



SDU International Club

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April Calendar

**"Adversity reveals genius,
prosperity conceals it."**

Horace

Quintus Horatius Flaccus (8 Dec 65 BCE – 27 Nov 8 BCE), Roman soldier & poet

April 3rd @ 19:00 **Taler du Dansk?**

Chat in Danish

Danish table at 'Alfred and Kamilla' Restaurant, Rudgårdsvæj 103, 5000 Odense. An opportunity to practise your Danish while having fun over dinner. We chat about spontaneous themes in Danish (your language level doesn't matter) while we enjoy good food and international company. A Danish teacher leads the group. It is a great way to communicate in Danish naturally.

In addition the teacher offers: informal conversations, preparation for exams, support in special tasks or situations where you find it difficult to express yourself.

If interested, please contact Birgit Hjorth at birgit-hjorth@hotmail.com

April 11th @ 17:30 **International Art Workshop**

Room 097, SDU

"The Art Workshop: getting in touch with your brain's right hemisphere"

Explore something new!

You can start next month.

Using a variety of materials, we create our own works of art, exploring how we use colours and shapes to express ourselves. So drop your inhibitions, if you have any, and come for the sheer pleasure of it. Course leader, Pauline Grolin is a Canadian psychologist and amateur artist. She enjoys painting with acrylics, drawing with pastels and doing soul collage. Please email sag@sdu.dk.

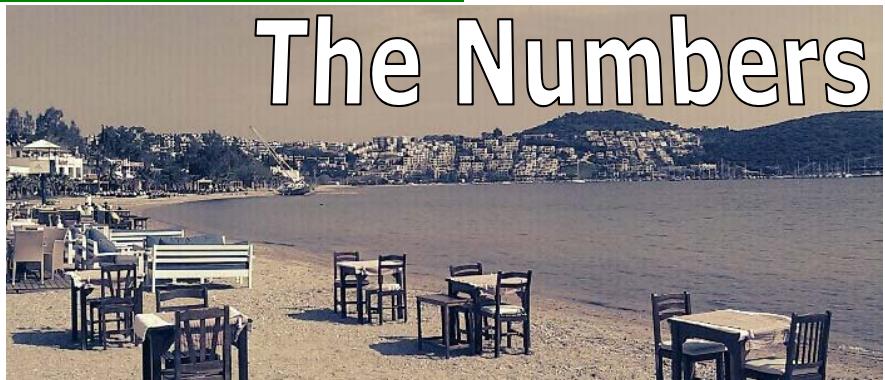
Free of charge!

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"We can spend our lives letting the world tell us who we are. Sane or insane. Saints or sex addicts. Heroes or victims. Letting history tell us how good or bad we are. Letting our past decide our future. Or we can decide for ourselves. And maybe it's our job to invent something better."

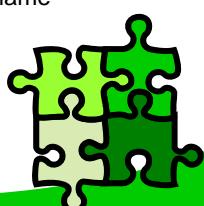
~ Chuck Palahniuk



The Numbers

By Kim Addonizio;
Photo by Evelina Kvartunaite

How many nights have I lain here like this, feverish with plans, with fears, with the last sentence someone spoke, still trying to finish a conversation already over? How many nights were wasted in not sleeping, how many in sleep—I don't know how many hungers there are, how much radiance or salt, how many times the world breaks apart, disintegrates to nothing and starts up again in the course of an ordinary hour. I don't know how God can bear seeing everything at once: the falling bodies, the monuments and burnings, the lovers pacing the floors of how many locked hearts. I want to close my eyes and find a quiet field in fog, a few sheep moving toward a fence. I want to count them, I want them to end. I don't want to wonder how many people are sitting in restaurants about to close down, which of them will wander the sidewalks all night while the pies revolve in the refrigerated dark. How many days are left of my life, how much does it matter if I manage to say one true thing about it—how often have I tried, how often failed and fallen into depression? The field is wet, each grassblade gleaming with its own particularity, even here, so that I can't help asking again, the white sky filling with footprints, bricks, with mutterings over rosaries, with hands that pass over flames before covering the eyes. I'm tired, I want to rest now. I want to kiss the body of my lover, the one mouth, the simple name without a shadow. Let me go. How many prayers are there tonight, how many of us must stay awake and listen?



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April 12th @ 16:00 **Movie at the International Club**

Room 097, SDU. The SDU International Spouse Forum cordially invites you to come and watch the movie: 'The Secret'.

The film reveals the single most powerful law in the universe, the Law of Attraction.

This centuries-old Secret has been understood by some of the most prominent people in history: Plato, Galileo, Beethoven, Leonardo da Vinci and Einstein. It has been passed on throughout the ages, travelling through centuries ... to reach you. The movie is in English. Screening is open to everyone. Running time: 91 minutes. Please sign up NOW at: sqq@sdu.dk

April 12th @ 19:00 **Stammtisch at La Piazza restaurant**

Brandts Passage, Odense

IC monthly dinner and Jazz, International gathering and Italian food

We meet to enjoy an evening of wonderful music, good food and a table of guests from all around the world. Enlarge your network and learn about other cultures. Sign up now at: sqq@sdu.dk

April 13th @ 11:00 **Out in nature! A walk with our children!**

"Ma-ma", the SDU International Parents' Group invites mothers and their children to share the beautiful nature around Engen at Fruens Bøge (the Meadow at Lady's Beech). The surrounding forest and lake provide a peaceful and perfect atmosphere for a walk with our children. We will finish our tour with a hot drink at Jensens Bøhus restaurant with a view of the lake. Come and enjoy with us! Please sign up at: cip@language.sdu.dk

April 19th @ 16:30 **International wine tasting**

Come and experience the most unforgettable journey into wine tasting!

Adriano Simoncini will guide us through the wonders of Italian wines in his well-known restaurant 'Simoncini', and will serve us lovely Mediterranean appetizers as well!

We will meet at 16.30 at the restaurant, Lottrups Gård, Vestergade 70 (the former restaurant Marie-Louise). The modest cost is 150 dk. per person, and we need at least 20 participants. Don't be shy now and sign up immediately, or latest by Thursday 12th April at 12.00 at franknyst@gmail.com. You'll receive a 'Go!' or 'No-go' message no later than the 14th.

April 20th @ 11:00 – 13:00 **Friday coffee**

Every month the international Spouse Forum invites you to morning coffee. The aim of the event is socialization and networking. We hope to see old and new members there. It is an opportunity to have a cup of coffee, meet interesting people, exchange and share information and also discuss issues important to you. Venue will be announced when you sign up at: agnieszkasw@yahoo.com

April 21st @ 11:00 **A family day at the Zoo!**

"Ma-ma", the SDU International Parents' Group is pleased to invite you to take your family on a journey of discovery at Odense Zoo and to visit the wildlife of five continents gathered in the heart of Odense. Come and join us in this fantastic experience! Please have a look at: www.odensezoo.dk Prices: Adults: 150 kr. Children over 3 - 11: 85 kr.

Please sign up at: cip@language.sdu.dk

April 23rd @ 18:00 **International Pot Luck**

We meet to enjoy and have fun while introducing an important element of our cultures: food!

Please prepare an example of your homeland's traditional food to share and be ready to learn about others'.

Do not miss this great gastronomic journey through the world!

You will get info about the activity's venue later on.

Please sign up now at sqq@sdu.dk

April 26th @ 19:00 **GIRLS' NIGHT OUT**

Being a mother is a full-time job. Even though it's fulfilling and fantastic, it's also exhausting. That's why it's important to give ourselves a break every now and then and enjoy an evening with our girl pals. So, what do you say? Let the fun begin! Just remember our one rule ... ladies only!

You'll receive further information about the time and venue of this activity.

