

Cultural WEEK

29.07.2019 - 02.08.2019 @ Riara University

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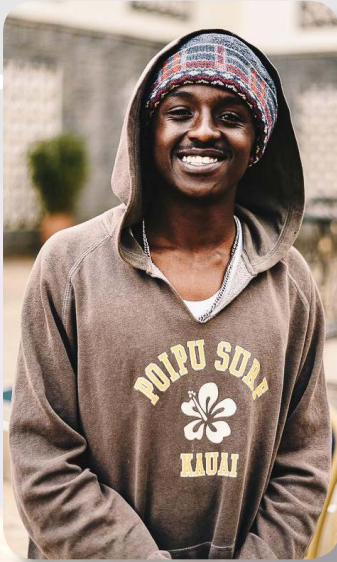
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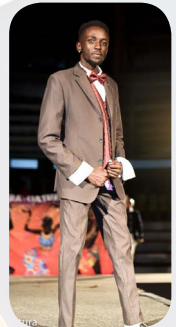
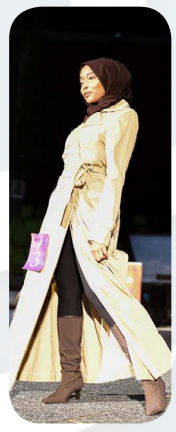
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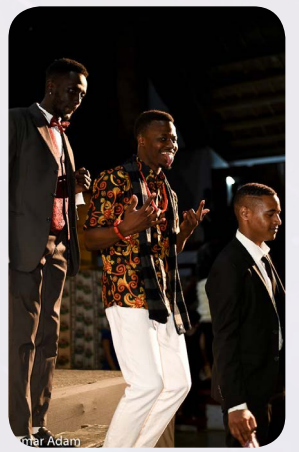
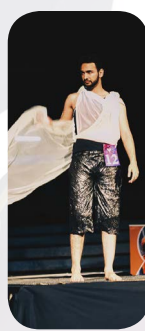
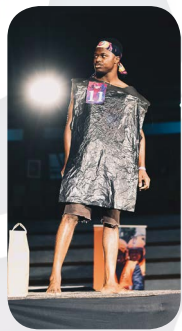
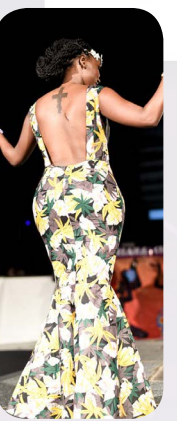
CULTURAL Fest





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All we do is Win!

It was an immense honor for RLS Alumni, Barbara Karanja and Josiah Wamwere to be invited and fully sponsored by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Korea to present their co-authored paper at the historic 1st International Conference on Action with Women and Peace in Seoul. The theme was **“Global Partnership to Combat Sexual Violence in Conflict.”** This global platform presented them an opportunity to share with the rest of the world their creative and innovative solutions to combat this despicable vice. This was truly a once in a lifetime opportunity. Their paper was also awarded second prize at the 2019 Youth Global Essay Competition. Hongera! Riara is at the top yet again!



Riara University Partnership with NIIT to offer Job Ready Programs

On Friday July 19th, Riara University marked a great milestone as she signed a Memorandum of Understanding with NIIT, world's leading Skills and Talents Corporation, to offer programs in Digital Marketing and Big Data analysis to the Kenyan Market.

NIIT was founded in 1981 in New Delhi, India, with the aim of bringing people and computers together successfully. Currently, the institution has presence in 40 countries and has so far trained 35 million learners globally. Every year, 26,000 learners are certified from over 30 NIIT training centres in Africa.

In order to bridge the skills gap, the organization has an initiative called the NIIT inside Campus Model, which empowers youth by integrating different curricula running in various universities to help improve skills suitable for the current market. A method that has proven to work successfully in China and India.

“Riara has already built a great brand in Kenya and we are excited to be associated with this greatness. Tremendous strides are made by collaborating with such organizations that are keen on impacting positively on people's lives,” echoed Vijay Gidoomal, CEO, Car and General.

Riara University was born out of a sincere desire to provide a holistic approach in higher education. It is a logical continuation of her commitment, dating back to 1974, to ensure world class education and the development of a whole learner. Her concept of education goes beyond the classroom and reaches out to provide stimulation and motivation for self-development and capacity for long-life education.

Riara University Advancement and Internationalization Directorate has been a key player in championing the completion of this agreement. “This has been underway for over a year and we are finally glad to see it roll over. NIIT has reached out to me on a personal level and I can truly attest to the value of its programs,” shared Sumita Mukherjee, Associate Director, Riara University.

During the event, the Vice Chancellor, Riara University, delightfully expressed his gratitude and joy over this great milestone. He stated very strongly that Riara University is very keen on ensuring the maintenance of her tradition of excellence, guided by the vision of her founders, Prof. Eddah Gachukia and Daniel Gachukia. “Today, the Riara brand celebrates 45 years of excellence and aims at growing stronger each day. RU takes pride in the fact that she is still small and as a result the main focus lies on 100% service delivery to her students.”

The programs are set to commence in September 2019 and will run at the Riara University Mbagathi Way Campus.



RU Career Mentorship Forums

On its quest to mentor High Schoolers, the Marketing Department participates in career forums which aid Form 4s, and Form 2s to make informed decisions related to career choices and subject combination respectively. Students studying International General Certificate of Secondary School (IGCSE) and British National Curriculum (BNC) are advised on qualifying score points and grade level required to pursue specific courses.

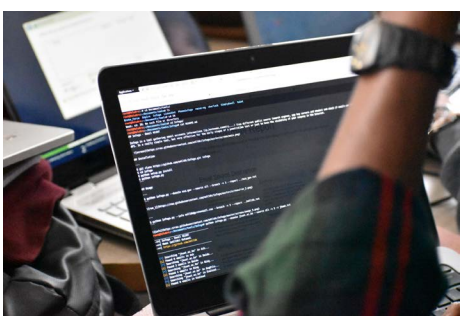
RU has benchmarked on these platforms enabling it to market its courses, assess market trends and build relationships with stakeholders.

Sunshine Secondary School, St. Mary's School, Limuru Girls, Moi Forces Academy, Loreto Msongari, Riara Springs Girls High School, Alliance Boys High School, Thika Road Christian School are among schools we interacted with last month.

We were also took part at The Standard Media Group and Nation Media Group Career Fairs that were held at Kenyatta International Conference Centre (KICC).



#SheHacks!



On 6th July 2019 the Riara University Cyber Security Club, patroned by Paul Mwaniki, Lecturer-Riara School of Computing Sciences held its first function on Saturday 27th July, 2019, from 9:00 am to 12:00 pm. The workshop was led by representatives from SHEHACKS, an all female Cyber Security Organization.

25 students were in attendance and were taken through an introduction of penetration testing and the tools that are commonly used in the Cyber Security Industry.

Coming forth, the group promised to be having at least one boot camp every semester at RU for free.

RU Worship Experience

Riara University Christian Union held the RU Worship Encounter on Wednesday 24th July, 2019 at the RU Gardens. The event was graced by Pastor George Masha of Ridgeways Baptist Church. The theme was “Worshipping God in all circumstances” based on Psalms 95:6-7. It was a wonderful of an experience.



Strategic International Retail Expansion- (SIRE)

On Wednesday the 31st of July, 2019, the Riara Business School hosted Brenda Sternquist, Ph.D, a Professor at Michigan State University. She is a specialist in International Retail and has conducted her research globally but her main focus is on Japan, India and China. Most of her research is summarized in her book, International Retailing 3rd edition, by Fairchild Press, among many others. She was selected as the first Outstanding National Retail Educator in 2004, an award that was presented by the National Retail Federation, Centre for Retail Studies Texas A&M and JC Penney. Brenda has also received the Michigan State University Distinguished Faculty Award, the highest award given at Michigan State University in recognition of an outstanding career in research, teaching and service. She lectures in International Business and International Marketing. This was a very insightful session for staff and students that were in session.



Staff Publications

Kina Cha Fikira: Kauli ya Walibora - Taifa Leo

Mzungumshi halina mashiko kurejelea spika - Julai 24, 2019

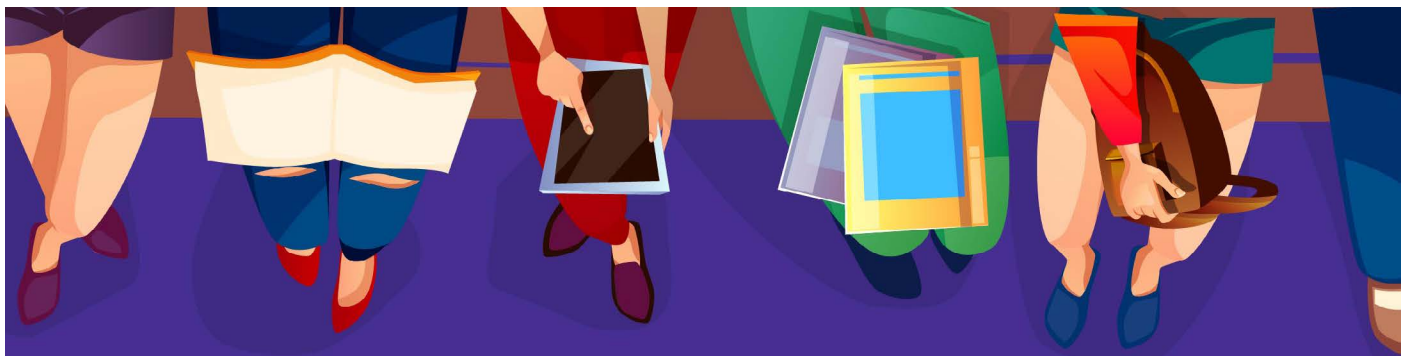
“Iwapo ni wazee wake wanalikuwa ndio waliotuundia au kutupendekezea “mzungumzishi” tungalikuwa na wajibu wa kusikiliza kwa makini. Lakini huyu ni Zani mwanasiasa na mwanasosholojia.”

Viongozi wa Afrika Mashariki ni wasaliti wa Kiswahili Barani -

“Inakuwaje kwamba Kiswahili kinapata utetezi wa dhati kutoka kwa watu wasioweza kukisema kama vile kiongozi wa chama cha Freedom Party cha Afrika Kusini, Julius Malema?”

Walimu wa Kiswahili daima tufanye utafiti tuepuke kujiambua - Julai 31, 2019

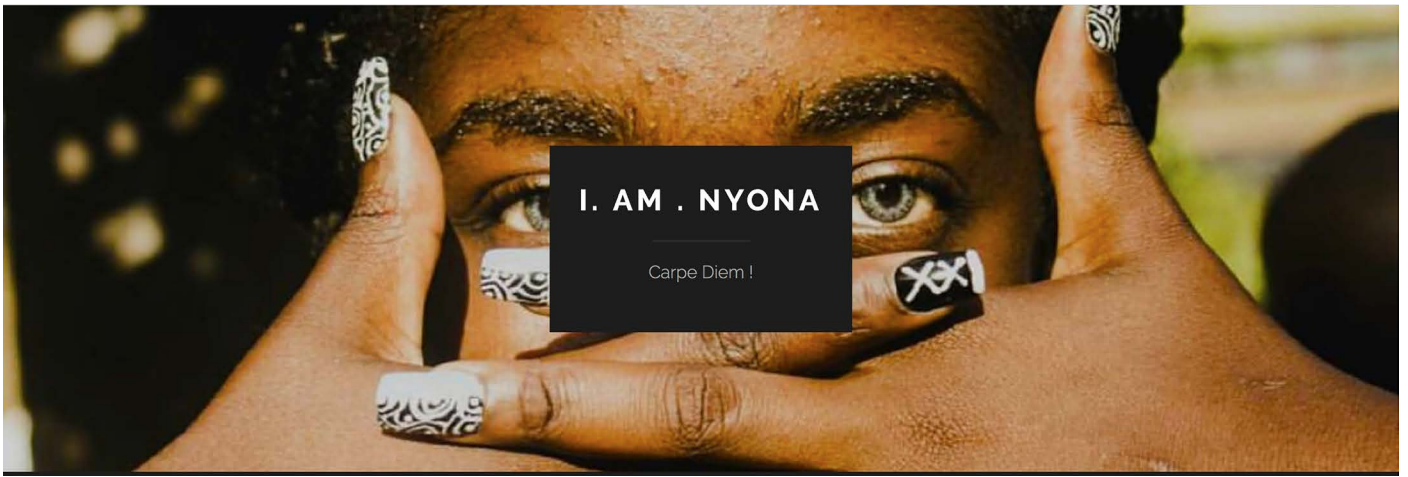
“Wataalamu wa Kiswahili wakiwemo walimu na wahadhiri, wanapaswa kuwa wanafunzi wa daima wa Kiswahili. Hakuna mwisho kwa kujifundisha na kujifunza mambo mapya.”



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Hey hey hey!

First of all you guys as I'm writing this I am drenched... This smart girl left her umbrella Yaaani... So I get to town and it's pretty sunny so I quickly get to kencom and today I am feeling courageous enough to stand in line. And yes the line is hella long!

Wait... Apologies for the long silence... And no sijapanda bei ooh sijui uber everywhere... #Javvnation #matatulivesmatter

Where was I 🤔 ...

Ah yes... So I get to the line then it start drizzling... And the ninja in me keeps cheering me on. So it's about six thirty pm and so I plug in my ear phones and now in the rain with a fire playlist I'm feeling invincible (please if you saw me shivering... That was not my real face... I AM A STRONG BLACK WOMAN!)

Then... This strong wind blows and alas! The rain intensifies but I'm almost at the front of the line and I'm certain I'll board the next javv.

So drenched, the few of us who opted to fight the good fight finally get to board the matatu.

So I sit at the window of the two sitter side... And snack on my pie as other passengers board. (The pie story.... See next post)

BTW... I'm I the only one who low-key chooses who I want to sit with as they get in. 😂

So as adjudicator in chief of the seat mate association... I pick this guy... Looks well built and athletic and I'm just there struggling to make eye contact partly praying telepathy plays out to let him know that the sit next to me is specially set for him.

Yaaaaaaas! He gets the que and now smiling comes to sit next to me. So this is one of those days when I am not feeling chatty so... We just sit there in silence .

So you guys don't know the definition of stuffy until you are in a javv on a rainy day with drenched people who are too cold to open the windows.

After like ten minutes we finally set off. So I pay my fare as I try to fight of sleep 'cause enyewe after a long day some rain and now a full tummy... I was struggling....

When I was picking buff guy I hadn't thought through the kastruggle of how we would fit on that chair... So cause I was getting uncomfortable I sat leaning forward on my bag. And gradually drifted

... I'm not sure if I am excited about this next bit or I'm embarrassed. 😂😂😂😂

Good people... 😂 When I opened my eyes.... I was shocked 😂... he had stretch out his arm on the upper part of the seat and... Guess who was safely tucked in his arm? 😂😂

It was I!

And you know with all the confusion we wake up with after a nap.... I was just there smiling sheepishly 🙄. And before I could say thank you he got up and alighted. 😂

Now I'm home and I'm sure it was not a dream.... Cause everyone was just staring at me until I got to my stage and I was just there awe stuck.... (considering the fact that I have been laughing at people who sleep in javvs)

Perfect stranger was the perfect stranger....

Ps: if you are reading this Mr. Buff guy... We need to talk... #findmyrbuff

Carpe Diem!!



Red Cross Team Building Pictorial



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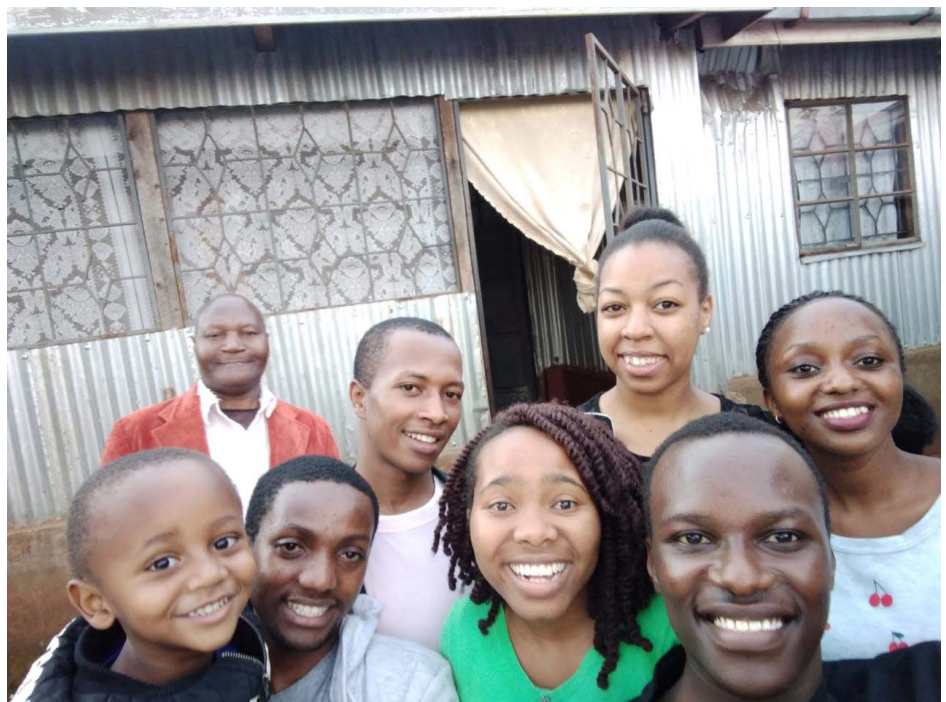
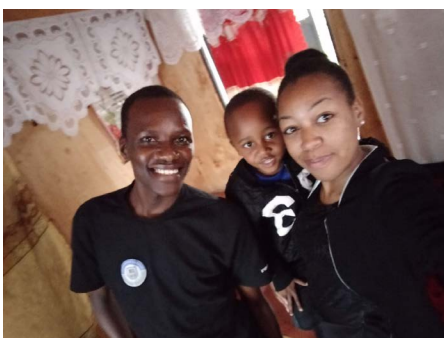
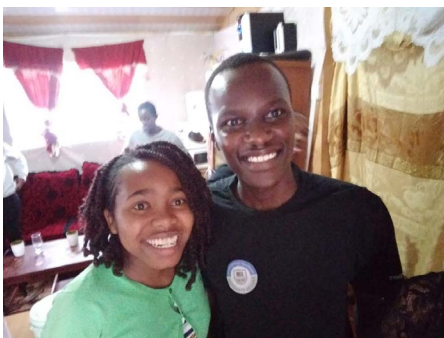
TEAM BUILDING

THEME: YOUTH RESILIENCE
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Christian Union Visitation Pictorial



Sports Desk

Riara University Men's Basketball team is indeed a very happy lot. Bucks received a new set of uniforms courtesy of The Manor Hotel. Bucks who are currently playing in the second division of the Kenya Basketball Federation League, could not hold their excitement as they received the uniforms at The Manor Hotel, located on Muthangari Drive, Opposite the West End Plaza in Westlands.

The Manor Chief Executive Officer, Ms Ruth Otieno Queen spoke about her passion for basketball, driven by the fact that her own son is a post player whose life has greatly benefited from the game. In her own words, this is the beginning of a greater partnership. Indeed it was a colorful event complete with media coverage by KTN News and The Kenya Broadcasting Corporation. The team was later treated to a sumptuous meal including the Signature Roast Grilled Nile Perch by the Manor.

We look forward to working with like minded partners, whose aim is Empowering the youth to Impact communities as we nurture innovators.



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