“WHAT’S HAPPENING TO YOU IS HAPPENING TO ME”

A cast comes together as Typhoon Haiyan wreaked havoc on a beloved city during their tour: Tacloban, Philippines.

“In November 2011 we arrived in Tacloban, Philippines. The city had a reception for us at this seaside golf course. Indigenous dancers performed for us and we had dinner with our host families. It was wonderful. That golf course is not there anymore,” reflects Annie Conzemius (‘11B). Annie and her cast mates from Cast B 2011 traveled to Tacloban, Philippines during their Up with People tour; a city devastated by Typhoon Haiyan. “It is eerie. The civic center where we performed our show is now being used as the headquarters for the Red Cross.”

During Cast B 2011’s time in Tacloban, they interacted with many of the local residents, especially children. Their show brought together 3,000 local citizens and raised money for the Tacloban Youth Music Center, a place that helped local youth hone their performance skills. The money was used to buy musical instruments for the center. Now, the community faces a future of rebuilding.

The tragedy in Tacloban has helped Cast B 2011 to reconnect with each other and reach out to their host families and friends in the Philippines.

Current Up with People cast member, Joshua Villanueva, is from the Philippines. “I am from Navotas City which is 25 kilometers from Manila, the capital of the Philippines. There was no storm, rain, or flood in my hometown. My family is safe,” says Joshua.

Up with People’s current cast—Cast B 2013—also knows what it is like to have a disaster affect their home away from home. When the cast was touring in the Northern Cheyenne Indian Reservation in Lame Deer, Montana, United States, their Staging and Orientation host families were fighting the floods in Colorado. Students and staff reached out to their host families to ask how they were doing and send their thoughts. “For the first time, nature made me feel helpless because my host family’s safety and homes were in jeopardy,” says Beyah Rasoool (‘12A), Sales and Admissions Representative for Up with People. Adds Renner Larson (‘11B), “The world is not small anymore for people like us. It is rewarding but in situations like this, it is also hard.”
ADMISSIONS TEAM SHATTERS INTERVIEW GOALS

Up with People’s current Admissions Team on the road is spreading the word about our program—and YOU can help!

539. Do you know what that number represents? 539 is the number of interviews Up with People’s Admissions Team on the road has conducted thus far during the semester. It represents 539 potential new cast members for future semesters. The team—Brekken Baker (’12B), Oscar Nissen (’12A), Beyah Rasool (’13A), with assistance from Business Manager, Veronika Westermark (’08B)—set a goal of 300 interviews to conduct by the end of Cast B 2013’s tour in December. This goal was 50 more than had been completed by an cast in recent memory, and they had surpassed this goal before they departed the United States for Mexico. With three weeks left on the European tour, they have the possibility of doubling their original goal. “It has definitely been a team effort. Together, we want to reach as many potential students as we can to continue to increase our student numbers,” says Baker.

“We need to ignite the spark if we want anything to catch fire.”
(Brekken Baker, ’12B)

Admissions is a key focus of Up with People, and the Admissions Team on the road plays a significant part in helping market the program to potential students. Brekken, Oscar, Beyah, and Veronika are often the first people to tell students about Up with People. “Our job involves so much of the ‘planting the seed’ and getting the students hooked to take the first steps in becoming future cast members. If we convey our message the way we are supposed to in the classrooms, at our admissions booth, or in presentations, people will want to travel. We need to ignite the spark if we want anything to catch fire,” says Brekken.

“This has been an incredible team effort,” adds Eric Anderson (’89E), Vice President of Admissions. “Not only do we have perhaps the finest admissions team to ever travel the road in Up with People, they are also receiving critical and enthusiastic support from the promotional representatives in each city, our tour and sales department, and the Cast B 2013 staff and students. It has been a tremendously successful semester. Our interview numbers are higher than they have been since 2000.”

Currently, Up with People still has opportunities available for students who would like to participate in Cast A 2014 which begins in January 2014 in Denver, Colorado, United States. If you are an alumni of the program and know of a young person in your life who would make a great Up with People cast member, remember Golden Passport! “The Golden Passport is designed to encourage alumni to help us recruit the future of Up with People,” says Anderson. “Since they have experienced the program, they sometimes know best what type of person would make a great Up with People participant.

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Brekkon agrees. “I believe Up with People inspires growth in students. It did for me.”

Up with People alumni can download the Golden Passport by clicking here. For more information about Up with People and admissions, visit our website or call 303.460.7100. You can also reach Eric Anderson, Vice President of Admissions, at eanderson@upwithpeople.org or by calling 720.215.3211.
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UP WITH PEOPLE EXPANDS ITS STUDY ABROAD PROGRAM

Starting with the current cast, the program now provides the option for students to study abroad for one full year.

We are excited to announce an expansion of Up with People’s Study Abroad program! The one-year option which started with Cast B 2013, Up with People’s Study Abroad program offers the possibility for students to take classes for the full year. The academic courses now differ in the fall and spring semesters so students can earn 24 upper level university credits in the year-long program (or 12 credits in the semester-long program).

“The classes keep me caught up with college, so this year of traveling is not really a gap year,” says Mallory Kidd (’13A & ’13B), a second semester study abroad student. “My biggest challenge is making time to do the homework every week. When I do, I feel so proud because I am going that extra mile for myself.”

Taking part in the Study Abroad program adds a valuable dimension to the Up with People experience. “A lot of the processing that students usually do after their experience, these students do during their tour. They are seeing Up with People through a different lens, and applying academic tools to break it down and understand it better,” says Pete Anderson (’92A), the current Business and Leadership professor. Anderson was also on Up with People’s road staff from 1993-2000 and has an MBA from the University of California, Davis. Theresa MacNeil is also working with Up with People’s Study Abroad program. She received her B.A. from Boston College and an M.A. from California State University.

Misa Grenier (’13A & ‘13B), another second semester study abroad student, agrees. “The classes enrich my experience so much. I focus on using the allotted study times so I do not have to use my host family time for homework. Time management is also one of the biggest gifts [of the program] because I have learned to handle stress and my time so well. After this, I think college will be a piece of cake.”

Up with People Study Abroad, administered with our partnering school of record, Florida Southern College (FSC), is growing steadily in its second year. Cast B 2013’s cohort includes 12 students from five countries (Bermuda, China, Sweden, Switzerland and the United States). Courses are taught in a hybrid format: a combination of face-to-face class time with the professors, and online course methods like discussion boards, Skype calls, and communication regarding assignments through FSC’s student portal. At the beginning of each semester there are five days of classroom sessions with the two professors. The professors visit the cast again mid-tour, and at the end of the semester.

We anticipate about 20 percent of the cast will be taking the Study Abroad classes in Cast A 2014. To learn more about the Up with People Study Abroad program, or other opportunities to earn credit through our affiliate universities, visit http://www.upwithpeople.org/student-info/collegecredit. Read the course descriptions for the 2014 tours here.
GET READY FOR STAGING!

Meet the team and find out how you can help with Up with People’s Staging in Denver, Colorado, United States

Every six months, a new group of international students from around the world come together to Up with People with one mission in mind: begin the adventure of their lives. However, before they can start making a difference in the lives of thousands, they need some guidance, and a few stage directions. The main focus of Up with People’s Staging and Orientation is to prepare these students for the adventure of their lives. Behind the scenes is Up with People’s Staging team: Conor Bertrand (’12A), Annie Conzemius (’11B), Grant Hamilton (’12B), and Isaiah McGregory (’12B). Each of them are using what they learned during their own Staging experiences to prepare for Cast A 2014. They also shared some insight as to what they cannot live without during their process.

Annie, Staging Coordinator: “A memorable Staging for me was my student Staging in Denver in July 2011. The day Cast B 2011 arrived for Staging at the Pinnacle Events Center, the building was flooding! Half of the students were helping to save equipment and the other half were walking in with suitcases. It was our first “come together and help” experience, and definitely taught me to always be ready for anything! As for what I cannot live without, I need to go to Starbucks at least once per day.”

Grant, Staging Assistant: “Because I live in Denver, Colorado, my family and I were fortunate to host two students from Mexico and Japan during my student semester. I was excited to showcase my part of the world to them and see new experiences through their eyes. I cannot wait to be reintroduced to Colorado through the eyes of Cast A 2014. During Staging, I go through a lot of beef jerky.”

Conor, Promotion Representative: “During my first staging in January 2012, my cast participated in a Martin Luther King, Jr. parade. As I was walking around I stumbled upon a group of young people singing “A Song of Freedom” by Bob Marley. To hear them sing that song on a freezing Denver morning to celebrate the life of one of the most important men in history was so moving. I want to give other people that feeling of happiness through Up with People. Also, during Staging, I cannot live without a hacky sack. It is a great stress reliever.

Isaiah, Promotion Representative: “Even though I was raised in Colorado, my host family during Staging introduced me to so many new things like bringing me to my first national park: Rocky Mountain National Park. I want to help Cast A 2014 learn as much as we can possibly teach them about this beautiful area; even if they are from here. While getting ready for the cast’s arrival, I live on Chinese food. I also make sure I have plenty of deodorant nearby.”

Are you interested in bringing an international student into your home? Our Staging team is still looking for more host families in the Denver area. You can also help by assisting with meals, providing contacts within your network, promoting the Up with People show, and much more! Up with People’s Cast A 2014’s premiere of ‘Voices’ is Saturday, February 8, 2014 at 7:30pm at the Performing Arts Complex at the Pinnacle Charter School (1001 West 84th Avenue in Denver, CO 80260). Ticket pricing and other information is available by clicking here. Get ready for Cast A 2014!
UP WITH PEOPLE IS COMING TO A CITY NEAR YOU!

*Up with People is gearing up for memorable visits for Cast A 2014 and future casts.*

We are pleased to announce Cast A 2014’s United States tour schedule. The first cast of the new year will visit the following cities:

- Gypsum, Colorado (February 10-17, 2014)
- North Platte, Nebraska (February 17-24, 2014)
- Sioux Falls, South Dakota (March 3-10, 2014)
- Cleveland, Ohio (March 10-17, 2014)

There is still one week up for grabs following the cast’s week in North Platte with interest already generated in Salina, Kansas, Fort Collins/Loveland, Colorado, and Des Moines, Iowa. If you have contacts in these communities who may be interested in supporting the cast’s visit and would like further details, please email Chelsey Panchot, Up with People’s North America Sales and Tour Manager. We are very close to finalizing Cast B 2014’s tour schedule to the Northeastern United States with tentative stops in Lowell, Massachusetts; Cape Cod, Massachusetts; and Harrisonburg, Virginia. In the coming weeks, we will start to schedule Cast A 2015’s tour through the south and central United States.

If you would like information about bringing an Up with People cast to your area of the world, please contact one of our Tour Managers below:

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- Chelsey Panchot, Sales and Tour Manager, United States
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- Paul Whitaker, Senior Vice President
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¡VIVA MEXICO!

*Cast Manager Leslie Kleiman (’09B) provides a glimpse of Cast B 2013’s visit to the beautiful country of Mexico.*

Hello alumni and friends of Up with People! It was an exciting six weeks here in sunny (and hot!) Mexico. The cast began their Mexican tour in the beach town of Guaymas, Sonora. However, the fun in the sun did not stop there. We also traveled to Los Mochis, Mazatlan, Culiacan, Ciudad Obregon, and finally the small yet quaint town of Magdalena de Kino. Each week we were welcomed with open and loving arms by our Mexican host families. They filled us with their best cooking and made us feel a part of their families right away. We have completed many community service projects in rural areas, in local schools, and with all different populations. The cast especially loved the opportunity to release baby turtles back into the ocean. Cast B 2013 came together with enthusiasm and dedication to make an impact here in Mexico. In turn, Mexico had an impact on us as well.
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- **Call us at 720.215.3219.**
- **Mail a gift to:**
  Global Scholarship Fund
  Up with People
  6830 Broadway, Unit A
  Denver, CO 80221
Tell us about your fundraising experience?
I worked outside of school before applying. I also started a website where family, friends, and alumni could help me raise money so I could participate in Up with People. I also raised money by giving drum lessons and playing in paid shows with my band. It seemed difficult to raise the money at first but once I got started, it was a lot of fun. It seemed more achievable with every dollar I raised.

Have you experienced any “culture shock?”
I have not had any extreme cases but Mexico was a special experience. I tried really hard to embrace and enjoy the differences which made for an amazing six-week tour. What caught me off guard was the hot and humid weather.

What challenges have you faced?
Up with People operates with a very demanding schedule which can be tiring. Getting enough rest can be a challenge. I have also faced fun challenges with my admissions internship and try to turn the challenges into opportunities from which to learn.

Tell us about some fun memories you have had thus far on tour?
Towards the end of the United States tour, the cast spent a week on the Northern Cheyenne Indian Reservation in Wyoming. I slept in a tipi all week and was fortunate to experience and learn about the Cheyenne culture and history. A highlight of my week there was when my roommates and myself were able to participate in a traditional Native American sweat lodge. It was a memory for a lifetime!

What do you hope to teach your family and friends after your semester is done?
I am excited to do another semester with Up with People but when I get home, I am looking forward to sharing my experiences from the cultures I have visited, especially the Native American culture.

STUDENT SPOTLIGHT

NAME: ANDREAS
COUNTRY: NORWAY
AGE: 19

Up with People offers scholarship support to students like Andreas every semester. During 2012, Up with People awarded over $300,000 for student scholarships.

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FRIDAY, DECEMBER 13, 2013
- Tours of two historical sites: the Colosseum and the Roman Forum.
- Discover the city by night during your free time in the evening.

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 14, 2013
- Choose to either join the Up with People cast for impactful community service activities, in partnership with Caritas, an international charitable organization; or enjoy a day to explore Rome at your own pace.

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 15, 2013
- Unforgettable day trip to Florence! Enjoy guided tours of the Uffizi Gallery and The David.
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MONDAY, DECEMBER 16, 2013
- Experience VIP entrance to the Sistine Chapel and the Vatican Basilica—no waiting in lines!
- Full Up with People show in the late evening at the Palazzo dei Congressi, sponsored by the Mayor of Rome.

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 17, 2013
- Potential reception with the President of the Republic.
- Unique, private afternoon tour of the Swiss Guard facilities in St. Peter's Square, Vatican City.
- Discover the city by night during your free time in the evening.

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 18, 2013
- Be a part of history and join thousands of people from around the globe to hear Pope Francis' weekly address at St. Peter's Square in Vatican City, where Up with People will perform!
- Farewell Lunch in Rome cherishing one last authentic Italian meal together as a group.
- Enjoy your last evening in Rome however you please.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 19, 2013
- Departure day—travel independently to the airport or your next destination.

* Times are subject to change as we put together this one-of-a-kind program for you.

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CAST B 2013’S TOUR SCHEDULE
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November 18-24, 2013

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November 25-December 1, 2013

VEJLE, DENMARK
December 2-10, 2013

END OF TOUR/CAST DEPARTURE
December 10, 2013

TOUR EXTENSION TO ROME, ITALY, EUROPE
December 10-19, 2013

Find out more by visiting Up with People’s tour schedule.

CAST A 2014’S TOUR SCHEDULE
Check out where the newest cast will be traveling!

DENVER, CO, UNITED STATES
(STAGING AND ORIENTATION)
January 10-February 10, 2014

GYPSUM, CO, UNITED STATES
February 10-17, 2014

NORTH PLATTE, NE, UNITED STATES
February 17-24, 2014

MIDWEST UNITED STATES
February 24-March 3, 2014

SIOUX FALLS, SD, UNITED STATES
March 3-10, 2014

CLEVELAND, OH, UNITED STATES
March 10-17, 2014

MEXICO
March 17-April 21, 2014

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