



## Upcoming Events

### [Vivek Tiwary](#)

[Topic: The Color of Dreams: Breaking Down Ethnic Barriers in the Arts and Entertainment](#)  
[Th 9.4.2014](#)  
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### [James McLurkin](#)

[Topic: The End of the World & Other Misconceptions: The Truth About Robotics](#)  
[Th 9.11.2014](#)  
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### [Women and Leadership: A Global Perspective](#)

[Featuring: Civil rights activists Cheryl Brown Henderson and Peggy Wallace Kennedy](#)  
[Th 9.18.2014](#)  
[Open Forum](#)

### [Lou Frey Institute Symposium](#)

[Mo 9.29.2014](#)  
[Advanced Registration Required](#)

## What's on TV?

Watch the Global Perspectives show on WUCF TV, Sundays at 9:30 a.m., or click [here](#) to watch more videos online.

[Mark Romoff: Revolutionizing Roads and Public Services](#)



[Howard Diamond: Striving for Peace in the Middle East](#)



## Event Schedule Announced

The UCF Global Perspectives Office (GP) invites students, faculty, staff and community members to a semester of events aimed at broadening global awareness and intercultural understanding. Events are free and open to the public, and include a question-and-answer period to allow guests to interact with the experts.

Semester highlights include:

- Expert in robot technologies, James McLurkin, who will speak about "The End of the World and Other Misconceptions: The Truth about Robotics," at 3 p.m., Thursday, Sept. 11, in the Cape Florida Ballroom of the Student Union.
- Daughters of the American civil rights movement, Cheryl Brown Henderson and Peggy Wallace Kennedy, will speak at the 8th annual "Women and Leadership: A Global Perspective" forum at 3:00 p.m., Thursday, Sept. 18, in the Cape Florida Ballroom of the Student Union.
- "Bipartisanship Matters" is a national forum with former senator Olympia Snowe, Bipartisan Policy Center president Jason Grumet and other guests. The event takes place at 3:00 p.m., Thursday, Oct. 2, in the Pegasus Ballroom of the Student Union.

Each event connects to the office's annual theme, "Shaping a World in Transition: The Power of Imagination, Inspiration and Innovation." For a complete list of events, visit GP's [website](#) to learn more!

## The India Center's New Website

The India Center at UCF has launched its own website, [www.theindiacenter.ucf.edu](http://www.theindiacenter.ucf.edu). Along with social media outlets like Twitter and Facebook, this new site allows the center to present a bright statement to both the local and international community by sharing upcoming events, news and achievements.

[Varun Gauri: The Investment of Eradicating Poverty](#)



Want to stay up to date with The India Center? This month, the center will be releasing its inaugural newsletter, featuring the first visitor of the year as well as future student opportunities.

## Event Spotlight

GP is proud to host Dr. James McLurkin, a leading expert in robot technologies. McLurkin is an Assistant Professor in Computer Science at Rice University who uses nature as a model to research, create and program large swarms of autonomous robots. His research focuses on developing distributed algorithms for multi-robot systems, software that produces complex group behaviors from the interactions of many simple robots. In case that sounds too complicated, McLurkin reassures that, “distributed algorithms can be fun when you explain them with robots.” The presentation will include a demonstration from a small robot swarm. Judge for yourself at 3:00 p.m. on Sept. 11 at the Cape Florida Ballroom!

