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Future US National Conferences

US Servas has had a tradition of annual National conferences for quite some time. They are fun and energizing. At this point, the Board has not received... [more](#)

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Website Refresh Project

by Dan Bare

Starting Jan. 23rd, US Servas is kicking off a three-month project to redesign and... [more](#)



Website - Add Your 2¢

by Bill Magargal

We can really use your ideas and help with the website refresh project... [more](#)

My Life-Changing and Memorable SYLE in Brazil

by Hannah McKenzie

I began my SYLE experience in São Paulo, Brazil, and then moved on to meet my hosts in Rio de Janeiro (where I am now based). SYLE is the Servas Youth Language Experience in which youth ages 18-30 are able to spend a month in the country of your choice immersed in the local language and culture. I completed a four-week intensive... [more](#)



2024 Annual Meeting - Make Your Voice Heard

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by David Schwartz

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by Lee Rowley

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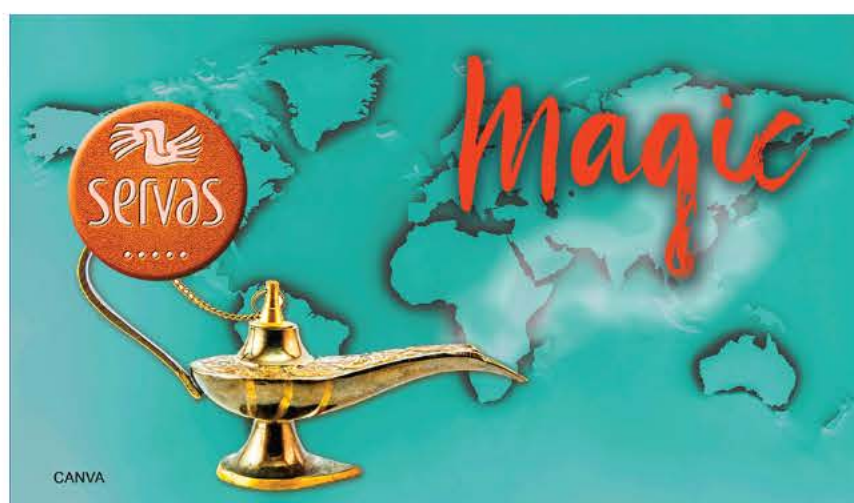


Servas Veterans - Share the Magic!

You know the magic of Servas, the joy of connecting with people from around the world, the thrill of exploring new cultures and languages. Now, more than ever, is the perfect time to share that magic with... [more](#)

Unforgettable Servas Latin American Gathering by Will Mahoney

I emailed Javier Heusser, the Servas national secretary for Chile. He invited me to stay with him and his wife, Christine Chalumeau, and sent information about a 4-day... [more](#)



CSW68 & NGO Forum

by Kent Macauley

This year's 68th conference (CSW68) is being held in New York City from March 11 to 22. Twenty Servas members worldwide (four from North America) have been selected



to attend CSW68 in-person.

The **NGO Forum** is huge and dynamic, typically with 700-800 "parallel events. We are excited that Servas is organizing and will be offering three of the parallel events as follows... [more](#)