



THE STEWARD SCHOOL

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MEDIA ADVISORY for Wednesday, November 15
Manyang Reath Kher and Ger Duany, founders of “Humanity Helping Sudan Project,”
to visit The Steward School for “Grounds for Good” program
Program is FREE to community: afternoon making, tasting & craft fair, evening discussion

WHO:

- Manyang Reath Kher and Ger Duany, former “Lost Boys” of Sudan and founders of Humanity Helping Sudan Project
- Representatives from: Virginia Museum of Fine Arts, Hummingbird Gardens, Sub Rosa Bakery, River City Wood Fire pizza, Maven Made RVA, Love This, and more
- JK-12 students and teachers from The Steward School, including instructors from the Bryan Innovation Lab
- Parents, children, and others from the Richmond community

WHAT:

As part of the 2017-18 Bryan Innovation Lab Visiting Innovators Program, The Steward School is hosting Manyang Reath Kher and Ger Duany, former Sudanese refugees and founders of the [Humanity Helping Sudan Project](#) (HHS) and [734 Coffee](#). HHS is a global organization providing Sudanese refugees with the tools and knowledge to achieve self-sufficiency. It is partly funded through 734 Coffee sales. It also has ties to Richmond; Kher is a University of Richmond alumnus and worked on HHS while living here.

The program at Steward is “*Grounds for Good: Changing Lives in Africa through the Coffee We Drink.*”

While on campus, Kher and Duany will participate in activities that are open to the Richmond community, including an afternoon Making, Tasting & Craft Fair and an evening presentation and discussion. They will share their story of how they’re changing lives in their homeland, and inspire the community by showing the difference every individual person can make. Participants will learn about how 734 Coffee is helping in Africa, and how our own local food innovators are serving our own community. We’ll also enjoy the best of Richmond’s local fare.

WHEN: Wednesday, November 15

3:15 p.m. Making, Tasting, & Craft Fair: This family-friendly event will include free children’s activities, as well as artisan food and craft vendors who are donating a portion of their proceeds to HHS. Steward instructors, the VMFA, Hummingbird Gardens and more will lead activities for children, and food and craft vendors include [Sub Rosa Bakery](#), [River City Wood Fire pizza](#), [Love This](#), and [Maven Made](#).

5:30 p.m. Kher and Duany Presentation and Discussion (Children’s activities offered during this program.)

WHERE: Bryan Innovation Lab (on The Steward School campus)

11600 Gayton Road, Richmond, Virginia 23238
(804) 740-3394

RSVP: Registration is recommended for all events: <https://stewardschool.org/grounds-for-good>

DETAILS: Manyang Reath Kher and Ger Duany are among the thought leaders featured in the 2017-18 Bryan Innovation Lab Visiting Innovators Program. While on campus, these innovators share their expertise in a variety of ways—they speak to students, work with classes on relevant issues, make presentations that are open to the Richmond community, and conduct workshops for educators and families. This furthers The Steward School's commitment to fostering innovation in students and the greater Richmond community. The program is made possible through support from the Edward E. Ford Foundation, Robins Foundation, and Luck Companies Foundation. For more information, visit <http://www.stewardschool.org/vip>.

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