

ESILL

The Eastern Shore Institute for Lifelong Learning
"The School for the Fun of It!"

VANUATU: THE WILDEST, WACKIEST COUNTRY YOU NEVER HEARD OF!



The Republic of Vanuatu (ex-New Hebrides) is perhaps the least known country on Earth, despite playing a pivotal part in World War II, being the home of the real "Bali Hai" from *South Pacific* and having tribal chiefs in the outer islands who have the power of life or death over their villagers. Lew Toulmin, world traveler and advisor to The Discovery Channel's show, "Legendary Locations", will cover many odd and entertaining aspects of Vanuatu, including its strange history and bizarre politics, why China and Indonesia are secretly involved in its national elections, and how a big chunk of the Vanuatu Cabinet and Parliament ended up in jail. Lew's adventures there include solving the mystery of a WWII military plane wreck, interviewing the chiefs of two cult tribes, one of which worships Prince Phillip as a god, and witnessing their sacred "land diving" ritual, the harrowing inspiration to bungee jumping, in which males from 12 to 35 dive off bamboo towers up to 90' high, head first toward the dirt below.

1:30-3pm, 3 classes

Tues., Nov. 13, Thurs., Nov. 15 and Tues. Nov. 20

Tuition \$23

Friends of ESILL pay just \$18

To register, call Laurie Wiggins at 990-5555

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