

February is important in the U.S. for African-American History month, Groundhog Day, Valentine's Day and the Super Bowl.



**"They say the neon lights are bright on Broadway"**  
Congratulations to Sulim Song, winner of a pair of tickets to a Broadway show from the GEOS NYC winter promotion!



Noriko Matsumoto is currently a level 4 student at the Chelsea campus. She is a street photographer and has been taking photos for over 10 years. In her work, Noriko focuses on people doing something in the moment; then she takes their photo. Her style is influenced by the work of Elliott Erwitt. In true GEOS form, a big crowd showed up to support her opening night exhibition.



**Student Speak**

**What's your name?** Xiangxiang Yuan  
**Where are you from?** Beijing China  
**What do you do in your country?**  
I'm a salsa instructor  
**Why do you want to study English?** I would like to better communicate with people at my job.  
**When did you come to New York?**  
12.12 2008  
**How long will you stay?** 3 months



My name is **Hikmet Hakan Kevseroglu** but my friends call me just Hakan. I am from Kayseri, TURKIYE

**What do you do in your country?** I am a university student in my country. My major is Business Management .

**Why do you want to study English?**  
I want to study English because my university wants for me the Toefl exam to pass the English class so I have to study English and pass the Toefl exam.

**When did you come to New York?** I came to New York 3 months ago

**What is the best thing you have seen/done so far in the city?** I like the walk around the city I like almost everywhere in the city but i think Times Square is the most beautiful place in the city even if there is crowded.



## GEOS Language Institute February, 2009

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 	2 <b>INTAKE DAY</b>	3 Greenwich Village 	4 	5 free lesson Language Of LOVE 3pm	6 	7 
8 	9 In House Movie & Popcorn Day	10 	11 	12 	13 "The Geos Dating Game"	14 HAPPY VALENTINES DAY!!!
15 	16 Closed <b>Presidents Day</b>	17 	18 	19 free lesson Resume Writing 3pm	20 <b>Better @ English</b>	21 
22 	23 	24 Coffee Talk @ Junior's Famous Cheesecake	25 	26 	27 <b>Pizza &amp; a Movie</b>	28 



## Getting to Know Josh Gilchrist - Student Services Coordinator

I grew up in a brownstone in Cobble Hill, and spent summers on Long Island, where I learned to love the outdoors, swimming, sailing, tennis and hiking in the woods. I live now in Brooklyn Heights.

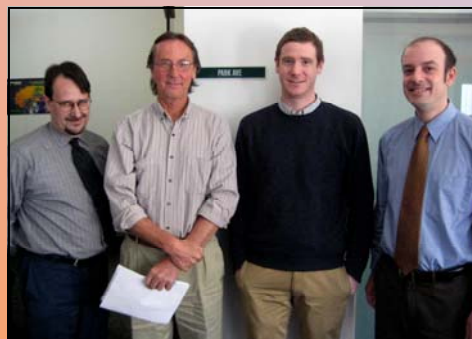
I earned my bachelor's at Hunter College, CUNY, which is also where I pursued a teaching degree. I became interested in teaching ESL because it was an exciting field with many opportunities to teach in different places. I started teaching at GEOS New York in April 2006, and have been at the school ever since.

My favorite part of teaching is getting to know the students. Our students are really nice, and I learn a lot from them. Teaching is a learning experience. It keeps me on my toes!

As homestay coordinator, I travel all around the city visiting homes in different places. I try to choose the best match for each student, and help the students if they have a problem. I also provide support to the families, and help them to do their best. I also arrange for students to be met at the airport.

One thing I like about doing homestay is that I have learned a lot about the city. The best part is when a student really likes their family. It's also great when a family tells me how much they like their students!

## Great Classes start with GREAT TEACHERS!



Level 4: Josh Gilchrist, David Stock, Brian Hutchinson and Ben Smith



Levels 5 & 6: Jennifer Carter, Briana Raissi (Academic Coordinator) and Alicia Resnick

Levels 1 & 2: Velesia Lewis and Rena Lekach



Level 3:  
Roger Graham and Brian Leo



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