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Academic Stimulus Policy

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CULTURAL AFFAIRS/DISTINGUISHED LECTURE SERIES

GRANT APPLICATION

I. Applicant/Organization: Graduate Student Government

II. a. Responsible Organization Officer: Patrick Spinney, Vice President

b. Title: Academic Stimulus Package by Jorge Cham of PHD Comics

c. Campus Address (include Email and Telephone): A: 62 Stodder Hall, T: 207 992-6649
E: patrick_spinney@umit.maine.edu

III. Summary of program requiring funding (title; featured artist(s); speaker(s); scheduled date(s):

Title – Academic Stimulus Policy

Featuring – Jorge Cham, PHD Comics

Date & time – April 14th at 5:00pm

Location – Arthur St. John Hill Auditorium, ESRB

A recent survey by U.C. Berkeley found that 95% of all graduate students feel overwhelmed, and over 67% have felt seriously depressed at some point in their careers. In this talk, Jorge Cham recounts his experiences bringing humor into the lives of stressed out academics, examines the source of their anxieties and explores the guilt, the myth, and the power of procrastination.

The Graduate Student Government is bringing Jorge Cham, the artist behind PHD Comics, to speak during this year's Graduate Research Exposition (Expo). PHD Comics are widely read by graduate students across all disciplines and we all can relate to them. We will be using this speaker to help draw students and faculty to the Expo and the Expo Gala event (which will directly follow Cham's presentation).

IV. Budget Proposal Form must be attached.

Funding for current application is contingent upon submission of reports for any previous grant awards, including final budget and attendance figures.

SEND COMPLETED APPLICATION VIA EMAIL TO: wanda.maddencarr@maine.edu

For questions regarding the Cultural Affairs/Distinguished Lecture Series, please contact Wanda Madden-Carr at 1-1516

Approved
\$1,339

Cultural Affairs/Distinguished Lecture Series Fund Budget Proposal Form

Applicant/Organization: Graduate Student Government
 Responsible Officer: Patrick Spinney, Vice President
 Event Title: Academic Stimulus Package / Expo Keynote
 Event Date: April 14th at 5pm in Hill Auditorium, ESRB

Total Program Budget: \$ 2908
 Amount Committed by Applicant Organization: \$ 1569
 Total Amount Requested from Other Funding Sources: \$ 0
 Please List Sources & Amounts below:

Amount Requested from CA/DLS Committee: \$ 1339*
 Revenues, if any, expected (fees, ticket sales): 0

Budget Breakdown of Expenses and funds to be used:	CADLS	Other
Honoraria/Services (explain below)	\$1100	\$1100
Honorarium for Jorge Cham of PHD Comics		
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Travel	\$ 200	\$ 251
Travel from LAX by air (coach) to BGR (\$451, Lowest cost)		
Lodging/Meals (2 days, 1 night)	\$ 39	\$ 118
Advertising	\$ _____	\$ _____
Printing	\$ _____	\$ 100
Supplies and Materials	\$ _____	\$ _____
Other (must specify below)	\$ _____	\$ _____
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Total Expenses from CA/DLS funds: \$ 1339*
 Total Expenses from other funds: \$ 1569
 (These two totals should equal the "Total Program Budget" listed above)

*These amounts should be identical and should not exceed 50% of the total program/event budget. Please note that CA/DLS funds may not be used for receptions and do not normally fund UM employee wages. If an award is granted based on this proposal, reimbursement of expenses will not exceed the total CA/DLS request and will be limited to the types of expenditures outlined above.

From:  **Wanda Madden-Carr**



Subject: Cultural Affairs

To:  Patrick Spinney 

Cc:

Attachments:  Report.format.doc

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Cultural Affairs Committee
and
Distinguished Lecture Series
c/o Wanda Madden-Carr
201 Alumni Hall
University of Maine

May 4, 2009

To: Patrick Spinney

From: Dorothy Croall & Dan Sandweiss, Co-Chairs

On behalf of the Cultural Affairs Committee and Distinguished Lecture Series, it gives us great pleasure to inform you that your proposal, Jorge Cham, has been awarded \$1,339.00.

Please contact Wanda Madden-Carr at 1-1516 to discuss the procedures in place for the submission of financial expenses related to this award at your earliest convenience.

The following acknowledgement is required on ALL promotional material: *This event was supported in part by a grant from the Cultural Affairs/Distinguished Lecture Series.*

Attached is a form for your use to summarize the benefits derived from this grant. This form should be submitted within 30 days after the conclusion of the event. Timely submission of your summary will be considered as part of any future funding requests.

The Cultural Affairs Committee members congratulate you and wish you much success on this project.

Cultural Affairs/Distinguished Lecture Series Grant Report Form

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Contact Name: Patrick Spinney, President
Campus Address: 62 Stodder Hall
Phone: 1 (207) 992-6649
E-mail: patrick.spinney@umit.maine.edu

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Over 100 people attended the talk by Jorge Cham, making it standing room only for the space we had (ESRB 165). Most of the attendees were graduate students with several faculty, undergraduates and other community members making up the balance. The reception that followed attracted well over 200 including Administrators, research scientists, students and faculty.

The event was promoted through the Graduate Student Senate with large posters, e-mail, our web-site and the UMaine calendar.

Our final budget is slightly less than our estimate. Travel was over budget since we did not include. Food was under budget as Jorge Cham only had one meal at our expense. Honorarium was unchanged. Printing was under budget as we purchased a laser printer and printed smaller poster ourselves. I cannot locate the receipts for printing from the CML. If they are needed I will ask the CML to reprint them.

Please accept my apology for late submission and let me know if there is anything I have forgotten.

Sincerely, Patrick S. Spinney

Attached: GSG_budget_Jorge_Cham.doc
GSG_receipts_Jorge_Cham.pdf
GSG_receipts_Jorge_Cham_2.pdf
GSG_poster_Jorge_Cham.pdf

11TH ANNUAL GRADUATE RESEARCH EXPOSITION

THE EXPO

Academic Stimulus Package
Jorge Cham of PHD Comics!!
 5pm / 4.14.2009

The Gala
 6pm - 9pm / 4.14.2009

Pizza & Poster Session
 11am - 1pm / 4.15.2009

Presentations
 9am - 4pm / 4.14.2009 & 9am - 4pm / 4.15.2009

Turning academic research into a business
 12:30pm - 1:30pm / 4.15.2009

Building a teaching portfolio
 1:30pm - 2:30pm / 4.15.2009

What makes writing hard? What makes it easier?
 2:30pm - 3:30pm / 4.15.2009

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