



## WELCOME TO THE SECOND GK NEWSLETTER FROM RMIT 2003-2004

*A note from the Newsletter Editor...*

Hey Golden Keyers, just wishing everyone a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. I hope all went well with everyone's studies this year and congratulations to everyone who graduated this year, I know that there were some in the committee including myself.

This is a short newsletter just to inform everyone what's been happening in the world of RMIT GK since our last newsletter and to especially to promote the ART PRIZE that Golden Key RMIT in association with 4cats Gallery is hosting. For more information please read page 3. Also some highlights remembered from the last national convention in Sydney from past committee members as the upcoming event is being held in Perth. So to everyone, enjoy the rest of the holidays and I hope to see everyone next year. **Dinesh Brand**

## BBQS AND THE MATRIX RELOADED

### OUR FIRST SOCIAL EVENTS

To kick off the beginning of the GK academic year, why not start off with some campus awareness and promoting upcoming social events. And that's exactly what GK RMIT did by having two BBQ's at RMIT. One in the city campus, on 5<sup>th</sup> of September 11am-3pm and one at the Bundoora West campus on Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> of September 11am-3pm.

These BBQ events were held to promote GK and to say that the RMIT chapter is alive and well and to promote the first social event which is the screening of *The Matrix: Reloaded* at the *Kalaide Theatre* from 1-4pm, Friday 12<sup>th</sup> of Sept at the city campus, RMIT. The screening of *Reloaded* was an excellent idea because in future time, the final installment would be due for release worldwide, and what a way to refresh our memories with a revisit of part II.

### HERE'S WHAT THE PRESIDENT HAD TO SAY...

Hi Golden Keyers, Just a little reminder in case you haven't checked the website recently, Golden Key is back this financial year, with a brand new committee, full of young enthusiastic members. We've got a great year planned with loads of social, community service and educational events planned. We had our Sausage Sizzle last Friday at the City Campus. (Sorry, but the email didn't get sent out due to technical difficulties). But if you missed the sausage sizzle last week in the City, head on over to the Bundoora West Campus tomorrow, where we have a sausage sizzle between 11.30am and 2.30pm. Our next major Social event is the *Matrix: Reloaded* screening, which is going to take place this Friday at the Kaleide Theatre. It should be a great event so head on down there on Friday at around 1PM to catch the hottest movie of the year. For more information, check out our [events page](#). If you have any further questions about the Movie, or about Golden Key in general, please don't hesitate to contact me or one of the committee members.

Regards,

Priji Vijayakumar,  
GK RMIT President.

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[www.goldenkey.rmit.edu.au](http://www.goldenkey.rmit.edu.au)

OR THE INTERNATIONAL WEBSITE  
[www.goldenkey.org](http://www.goldenkey.org)

## 2003 Golden Key Asia-Pacific Conference

Recently, RMIT's GK current President, Priji and Treasurer Jasmine attended the international GK convention held in Chicago, USA. Presently, they are working on their articles to submit to the newsletter telling all of us of their exciting experience. While we wait for the informing feedback, lets travel back to the national Asia-Pacific Conference held in Sydney, Australia, at the beginning of the year where some of the executives from the past committee attended this prestigious occasion. Let's hear what they had to say.

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The annual Golden Key Asia-Pacific Conference was once again held in Sydney this year. For three exciting days (February 6-9), the troops from the RMIT Chapter, namely Lidya Paulina, Jasmine Bojadzieva, Ferry Lie and Jake Chan attended intense workshops and had the opportunity to meet delegates from around the world, even taking part in a scenic harbour cruise.

Here are their thoughts on the trip to Sydney.

### "An Invaluable Experience"

Along with three other committee members (Jasmine Bojadzieva, Ferry Lie and Jake Chan), I had the chance to attend the Asia-Pacific Conference, themed 'Growing Tall Poppies'. In commemoration of 10 years of achievement in the region, this year's AP Conference was once again held in Sydney, where it was first founded.

Undoubtedly, it was a great pleasure for me to be given the opportunity to take part in this conference, not only as an 'audience', but also to present a workshop together with Jake Chan and Alissa O'Neill from Sydney headquarter.

As expected, the conference provided the opportunity to meet new people and extend our networks, and most importantly, to learn. It was such an eye-opener to see what other Golden Key chapters in the Asia-Pacific region had been up to. It was truly amazing to view the displays and learn of the social events organised by the other chapter, and in particular their Community Services. It had inspired me personally to strive not only for academic excellence, but also to serve our very own community.

I was very astounded to see the remarkable efforts contributed by other Chapters. In particular,

University Putra Malaysia Chapter, having to put together their CAFÉ display, bringing a tremendous amount of styro-foam all the way from Malaysia for the other Chapters to see, not to mention the outstanding number of delegates who attended - nine in total!! They were awarded one free registration for the next AP Conference and truly deserved the CAFÉ Display Winner title.

I have enriched myself with knowledge from various workshops I attended. Valuable suggestions and new guidelines were certainly gained. Nevertheless, being a workshop presenter was surely a totally different experience - a good experience at that. Having presented a workshop on 'New Members Reception', I hope we are able to organise a better reception this year to once again prove our great organisational skills!

Moreover, I strongly encourage more candidates from RMIT to present workshops. It is a great opportunity to improve public speaking skills and of course time management. Call me crazy, but, I would really like too see one of us from RMIT presenting a workshop at 2003 International Convention in Chicago, or at least present a decent CAFÉ Display.

Lastly, my overall impression on this AP Conference is, of course - FANTASTIC!! The food was good, nice people, great workshops, inspiring speakers, and a fantastic harbour cruise!! Looking forward to experience yet another Golden Key adventure in Chicago this year!

Lidya Paulina  
PRESIDENT  
Golden Key - RMIT Chapter

### "AP Conference - beyond expectations"

The Golden Key Asia-Pacific Conference was held in Sydney this year and I had the pleasure to attend and enjoy what was truly an unforgettable experience.

Many of the organisers and volunteers from the host Universities, in particular The University of Sydney, Macquarie University, University of Western Sydney and The University of Wollongong made us feel welcome from the very beginning. We were presented with many valuable speakers, from students to honorary guests, who enriched us with their experiences and achievements; whilst praising us - the Golden Key delegates, as the members who will play a vital role in introducing positive new changes and improvements to both the community and University life.

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We were also able to take part in many of the workshops available. The workshops were organised into two categories; the Chapter Activity Workshops and the Community Service Workshops. Some of the ideas and topics that were discussed included the contribution of Honorary members, increasing the communication and involvement between Golden Key and its members, as well as the ways in which to improve your personal and business goals.

What I will cherish from this event will be the people that I have met, the delegates from Malaysia, New Zealand and the GK members from the different Australian chapters whom I have become friends with.

This conference certainly exceeded my expectations and gave me much enthusiasm, positive energy and new ideas that I hope to incorporate into RMIT Golden Key Chapter and my personal life.

The conference was definitely worth attending and I would strongly encourage both executive and GK members to attend and enjoy the many benefits associated with such an amazing event.

**Jasmine Bojadzieva**  
**SOCIAL CHAIRPERSON**  
**Golden Key - RMIT Chapter**

### **"Experience it for yourself"**

For the last few months before the conference, I have been listening to Lidya regarding her trip to a similar conference in Atlanta, USA. She claimed it to be a great experience. And so, I wanted to experience for myself and see how great it could be. I was hardly expecting anything at first. However once I was there, I met a lot of great people. Upon getting to know them a little bit better, I realised they have done so many amazing things with their life. Some of them even carried out workshops to share their stories, experiences and giving invaluable advice on how to improve your GK Chapter and even your career.

For those who have already been there, you would of course know how I feel. And for the rest, prepare yourself for the next conference either at the Asia-Pacific Conference or the International Conference.

**Ferry Lie**  
**TREASURER**  
**Golden Key - RMIT Chapter**

## **ART PRIZE**

Dear Golden Keyers,

Knowing it is not easy for an emerging artist to get some exposure in the art world, Golden Key RMIT Chapter, in association with 4cats Gallery, want to support emerging artists. We have developed the Golden Key RMIT Art Prize. Entries are sought from any field of art to win three sponsorships to hold solo exhibitions at 4cats Gallery. The Finalist exhibition held at 4cats Gallery will be in the main gallery. Artworks entered must be available for this exhibition held in March 23rd - April 7th, 2004. For more information and application forms please visit <http://www.goldenkey.rmit.edu.au/>, or contact Philip or Therese Grant at 4cats Gallery on 03 94177 422.

The Golden Key RMIT Art Prize is a non-profit project which focuses totally in the recognition and encouragement of artistic achievement and excellence of emerging artists at RMIT.

Entry fees:

General students	\$30
RMIT Students	\$25
Golden Key Members	\$20

Applications to be sent by mail to 4cats Gallery 269 Johnston St, Abbotsford, VIC 3067, with an application form (available at <http://www.goldenkey.rmit.edu.au/>) a photo of your artwork and a self-stamped envelope for a prompt response to your entry.

Golden Key is an academic honour society, which recognises and encourages scholastic achievement and excellence among college and university students from all academic disciplines. Members are also connected to exclusive career opportunities and assistance through Golden Key's partnerships with major corporations and graduate programs. The Society provides campus and community service opportunities enabling personal growth and leadership development as well as collaborating with university faculty and administrators to develop and maintain high standards of education.

Regards,  
Golden Key RMIT Chapter