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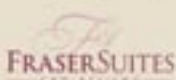
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FROM THE EDITOR

Feel that heat? It's getting hot in here. Which can only mean one thing. Summer.

Awwww yeah! That's right. The time has arrived for ladies to start showing some skin, and bring their milkshakes to the yard so they can drop it like it's hot. And for men to take off their shirts and display those six packs. Four packs ... two packs? Whatever. Just as long as it's not that "rolling the shirt up halfway and letting the beer belly hang out" look. That does nothing to bring sexy back. No, we want some of that stuff in the image to your right. Yeah.

Is that asking for a bit too much? Perhaps. Granted, it can't be Suzie Wong's all day every day. But isn't what we have alcohol for? After a couple drinks, standards go out the window and everyone starts to look tempting.

So in the end, it doesn't really matter which bar has the "most beautiful people." All you really need is a means of intoxication.

On that note, and in the spirit of our Bar & Club Awards, let's get the party started.

Lisa Liang
Managing Editor

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"How was I supposed to know **the gun was loaded**? If anything, it's the fault of the people who got shot for not warning me that I was **pointing a real weapon** at them."
– from the thread "Legal loophole"

"I like to deliberately **stand** in front of the **buttons**."
– from the thread "Obsessive behavior"

"Who was your favorite **Beatle**?"
– from the thread "What would you ask if you meet Hu Jintao in person?"

"It seems clear to me that he is becoming an **alcoholic**. He sleeps much more now and often with **all four feet in the air**."
– from the thread "I am very worried."

"That'll get **rid** of most of the posters on **this forum**, then."
– from the thread "Pig flu coming to town"

"Talking about **sex** on the **Internet** is like **dancing** to **architecture** on a **trampoline**."
– from the thread "What do you think about sex on the first date?"

"Yes, I realize I'm probably an **idiot**."
– from the thread "I like blowing up power adapters."

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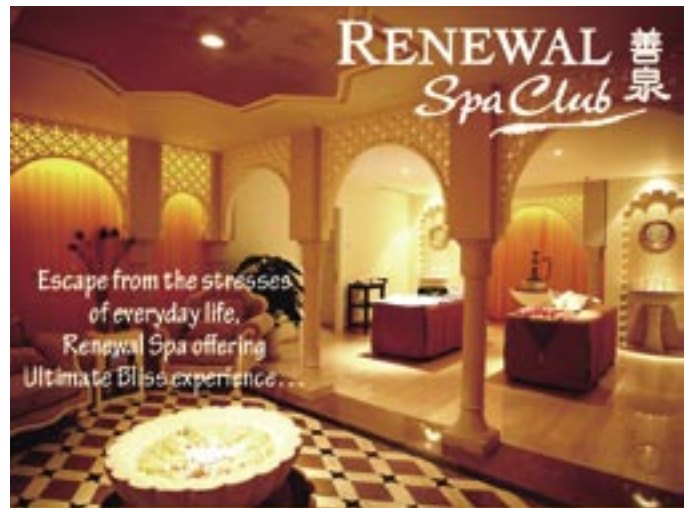
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Walk #32 Qianmen East

by Eric Brahmansen

In Old Beijing, this was the hub of commerce, entertainment and vice. Qianmen is named for the gate separating the inner “Manchu” city and outer “Han” city – Han residents were kicked out of the former by the Qing in 1648.

Some of China’s oldest extant businesses are here, including **Tongrentang** (5), a traditional pharmacy opened in 1669, and **Qianxiangyi Silk Store** (1), from 1840. The neighborhood’s commercial bent is also mirrored in street names like Zhubaoshi Jie (“Jewelry Market Street”) and Liangshidian Jie (“Grain Shop Street”).

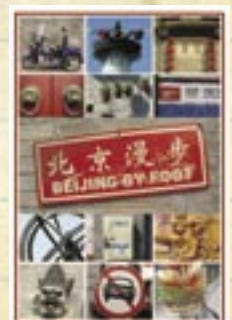
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Under the Qing, Qianshi Hutong (4) was home to 19 silver smelters, who produced boat-shaped sycee ingots, and currency traders, who shouted quotations on silver and gold prices. Note the characters 萬豐銀號 (*Wanfeng Yin hao*, or Wanfeng Bank) above a courtyard gate, and the rooms in courtyard #7-9 where traders worked. The hutong’s narrow entrance (70cm) was designed to prevent thieves from easily escaping.

Before ’49, the **Bada Hutong** (Eight Big Alleys) were Beijing’s red-light district. The area’s vocation was linked to the sybaritic lifestyles of Anhui Opera troupes that settled in Hanjia Hutong and Baishun Hutong (6). The concentration of prostitution here increased after Emperor Qianlong closed bordellos in the Manchu city in 1756 and after Qianmen Railway Station opened in 1900. Carvings on buildings hint at this past, notably the 高級浴室 (“superior bathhouse”) and 一品香澡堂 (“most fragrant bathhouse”) inscriptions at the Yuanxing Jiadao archway (8).

Adjacent to Jinyang Fandian, Beijing’s first Shanxi restaurant, is the former **residence of Ji Xiaolan** (7), whom Qianlong appointed to compile the Complete Library of the Four Branches of Literature. Involving 3,458 titles and 79,224 volumes, this project took 360 scholars 23 years to complete. Honor this achievement by visiting Ji’s house.

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EARTH SEEKS ARTISTS

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Greening the Beige

is an artist's collective that hosts and promotes environmentally themed events like fashion shows, concerts, film screenings, workshops, and art exhibitions. In addition to artists, they are looking for translators, content and event managers, researchers, grant writers, volunteer coordinators, and any ideas you can bring to the table. This year's theme is Water, Air, and Energy.

To volunteer your time and talent organizing or performing at events, check out their "Call for Artists" at www.greeningthebeige.org (starting Jun 5). E-mail info@greeningthebeige.org with your ideas.

Artists involved in last year's Greening the Beige events include:



HELEN FENG – rock star

“I live on the 22nd floor. Every time I look out my window, if I can see the mountains I know it's a spectacular day. I wish I could see them almost everyday, but it's very rare now.

I wrote a song where the chorus is: “Lay down your horses/ It's a beautiful day to die.” It's kind of a happy doom premonition song about all the ways that we destroy ourselves and our world. We think we're very powerful, whether it's those with money or those with might, but the truth is, our lives are short and our vision is too.

One day, it all comes crashing down ... just *when* it happens is dependent on us. After our destruction, beauty re-emerges just as it has for millennia, but perhaps without us.

Rock & roll is partly about music that marks the change in attitude of a generation. I think this new generation has to grow a conscience about how the individual as well as public policy affects the plan.”



OAK TAYLOR-SMITH – photographer

“Being green is knowing what it takes to produce everything you use – and then putting that knowledge to work by reducing your waste.

Most of my personal work in Beijing has focused on the destruction/construction of the city around us. I ended up here after having done a degree in Plant Science (Botany). The city attracted me due to its seeming lack of nature – the air is thick, the ground dusty and any landscape you look at is plastic and entirely created by the city's development.

I ended up focusing on the diversity of color and texture in such urbanity, much as I would if I were placed in a rainforest. I wish people would get back on bikes or make more use of the expanding metro system. The desire for cars makes me sad. I realize the aspirations that drive it, but as a friend once said, without the oil companies, we'd be floating down the road in solar-powered hovercrafts by now ...”



INES BRUNN – trick bicyclist

“At the end of the show, I picked up my bicycle, showing victory over the cars and to suggest to everybody: Ride bikes! Bikes rock!

I was a member of the German Trick Cycling National Team for about 12 years. For Greening the Beige 2008, I created a special show about a typical Beijing rush hour. I get annoyed by waiting in the traffic jam, then decide to ride my bicycle instead. It's easy to weave through the cars – and even better, it's fun! I do some of my favorite bike tricks to show how happy I am when I ride my bicycle.

Beijing is perfect for bicycles. It is as flat as a city can be and has bike lanes everywhere. In Colombia, 100km of the capital's main roads are shut down to cars every Sunday; they're only open for bicycles and other self-propelled transportation. It would be so great to have that in Beijing at least once a month.”

PHOTO: MARY DENNIS AND COURTESY OF THE ARTISTS

COMMUNITY EVENTS

All event listings are accurate at time of press and subject to change
Send events to listings@thebeijinger.com by **Jun 8**
For a comprehensive directory, see www.thebeijinger.com

Jun 2, 9

Chinese Landscape Painting

It's not too late to participate in the last couple of sessions of this course on traditional painting techniques. Taught in Chinese with English translation. RMB 160. 7.30-9.30pm. CCC Learning Center (6432 9341)

Jun 2, 9

Yangsheng Workshop

Stay healthy with traditional Chinese theories on mind, body and soul. This five-course session ends June 9. RMB 120. 7.30-9pm. CCC Learning Center (6432 9341)

Jun 3

Introduction to TCM Lecture Series: Psychology and Chinese Medicine

Join Dr. Sylvie Hu for an in-depth discussion of Traditional Chinese Medicine. RMB 120. 9.30-11.30am. The Yin Yang Community Center (6431 2108)

Jun 4

Treating Yourself with Chinese Medicine

Learn how to treat and heal routine ailments with Chinese medical practitioner Elke Johnson. RMB 100. RSVP at 6431 2108 or contact@yinyangbeijing.com. 1-2pm. The Yin Yang Community Center (6431 2108)

Jun 4, 11, 18

Lecture: Contemporary Chinese History

A series of lectures on recent political development and social changes. RMB 150. 7.30-9.30pm. CCC Learning Center (6432 9341)

Jun 5-6

The Gospel Train

The Beijing Central Gospel Choir and friends will provide entertainment for all ages. All proceeds will fund a schoolteacher for the Agape Foster Home, which serves children with brittle bone disease. RMB 50, free (children under 5). RSVP at bcgc2009@gmail.com. 7-9pm. Beijing Guiguo Hotel (6466 1680)

Jun 6, 17

Hands-on: Chinese Tie-Dye

Learn two fabric crafts: tie-dye (*zha ran*) and batik (*la ran*), both of which are used in minority Chinese folk art. RMB 120. 10am-noon. CCC Learning Center (6432 9341)

Jun 6

Bethel Grand Opening

The grand opening of Bethel, a non-profit organization that provides foster care, education and professional training for Chinese orphans who are blind or visually impaired. RSVP before Jun 1 at bethel.sponsor@gmail.com. RMB 50, RMB 100 (includes transportation), RMB 25 (kids under 12), RMB 50 (kids under 12 with transportation). 11am. Bethel Training Center for the Blind (8031 0383) www.bethelchina.org

June 9

Career Development: Headhunter Social Networking Evening

Professionals and headhunters from all industries are welcome. Register on www.fcclub.com, email eventbj@fcclub.com or call 139 1109 8002. RMB 80, RMB 50 (pre-registered before Jun 8). 7.30pm. Flames Hilton Wangfujing

Green Drinks

An informal monthly meet-and-greet for people interested in environmental or social issues. Drinks specials. Contact Jenny Chu at bjgreendrinks@gmail.com for more

details. Free. 6pm. The Bookworm (6586 9507)

Jun 10

INN Big Brekkie

The International Newcomers' Network hosts this casual morning get-together for friends and newcomers. RSVP at beijingbigbrekkie@yahoo.com. Price TBD. 10am-noon. Schindler's Anlegestelle, Sanlitun (6463 1108) www.innbeijing.org

Jun 10, 27

Cookery: Hand-pulled Noodles and Dumplings

Learn how to pull Shanxi-style birthday noodles and make dumplings (*jiaozi*) with different fillings. RMB 200. 11am-1.30pm (Jun 10), 4-6pm (Jun 27). CCC Learning Center (6432 9341)

Jun 9-11

FHC Beijing

International food and hospitality trade show returns for its eighth trade-only exhibition. Over 200 exhibitors, mostly from overseas, and 6,500 professional trade buyers to attend. Events include the Fifth International Culinary Arts Competition, Great Chef's of Beijing Gala Lunch, Ultimate Barista Challenge, Olive Oil Theatres, Wine Theatres and Food Safety. New Hall, National Agriculture Exhibition Center, 16 Dongsanhuan Beilu, Chaoyang District (6209 5209) www.fhcbeijing.com.cn

Jun 12

INSPIRED Workshop: Job-Hunting Skills for Beijing

Join Jasmine Keel in this hands-on workshop to identify the best and worst ways to hunt for a job, and to better understand the job market in Beijing. RMB 800. 9am-12.30pm. Landmark Business Center (6590 6663, 136 2113 2201)

Jun 13

Women in Beijing

A lecture on the history of women in Beijing, centering on their role and status during different eras. RMB 80. 1pm. The Yin Yang Community Center (6431 2108)

Jun 14, 21, 28

Qigong Healing Classes

Qigong is the ancient Chinese art of healing others or oneself by balancing energy, either through movement or stillness. In English. RMB 150 (one class), RMB 800 (eight classes). 6.30-8.30pm. CCC Learning Center (6432 9341)

Jun 16

The ABC of Wines

Join Hilton's sommelier Julia Zhu for a wine tasting evening. Register on www.fcclub.com, email eventbj@fcclub.com or call 139 1109 8002. RMB 200, RMB 150 (pre-registered before Jun 15). 7.30pm. Flames Hilton Wangfujing

INN Coffee Morning: Sanlitun

Meet people in your neighborhood at this monthly International Newcomers' Network event that brings together newcomers and old-timers. 10am-noon. The Bookworm (6586 9507)

Jun 18

INN Coffee Morning: Shunyi

Share a cup of caffeine along with tips on Beijing life with your Shunyi neighbors. 10am-noon. O'Brien's, Shunyi (6450 8588)

Jun 23

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Late night at the bar: Rufus Colchester spots two lovebirds cuddling in a Sanlitun back alley.

Got a Peking Pic? Send it to editor@thebeijinger.com for a chance to win a bottle of Luis Felipe Edwards Dancing Flame Chardonnay 2007.

TRIVIA TRAVAILS

Each month we run a series of questions based on the content of the issue. Answer them all correctly, and win free stuff!

This month's prize is a **RMB 200 voucher** for **Mughal's Beijing** restaurant.

E-mail your answers to editor@thebeijinger.com.

Answers to May's Trivia Travails:

1) a. Sustainable John and Kouzhao Killa 2) c. a ballet by Igor Stravinsky 3) a. the ex-bassist's cousin 4) c. a 19th century British painter 5) c. beetles 6) c. sweet sixteen and never been kissed 7) d. Ugly Duckling, Black Eyed Peas and Pharcyde 8) c. contortionist 9) b. Elite-qualifying miles 10) b. The One Foundation and C. Nature

Last month's winner of an all-inclusive pass to the 2009 Zebra Music Festival in Chengdu was **Pablo Tullio**.

1. Guiyang is also known as:

- a) The Windy City
- b) The Forest City
- c) The City that Never Sleeps
- d) The Friendly City

2. Artist Xu Bing's most famous work is called:

- a) *Bloodline – The Big Family*
- b) *Great Criticism: WTO*
- c) *Book From the Sky*
- d) *Guernica*

3. The name of Jen Lin-Liu's cooking school is:

- a) Jen Can Cook
- b) Black Sesame Kitchen
- c) Sour Bean Juice
- d) Stinky Tofu Kitchen

4. At what venue will Placido Domingo and Jay Chou perform?

- a) NCPA
- b) The Bird's Nest
- c) Forbidden City Concert Hall
- d) Great Hall of the People

5. The love of which band brought The Offset: Spectacles together?

- a) Sonic Youth
- b) Talking Heads
- c) Joy Division
- d) Velvet Underground

6. In the 48 Hour Film Project, participants compete to:

- a) Watch as many films as possible in 48 hours
- b) Write, film and edit a short movie in 48 hours
- c) Find a bootleg version of a film released in the past 48 hours
- d) Stalk a film star for 48 hours

7. Which photographer's work is NOT included in "Isabelle Huppert: Woman of Many Faces"?

- a) Henri Cartier-Bresson
- b) Richard Avedon
- c) Annie Leibovitz
- d) Ansel Adams

8. Greening the Beige's "call for artists" is looking for:

- a) Mothers with baked goods
- b) Children under ten
- c) Trained primates
- d) People with art or skills to share

9. J-Rocc is the founder of which DJ collective?

- a) The Beat Junkies
- b) The Invisibl Skratch Piklz
- c) The X-Ecutioners
- d) Zulu Nation

10. What goes into "The Beijinger" cocktail created by *tbj*'s 2009 Bartender of the Year?

- a) Jameson whiskey, amaretto, ouzo, lime juice and grenadine
- b) vodka, lemon juice, lychee juice and Dita Lychee Liqueur
- c) Grand Marnier, vodka, hawthorn and watermelon juice
- d) tequila, jalapeno peppers, lime and Tabasco

those working in business and finance. Register on www.fcclub.com, email eventbj@fcclub.com or call 139 1109 8002. RMB 130, RMB 80 (pre-registered before Jun 22). 7.30pm. Beijing Marriott Hotel Northeast (5927 8888)

Jun 25

Oriented Networking Happy Hour

Make new friends and business contacts, win prizes and sip cocktails at this long-standing networking event. RMB 50 (with RSVP). 7pm. Loong Bar (5908 8906). www.oriented.com

Jun 28

2009 Canada Day Celebrations

Canada China Business Council will hold its annual celebration at the Canadian International School. Join the Canuck community at this outdoor event and enjoy a casual day out. Oh, Canada ... we stand on guard for thee! Call 8526 1820/21/22 or email bj.events@ccbc.com.cn for more information. 11am. Canadian International School (6465 7788)

Jun 29

INN Monthly Meeting

This month, INN discusses how to "Reinvent Yourself in Beijing" – get

tips on switching careers, continuing your education or exploring volunteering opportunities in Beijing. RMB 40 (includes coffee, tea and pastries). 10am-noon. The Capital Club Athletic Center (8486 2225 ext 136)

Jun 30

Pet Care Session: Departing from China with Pets

Experts at the International Center for Veterinary Services discuss the exit process and vaccination requirements for pets leaving the country or moving to another city in China. Free. 6.30-7.30pm. ICVS (8456 1939)

Every Thu

Zen Meditation Workshops

Learn the teachings and practices of Zen Buddhism. RMB 150 (single class), RMB 400 (four classes). 7.30-9.30pm. CCC Learning Center (6432 9341)

Every Sun

Floral Arranging Class

Learn the basics of flower arranging. RMB 150 per person per hour (includes flowers, tools and accessories). Reservation required. 1-3pm. The Yin Yang Community Center (6431 2108)

ALUMNI ORGANIZATIONS

AustCham Alumni Group

(alumni@austcham.org) www.austcham.org

Canadian Alumni Network (CAN) Alumni from all Canadian universities, colleges and institutions in China, with over 1,000 alumni in Beijing. (info@clubcanada.net)

Columbia Alumni Association of Beijing

Contact Alex Whitworth (134 3932 0595, columbia_beijing@hotmail.com, beijing@alumniclubs.columbia.edu)

The Oxford and Cambridge Club www.occb.cn

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Huanleyuan Culture Club A dating club organizes speed-dating events in various forms throughout the week. 6-10pm. 1) 3502, Bldg 3, Jianwai Soho, Chaoyang District. (6219 1671, 5869 6951/52); 2) 23/F, Linda Building, 8 Dongtucheng Lu, Chaoyang District. (6446 5680); 3) Rm 7A-B, Bldg 2, Beijing Hi-tech Convention & Exhibition Center, 48 Beisanhuan Xilu, Haidian District. (6212 3197) 欢乐园文化俱乐部。 1) 朝阳区朝阳区东三环建外Soho 3号公寓3502。 2) 朝阳区朝阳区东土城路8号林达大厦23层。 3) 海淀区双安店海淀区北三环西路48号会展公寓2号楼7A-B

The Hutong Offers a variety of meetings, clubs and workshops focused on intercultural friendship and learning. 1 Jiudaowan Zhongxiang Hutong (southeast of Beixinqiao subway station), Dongcheng District. (8915 3613, info@the-hutong.com) www.the-hutong.com 东城区九道湾中巷胡同1号(北新桥地铁站东南边)

INSPIRED A learning and inspirational platform to support the professional and personal development needs of expat accompanying spouses in Beijing. The group offers support and practical advice through regular seminars, workshops, one-to-one coaching, and networking opportunities. (136 2113 2201, jasmine@inspiredbeijing.com) www.inspiredbeijing.com

International Newcomers' Network Meetings are held on the last Monday of each month except December. Function Rm, 3/F, Athletic Center, Capital Mansion, 6 Xinyuan Nanlu, Chaoyang District. (8486 2225 ext 110, innbeijing@hotmail.com) www.innbeijing.org 朝阳区新源南路6号京城大厦康乐中心3层

The Yin Yang Community Center Set in a peaceful courtyard, this non-profit is dedicated to physical and spiritual rejuvenation through classes (from yoga to photography), therapy, support groups and events. Also home to a cafe and The Bookworm. Mon-Sat 8am-8pm, Sun 8am-5pm. The First Courtyard, Hegezhuang Village (across from The Orchard; call for directions), Chaoyang District. (6431 2108) www.yinyangbeijing.com 易 阴阳社区中心。朝阳区崔各庄乡何各庄村一号院(果园对面)

HOBBIES AND INTEREST GROUPS

Beijing Organic Consumers Association (BOCA) A Yahoo Group for Beijing residents interested in organic produce and consuming responsibly. Members share resources, ideas and information on how to shop and live responsibly in the city. Contact Liora (139 1030 6022, lioracc@yahoo.com) <http://health.groups.yahoo.com/>

Rutgers Alumni of Beijing (5877 1706/1707, emba_bj@rutgers.asia) www.rutgers.asia

Stanford University Alumni (beijingstanfordalumni@yahoo.com)

UCLA Beijing Club Contact David Wang '95 (david_dw_wang@yahoo.com)

COMMUNITY GROUPS

Black Sesame Kitchen Food writer Jen-Lin Liu's cooking school is housed in a renovated courtyard with an open kitchen and dining room where students can "cook, socialize, dine and wine." Offers weekly class, wine tastings, as well as caters to corporate functions, birthday parties, book readings and other events. 3 Heizhima Hutong, Dongcheng District. (blacksesamekitchen@gmail.com) www.blacksesamekitchen.com 东城区东城区黑芝麻胡同3号

China Culture Center (CCC) A non-governmental and non-profit organization dedicated to promoting Chinese culture all over the world. Kent Center, 29 Anjialou, Liangmaqiao Lu, Chaoyang District. (6432 9341/1041, info@chinaculturecenter.org) www.chinaculturecenter.org 朝阳区亮马桥路29号安家楼育特中心院内

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SCENE & HEARD



Beijingers descended on Chaowai Soho on May 13 for the Sixth Annual Reader Bar & Club Awards. Libations were provided by Cofco Wines & Spirits, Ouzo of Plomari, Lindemans and Stella Artois, Spirit It! and Grand Marnier. Photos by Song Yang and Judy Zhou



Pet Conspiracy's electrified pop on Apr 17 at Yugong Yishan. Photos by Sisco



Italian brand Pierre Mantoux's 2009 Fall/Winter show at Song Bar on Apr 17. Photos courtesy of Pierre Mantoux



Beijing bands rock the crowd at the Zebra Music Festival (May 1-3) in Chengdu. Photos by Lisa Liang



InterContinental Hotels Group has added one more award-winning Holiday Inn to its Beijing portfolio with the opening of Holiday Inn Beijing Deshengmen on Apr 23, bringing the total number of IHG hotels in Beijing to 19. Photo courtesy of IHG



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ChocoJing: The Chocolate Appreciation Society of Beijing Meets about once a month to hold chocolate tastings, explore different types of chocolates and their origins and in general have an excuse to gorge themselves silly. (chocojing@heartbeijing.com) www.heartbeijing.com/chocojing.html

Green Drinks A forum for individuals interested in the environment, sustainable development, corporate social responsibility, and social and environmental justice issues. Meets on the second Tuesday of each month to network and socialize. Contact Jenny Chu (134 2636 9618, bjgreendrinks@gmail.com) http://groups.google.com/group/bjgreendrinks

VIVA: Beijing Professional Women's Network A career support network for professionally-minded women. Meets on the last Wednesday of each month for networking and a seminar on professional development. (membership@vivabeijing.org) www.vivabeijing.org

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