



## Upcoming events at the American Center

8<sup>th</sup> Floor, Diamond Plaza, 34 Le Duan Blvd., District 1, HCMC.

### **Birthday Tradition in the United States**



Monday, October 1, 2:00 p.m.  
Speakers: Mr. Brian Timm-Brock and Mr. Ted Danowitz, Guest Speakers  
For those of you who had to miss the AC's 1<sup>st</sup> Birthday Celebration, here's your second chance to party! Celebrating birthdays have become popular universally because birthdays give people a reason to gather in friendly group and enjoy food. Come join visiting officers from the U.S. Consulate in Guangzhou, China, to find out how Americans celebrate their birthdays, and about their traditional food and games on this occasion.

### **Coral Reefs and Biodiversity in U.S. and international waters**



Tuesday, October 2, 2:00 p.m.  
Speaker: Dr. Jennifer Dupont, Guest Speaker  
What is a coral reef, anyway? Why is protecting them an important part of the environmental world today? A visiting expert will be at the American Center to tell you! The United States is one of the first countries with coral reefs to launch a national Coral Reef Initiative. Come to learn about coral reefs and how to strengthen efforts to conserve and sustainably manage coral reefs and related ecosystems, in the United States and around the world.

### **Book Club**

Tuesday  
September 18,  
2:00 p.m.



Leader: Ms. Jaclyn Luo, Consulate Officer  
Book Club this week will continue with *The Wrinkle in Time*, with a new Consulate Officer, Ms. Jaclyn Luo. Don't miss your chance to meet her and discuss this classic American book!

### **Activities in English**

Wednesday  
October 3, 5:00 p.m.



Leader: Mr. Calvin Ogburn, American Student  
Join Activities in English, a fun, free and dynamic way to practice your English while learning about American culture.

### **The Concept of Personhood in America**

Friday, Oct.5, 2:00 p.m.



Speaker: Mr. Apichai Shipper, Guest Speaker  
Come find out what this abstract topic is all about with our guest speaker from the Foreign Service Institute in Washington, DC.

All AC programs are free for the public. If you would like to attend, please register at [ACHCMC@state.gov](mailto:ACHCMC@state.gov) or simply press "Like" on our events on facebook:

<http://www.facebook.com/achochiminh.usconsulate>.

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