columbus, Demorest and Macon.



Nearly 300 people participate in the GCIV Great Decisions Foreign Policy Lecture Series hosted by the Dunwoody United Methodist Church.

### 2010 Foreign Policy Lecture Series

**1/28 - Special Envoys:** Dr. Marion Creekmore, Jr. Visiting Professor at Emory University, former U.S. Ambassador to Sri Lanka, Deputy Chief of Mission in India, Deputy Afghan Coordinator.

**2/04 - Kenya and R2P:** Paul Zwier II, Director of Emory's Program for International Advocacy and Dispute Resolution and law professor.

**2/11 - Peacebuilding and Conflict Resolution:** Dr. Rashid Naim, Senior Lecturer of Political Science at Georgia State University and Member of the Muslim Speakers' Bureau.

**2/18 - U.S.-China Security Relations:** Dr. Fei-Ling Wan, Professor at the Sam Nunn School of International Affairs, Georgia Institute Of Technology.

**2/25 - Global Financial Crisis:** Sheila Tschinkel, Former U.S. Treasury Economic Advisor to Ukraine.

**3/04 - Russia and its Neighbors:** Dr. Thomas Remington, Professor of Political Science at Emory University and founding director of Emory's program in Russian and East European Studies.

**3/11 - The Persian Gulf:** Dr. Michael Herb, Associate Professor of Political Science and acting Director of the Middle East Institute at Georgia State University.

**3/18 - Global Crime:** Dr. Justin Hastings, Assistant Professor Professor at the Sam Nunn School of International Affairs, Georgia Institute of Technology.

## envoy

Young professionals in metro Atlanta have the opportunity to network with each other and emerging leaders from all over the world through Envoy. GCIV offers special events to engage young members and give visiting international delegations the chance to socialize with Georgia's next generation of leaders. In 2010 Envoy members interacted with

delegations at the Atlanta Botanical Gardens' Cocktails in the Garden, Central Atlanta Progress's Downtowners, CNN Studio Tour, the Georgia Aquarium's Friday Night Jazz, Fernbank Museum of Natural History's Martinis & Imax, 2010 FIFA World Cup viewing parties, Films that Matter, Screen on the Green and more.

## international consular ball

GCIV's International Consular Ball continues to be Atlanta's premier international event. Nearly 300 of Atlanta's business and civic leaders hosted 39 members of the Consular Corps at the Atlanta History Center for the 29th annual International Consular Ball on Friday, April 30th, 2010. GCIV proudly hosts the black-tie gala each year to honor the men and women serving as consular representatives in Georgia.

Guests enjoyed museum exhibitions, an elegant dinner, exciting raffle prizes, live entertainment and dancing in the beautiful Grand Overlook Ballroom. The raffle prize donations from the Consular Corps and local businesses raised funds to support GCIV's work to build international understanding and cooperation. GCIV extends special thanks to the corporate partners and patrons for their support of GCIV's citizen diplomacy work and the 29th annual International Consular Ball.



Members of the Consular Corps at GCIV's International Consular Ball.

## international dining experiences

International Dining Experiences give members the chance to meet visiting delegations in a more informal, social environment. IDEs take place at a different ethnic restaurant around the 15th of the month. Members are encouraged to bring friends and neighbors as an introduction to GCIV. Many of our hosts enjoy this opportunity to meet other members while sampling exotic cuisines. In 2010, GCIV organized eight IDEs events involving over 300 hundred guests. GCIV also hosted world-wide delegations of CNN Journalism Fellows at two of the IDEs. Restaurants included Malaya, Mambo's Cuban Cafe, Desta Ethiopian Kitchen, Cafe Bombay Indian Bistro, Pho Bac, No Mas! Cantina, Nicola's Lebanese Restaurant and Nakato Japanese Restaurant.



A world-wide delegation of CNN Journalism fellows.



Steve Wallace, Ka'rinn Gardner and Virginia Sileikaite-Thoresen at Nicola's Lebanese Restaurant.



Ambassadors Circle members Charlie and Nancy Bedford and GCIV members Bill and Mary Moon with Vietnamese delegate Hung Le Minh and Cambodian delegate Nora Chea.

## internship program

GCIV's Internship Program allows us to more effectively partner with universities by offering practical experience to students. Participants receive training in the field of international affairs and learn about issues affecting Atlanta and the world. In addition to assisting with the International Visitor Leadership Program, interns are given the

chance to attend GCIV community programs to further their exposure to Atlanta's international sector. This year GCIV trained two interns from the Georgia Institute of Technology and the University of Pennsylvania.

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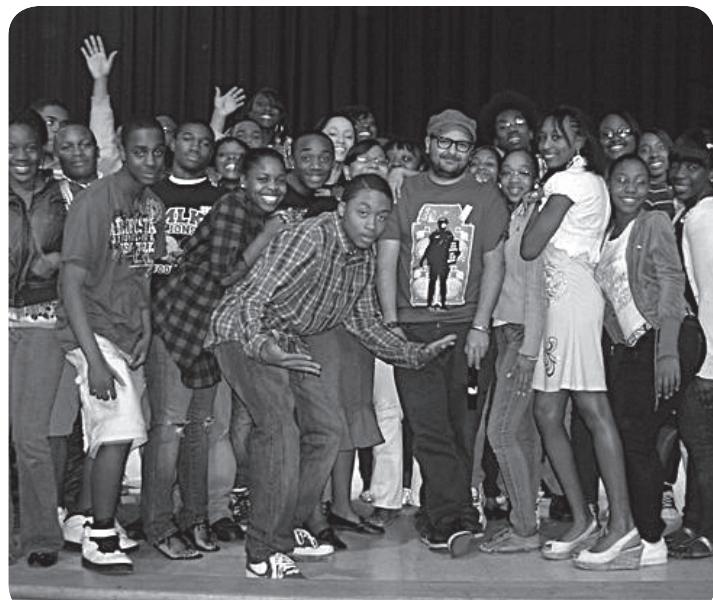
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## delegation spotlight

Last March, GCIV hosted Moroccan musician Reda Allali. Allali is the founder of the popular fusion band Hoba Hoba Spirit. The band regularly performs at the country's most prominent festivals because its artistry and Arabic, French and English lyrics attract a multitude of young people. Most of the band's songs revolve around different social issues such as injustice, corruption and unemployment, yet carry an optimistic tone. Allali is also a well respected journalist with the French weekly *Tel Quel*. He writes a regular feature for the paper called "Zakaria Boualem," a widely read column that addresses current events such as elections and local government issues in a satirical way. While participating in the U.S. State Department's International Visitor Leadership Program, Allali met with independent American artists and journalists whom, like him, address politics, society, environment, human rights and other relevant social issues. He traveled to Atlanta to deepen his understanding of Hip Hop music in the U.S. and its adaptation as a form of artistic and socio-political expression.

While in Atlanta, Allali met with various influential figures in the Atlanta Hip Hop community including breakdance group Burn Unit, illustrator Dubelyoo, emcee Senor Kaos, urban marketer Bem and volunteers at Georgia State's Hip Hop Congress. He toured Atlantic Records and sat in on a Stankonia recording session. He took a day trip to Athens to meet with representatives from Flagpole Magazine, band Dubconscious and University of Georgia's WUOG 90.5FM student radio station. Allali particularly enjoyed interacting with music students at Martin Luther



*Moroccan delegate Reda Allali with music students from Martin Luther King, Jr. High School.*

King, Jr. High School. He also visited the Martin Luther King, Jr. National Historic Site, attended an NBA basketball game and had the opportunity to be a guest on Georgia Tech's WREK 91.1FM student radio station.

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