

**NUEYS-DC**

# ERI-DC Youth Profile

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## College Workshops a Success!

On Sunday, November 13, 2005, NUEYS-DC hosted the first of a two part college workshop for Eritrean youth in the metropolitan DC area. The workshop included an interactive discussion on how to successfully navigate the college admissions process, covering some of the basic essentials of admissions decisions including GPA's, standardized test scores, recommendations, extracurricular activities and the college essay.

Presenters, Bsrat Mezgebe and Salome Tewelde, led the workshop through a mock admissions exercise, where students had the chance to discuss sample applications in small groups and make decisions as admissions committees might after reviewing

applications. The group also discussed some of the more complicated parts of the college process, including securing financial aid and scholarships. The workshop was attended by high schools students ranging from grades 9-12, university students in their first and second years of college, and parents.

In the second part of the college workshop, held on Sunday, November 20, NUEYS-DC members partnered with high school students and parents and provided individual counseling on becoming more competitive for admission into college, career development, and essay drafting. Participants left the

workshop better prepared to excel in the college admissions process.

This is one of NUEYS-DC's many events to provide educational and social support to Eritrean high school students and their parents. In Spring 2005, NUEYS-DC will be organizing another series of college-preparatory activities.



*Students reviewing sample applications*

The National Union of Eritrean Youth and Students-DC is a non-profit organization with a mission to empower Eritrean youth.

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## ER Mix and Mingle: Did you miss out??

NUEYS-DC has teamed up with a group of young Eritreans from the Washington, DC metropolitan area to host every third Thursday of the month a Happy Hour event. Locations will change from month to month and gives Eritrean youth the chance to get out and explore different parts of the city.

If you didn't get a chance to stop by the last Happy Hour at Hotel Rouge, well what can we say, "You missed out!" Eritrean youth at this hotspot had a ball. But you still have plenty more chances.

This month's Happy Hour will take place on Dec. 15th, 2005 at Hotel Topaz in the

Zen Room in Washington, DC. More details to follow.

Mark your calendars for another exciting adult outing we'll have this month on Dec. 16th, 2005 at Dave & Buster's in Maryland, an entertainment fun-filled games & arcade factory!



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We're on the web!

[www.nueysdc.org](http://www.nueysdc.org)

*United for a strong, conscious,  
and patriotic youth.*

The results are in! NUEYS-DC has elected a new Board. Let's give a warm welcome to the new team:

- Bsrat Mezghebe - Chairman
- Yelena Zeru - Vice Chairman
- Rahwa Tesfay - Secretary
- Hiyoba T. Sebhatu - Treasurer
- Rahwa Kidane - Public Relations Officer
- Tesfu Mezghebe - Sports Director
- Sammy G. - Web Master

There are still a few positions open. Contact NUEYS-DC at [nueys-dc@yahoo.com](mailto:nueys-dc@yahoo.com) if you're interested in helping lead a vibrant and growing organization.

## Eritreans take to the Ice!

Under a bright sunny winter sky, over 30 young Eritreans and their family took to the ice on **Sunday, December 04<sup>th</sup>, 2005** at the outdoor ice-skating rink in Pentagon City Row.

The beginner and the expert ice skaters strutted their winter gear and glided in circles and spins and sometimes even on their backsides all over the ice!



*Lending a helping hand on the ice*

Though, we all came in with different experiences in ice-skating, by the end of the 2nd hour, all Eritreans on the ice were skating like pros!



*Group shot while the rink gets a fresh coat of ice*

Check out some of our pictures!

Pentagon Row Ice Skating Plaza  
1201 S. Joyce St.  
Arlington, VA 22202



*The skating squad taking a quick break!*



*No bruises, all smiles*

## Free Language Classes

Always wanted to learn or improve your language skills? Here's your chance! NUEYS-DC will begin language classes in **ARABIC AND TIGRINYA** for beginners on January 21st, 2006 at the ECCC (600 L St. NW, Washington, DC 20001).

**How to register:** Come to ECCC on January 14th, 2006 anytime from 11am-6pm to register. You can also get registration forms from the ECCC and various community events starting from December 04th, 2005. Be sure to drop-off your registration form at ECCC by January 14th, 2006.