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Upcoming Events

Saturday, October 3, 2009

Issues in Education — Educators Roundtable

Location: Home of Priscilla Heim
Time: 12:30 P.M.
Cost: \$15, all attendees
Contact : Priscilla Heim, priheim@verizon.net

Saturday, October 10, 2009

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Location: John Anson Ford Theatre
Time: 8:00 P.M.
Cost: \$30, members; \$35, non-members
Contact : Albert Chang, AlbertChang@charter.net

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Online Course: Through the Looking Glass

Location: Online / TBA (discussion groups)
Time: TBA (runs for eight weeks)
Cost: \$10, members; \$20, non-members
Contact : Albert Chang, AlbertChang@charter.net

Monday, October 26, 2009

Half the Sky: An Evening with Nicholas D. Kristof

Location: The City Club on Bunker Hill
Time: 6:30 P.M.
Cost: \$65, members & guests; \$75, non-members
Contact : Cynthia Torres, cynthia@cynthiatorres.com

Monday, November 2, 2009

Book Talk: Looking for Your Next Job

Location: The Oak Room Bistro / Village Books
Time: 5:30 P.M.
Cost: \$5.00, members; \$10, non-members
Contact : Cynthia Torres, cynthia@cynthiatorres.com

Tuesday, November 3, 2009

Lang Lang and Friends - Save the Date!

Location: Renee and Henry Segerstrom Concert Hall
Orange County Performing Arts Center
Time: 8:00 P.M.
Cost: \$45, members & guests; \$55, non-members
Contact : John McHugh, jpmchugh1@yahoo.com

Saturday, November 21, 2009

The 126th Harvard-Yale Football Game Telecast 2 Locations (Los Angeles and Orange County)

Location: Yankee Doodles, Santa Monica
Cost: 8:45 A.M.
Contact : Franklin Barreno, franklin@barreno.com



The Southern California Class of 2013 Is Off to Cambridge

The Club congratulates the 95 Southern California students who began their Harvard careers with the Class of 2013. A record 2,185 students applied from our region in 2008-09.

William R. Fitzsimmons, Harvard's Dean of Admissions and Financial Aid, said that California now produces more applicants than any other state. In 2009 California had 4,648 applicants, the highest number of admits (315), and the most matriculants (235).

"The Club extends our thanks to our army of more than 800 Schools Committee members who completed the extraordinary task of interviewing each applicant," said Schools Committee Chair Jonathan Baskin AB '61. "We especially thank our Area Chairs who took on the responsibility of organizing this interviewing effort," added Baskin.

"The large number of applicants is partly due to Harvard's policy of continuing its generous financial aid initiatives despite a difficult economic environment," said Baskin.

The Class of 2013 enjoyed a Freshman Convocation,

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**Half the Sky: An Evening
with New York Times
Columnist and Author
Nicholas D. Kristof AB '82**

The Harvard Club of Southern California and The Cornell Club of Los Angeles invite you to a reception and dinner with *The New York Times* Columnist Nicholas D. Kristof, author of *Half the Sky*:

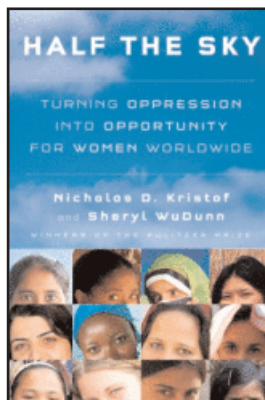
Turning Oppression into Opportunity for Women Worldwide.

- Date:** Monday, October 26, 2009
- Time:** 6:30 p.m. (reception); 7:30 p.m. (dinner)
- Location:** The City Club on Bunker Hill
- Cost:** Members, \$65; Non-Members, \$75
- Register:** <http://www.Harvard-LA.org>
- Contact:** Cynthia Torres, cynthia@cynthiatorres.com, 310-260-1037

The ancient Chinese saying, “Women hold up half the sky” captures the realization that the empowerment of women is the key to society’s success. Nicholas D. Kristof, *The New York Times* columnist and two time winner of the Pulitzer Prize, has co-authored with his wife Sheryl WuDunn MBA '86 a searing look at poverty in the third world. They depict human rights violations that occur daily in the developing world against women and girls, and issue a passionate call to arms for change. Their stories span the continents of Africa and Asia and describe how a little help can transform lives.

In 1990, Mr. Kristof and his wife, Ms. WuDunn, then also a Times reporter, won a Pulitzer Prize for their coverage of China's Tiananmen Square democracy movement. Mr. Kristof won a second Pulitzer Prize in 2006 for commentary, for what the judges called “his graphic, deeply reported columns that, at personal risk, focused attention on genocide in Darfur and that gave voice to the voiceless in other parts of the world.” He has served as bureau chief for The New York Times in Hong Kong, Beijing, and Tokyo. His other journalism prizes include the George Polk award, the Overseas Press Club award, the Michael Kelly award, the Online News Association award, and the American Society of Newspaper Editors award.

Copies of the book will be available for sale at the event. Mr. Kristof will sign books following the talk.



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This newsletter accepts items for publication. Materials must be submitted by the 12th of the prior month to appear in the following newsletter. Please include a phone number or email address with all submissions. Email submissions to: HRClubSoCa@aol.com

Lang Lang and Friends

Save the Date!



Date: Tuesday, Nov. 3, 2009
Time: 8:00 p.m.
Cost: \$45 members & guests; \$55 non-members
Location: Renee and Henry Segerstrom Concert Hall
Orange County Performing Arts Center
Contact: John McHugh, jpmchugh1@yahoo.com
Register: <http://www.Harvard-LA.org>

This is the first event sponsored by Carnegie Hall outside of New York City and a special celebration of current performing arts of China.

After his unforgettable appearance during the Philharmonic Society of Orange County's 2008-2009 Season Opening Night Celebration, pianist Lang Lang returns with a program entitled Lang Lang and Friends. Lang Lang will perform alongside up-and-coming young Chinese musicians including erhu player Guo Gan, tenor GeQuan Wang, and featuring 10-year old piano prodigy Marc Yu. The repertoire includes Schubert: Rondo in A major, Bizet: Fantasy On Themes From Carmen, and Tchaikovsky: Piano Trio. **Deadline to register is October 27th - first-come, first-served.**

Dream Dance II - East West Fusion



Date: Saturday, October 10, 2009
Time: 8:00 p.m.
Location: John Anson Ford Theatre
Cost: Members, \$30; Non-Members, \$35
Contact: Albert Chang, AlbertChang@charter.net
Register: <http://www.Harvard-LA.org>

Please join us for a unique dance event at the John Anson Ford Theatre: Dream Dance II East West Fusion. The classic Chinese dances of the Han/Tang Dynasties create an ideal landscape of ancient elements fused with contemporary styles in a burst of colorful lights, flowing costumes and enchanting sounds.

Dream Dance II is a local dance group under the artistic direction of Ting-ting Chang. Optional: Bring a picnic at 6:30 PM. Food service is also available. This is an Asian-American Outreach Committee sponsored event. **Deadline to register is October 7.**



Online Course: Through the Looking Glass

Date: Wednesday, October 21, 2009 (launch date)
Location: Online / TBA (discussion groups)
Cost: Members, \$10; Non-Members, \$20 (for all three meetings)
Contact: Albert Chang, AlbertChang@charter.net or 310-994-9974
Register: <http://www.Harvard-LA.org>

The Harvard Alumni Association is launching an on-line learning experience this month, "Through the Looking Glass." The multidisciplinary program will include 13 online lecture videos supplemented by a course blog and bonus lecture videos of guest speakers and student discussion groups. This course is slated to begin October 21st and will run for eight weeks, concluding on December 9, 2009.

"Through the Looking Glass" will focus on the history, literature, and philosophy of childhood. Harvard Professor Maria Tatar will examine childhood's deep complexities and emotional appeal through the study of classic tales. Further information about the course, which is offered to alumni at no charge, is available at <http://post.harvard.edu/other/html/index.html>.

Join your fellow Club members in a local discussion group that will meet and discuss the lectures and course reading that will include Alice in Wonderland, Peter Pan, Charlotte's Web, and other stories. **The deadline to register is October 19, 2009.** Albert Chang will coordinate the local course. The three discussion sessions will meet on November 7, November 21, and December 12 from 10 a.m. - 12 noon at the home of a Club member. The location of the discussion sections will be given to registrants before the first meeting. Refreshments will be served.

which took place on September 1st. Professor Baskin participated as a Marshall in this event, handing out class pins and helping to lead students from their dorms to the convocation.

The Club is seeking additional interviewers to aid the 2009-2010 interviewing effort. Any Club member interested in having an impact on Harvard's future by interviewing applicants should contact Jonathan Baskin at jnbaskin@pacbell.net, or at 626-449-8226.



Jonathan Baskin, AB '61, So Cal Schools Chairman, with Carolyn Hughes AB '54, HAA Elected Director from Oceanside, New York. Photo by Lily Hsiang '13

South Orange County

- Blaine Charles Bolus, Corona Del Mar HS
- Ariana Christine Cernius, Newport Harbor HS
- Alissa Nicole Changala, Northwood HS
- Michael Eric Danto, Tesoro High School
- John Paul Hogan, Newport Harbor HS
- Kevin Virender Jain, Santa Margarita HS
- Yacoub Hanna Kureh, Santa Margarita HS
- Nitish Lakhanpal, University High School
- Jennifer Lynn Martin, Corona Del Mar HS
- Elise Marie Molnar, Corona Del Mar HS
- Daniel Jacob Moskovits, Corona Del Mar HS
- Joshua Ra, University High School
- Karina Shaw, Laguna Beach HS
- Chyi-Shin Shu, Beckman HS
- Olivia Mewes Staffon, Santa Margarita HS
- Lora Dimitrova Stoianova, San Clemente HS

North Orange County

- Taylor Anne Compton, Pacific High School
- Paul Hamilton Farber, Orange County HS of the Arts
- Daniel Alexander Gross, Los Alamitos High School
- Yasha Stephen Iravantchi, Los Alamitos High School
- Min Surk Lee, Oxford Academy
- Daniel Jerome Alba Martinez, Oxford Academy
- Sachin Hitesh Patel, Troy High School
- Laura Giselle Pena, El Dorado High School
- Michael Isaac Pena, Troy High School
- Melissa Victoria Perez, Santa Ana High School
- Deisy Yesenia Ruiz, Fullerton Union HS
- Shauna Lee Stewart, Cornelia Connelly SC
- Fabiola Vega, Segerstron High School

South Bay

- Ashley Nicole Bobo, Long Beach Polytech HS
- Omar Fernando Garcia, Gahr High School
- Philip Yen Gingerich, Palos Verdes Pen. HS
- Francisco Daniel Hernandez, Lennox Math Sciece & Technology Academy
- Tri Vo Huynh, Gardena High School
- Yusef Jamal Jordan, Palos Verdes Pen. HS
- Tessa Mariel Kaplan, Long Beach Polytech HS
- James Samuel Klein, Palos Verdes Pen. HS
- Amy Meredith Lin, Palos Verdes Pen. HS
- Antone Martinho, Woodrow Wilson HS
- Frankie Kin San Wong, Gretchen Whitney HS

Central Los Angeles

- Ashtynn Breeze Baltimore, Marlborough School
- Carlyle Alexandra Davis, Marlborough School
- Ricardo Medina, Bell Gardens HS
- Antonio Kenneth Sweet, Loyola High School
- Khadijah Williams, Thomas Jefferson HS
- Min Yu, Mark Keppel High School

West Los Angeles

- Adan Acevedo, Brentwood School
- Eric Samuel Arzoian, Harvard-Westlake
- Julie Rebecca Barzilai, Harvard-Westlake
- Eleanor Stuart Combs, Marymount High School
- Caroline Margaret Cuse, Harvard-Westlake
- Nicholas Day Cuse, Harvard-Westlake
- Maxwell Allen Eliot, Harvard-Westlake
- Spencer Marc Friedman, Harvard-Westlake
- William David Goulston, Harvard-Westlake
- Jason Charles Hirschhorn, Harvard-Westlake
- Elaine Dahye Kim, Crossroads School
- Albert Heon Lee, Beverly Hills HS
- Anne Elizabeth Medallis McGrath, Harvard-Westlake
- Anna Heneghan Bulins Ondaatje, Windward School
- Giuliana G Repetti, Brentwood School
- Liora Nazanin Simozar, Beverly Hills HS
- Eli Manfred Stein, Harvard-Westlake
- Catherine Eloise Williams, Harvard-Westlake

San Fernando Valley

- Grant Michael Gonzalez, Oaks Christian HS
- Elston He, West Ranch HS
- Leslie Ivette Jimenez, North Hollywood High School
- Taryn Irene Kurcz, Agoura High School
- Brian Francis Owusu, Oaks Christian HS
- Joshua Tchan, Wm Howard Taft HS
- Emma Margaret Templeton, Reseda High School

San Gabriel Valley

- Jessica Murphy Ferri, Flintridge Sacred Heart Academy
- Joselyn Anly Lai, Polytechnic School
- Amy Hopfield Lifland, Polytechnic School
- Yuanjian Luo, Arroyo High School
- Victor Angel Mata, Don Bosco Technical Inst.
- Douglas Chase Muhlestein, South Pasadena HS
- Devon Maureen Newhouse, Mayfield Senior School

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- Edward Benjamin Samuels, Polytechnic School
- Rosario Milagros Santillana, West Covina High School
- Chason William Sippel, Damien High School
- Krystal Loo-tien Tung, South Pasadena HS

San Bernardino/ Riverside

- Sophia Leigh Angelis, Rim of the World HS
- Andrew Quinn Blinkinsop, Palm Springs High School
- Brian In Choi, Vista Murrieta HS
- Marlee Man Ting Chong, Yucaipa Senior HS
- Nisha Anil Deolalikar, Poly High School
- Sarah Elizabeth Farrell, Poly High School
- Nicolas Elias Jofre, La Sierra High School
- Reshma Altaf Lutfeali, Vivian Webb School
- Amanda Ngoc Nguyen, Centennial High School
- Gavin Dean Pascarella, Centennial High School
- Miranda McKinley Ravicz, Palm Springs High School
- Alan Silva, Ramona High School

The Harvard-Yale Football Game



Telecast (LA&OC)



Save the Date!

Saturday, November 21, 2009



L.A. Opera: Handel's Tamerlano at the Dorothy Chandler Pavilion — Starring Plácido Domingo

Join the Harvard Club of Southern California at the Los Angeles Opera for Handel's Tamerlano starring Placido Domingo, who stars - in the 126th role of his brilliant career! - as Bajazet, a Turkish sultan. **Deadline to Register is October 20, 2009.**

- Date:** Saturday, November 28, 2009
- Time:** 2:00 P.M. (optional lunch at 11:30)
- Location:** Dorothy Chandler Pavilion
- Cost:** \$50 (Balcony B Front seating)
- Contact:** Kay Park, kayparkmd@yahoo.com
- Register:** <http://www.Harvard-LA.org>



On Nose Rings and Networking: Looking for Your Next Job

- Date:** Monday, November 2, 2009
- Time:** 5:30 P.M. reception / 7:30 P.M. discussion
- Locations:** The Oak Room Bistro / Village Books (Pacific Palisades)
- Cost:** \$5.00, members; \$10, non-members
- Register:** <http://www.Harvard-LA.org>
- Contact:** Cynthia Torres, cynthia@cynthiatorres.com



Are you looking for a job, internship or volunteer opportunity, or know someone who is? Once you're on the job, learn how to make the most of your workplace, and figure out what to do when it's time to move on. Join us to hear author Ellen Gordon Reeves AB '83, EdM '86 talk about her new book, *Can I Wear My Nose Ring to the Interview?* Reeves will discuss how to look for and land the job or position you want: how to tailor resumes and cover letters, network effectively, what to wear to the interview, what to do in the waiting room, how NOT to shake hands, and how to answer classic interview questions. Reeves will answer any questions you have about the job-hunting process and how to present yourself professionally, and will highlight Harvard Alumni Association resources to help you in your job search, professional, and volunteer activities.

Reception (5:30 - 7:00 - cash bar)
The Oak Room Bistro
1035 Swarthmore Avenue
Pacific Palisades, CA
<http://www.oakroombistrobar.com>

Discussion (7:30-8:30)
Village Books
1049 Swarthmore Avenue
Pacific Palisades, CA
<http://palivillagebooks.com>



New Harvard Internship Program in Southern California During January Term



For the first time, Harvard students from throughout the University are available for internships and short term projects in Southern California during the new “January Term” from Monday, January 4, 2010- Friday, January 22, 2010, a period of three weeks. Harvard's adoption of a new common calendar, where final examinations are conducted before the winter holidays in each of Harvard's schools, has led to the new January term.

Harvard Club President Ken Williams has announced the formation of a Southern California job bank for Harvard students who are returning to our region during this period. “We are delighted to have the opportunity to engage our talented Harvard students in meaningful work during their January break,” Williams said. “Southern California is home to some of the most interesting and dynamic industries and organizations in the country, and Harvard University alumni are active at every level in these fields. We look forward to their offering a rich and diverse set of opportunities for the January Term.”

The Harvard Club of Southern California is joining forces with Harvardwood and the Harvard Business School of Southern California on this project. The Southern California Harvard Clubs are asking Club members to offer internships to Harvard students during the January Term period. Compensation is not required and students are responsible for their own travel and housing.

To post a January Experience go to: <http://www.ocs.fas.harvard.edu/alumni>. Please include JANUARY in the title of the opportunity you are posting.. Non-profit organizations may also post positions through contacting Diana Wan at dianawan@fas.harvard.edu. Postings should include the following details:

- Employer name, address, telephone number, fax number, and e-mail address
- Duration of assignment (suggestion: January 4 - 22, 2010)
- Job Description
- If a stipend is, or is not, available. If so, how much?

Mia Riverton, Harvardwood Co-President, said that Harvardwood is planning to host its annual “Harvardwood 101” six-day program during the first part of the break. Optional add-on internships in the entertainment industry are also available for interested students.

Harvard alumni are able to post internships, “shadowing opportunities” in which a student accompanies an alumnus on calls and in meetings during a designated period of time, and short term projects, at Harvard websites where they may be viewed by students.

Southern California has produced approximately 400 current Harvard College students. There are an unknown number of Harvard graduate students who may also be interested in internship opportunities during this period.



Club Provides Scholarships to Four Local Harvard Students

The Club is pleased to announce that four Southern California members of the Class of 2012 will receive over \$75,000 in scholarship funds for the 2009-2010 academic year. These funds were made available through the generosity of our Club members, who contribute each year to our Scholarship fund.

“One of our most important functions as a club is to be able to provide this money to deserving students, particularly in these current times,” said Ken Williams, Club President.

The recipients represent a diverse cross-section of Southern California students. They include:

- Christine Cho of La Crescenta and Crescenta Valley HS
- Lavinia Mitroi of Loma Linda and Redlands Senior HS
- Joel Ayala of Burbank and Burbank Senior HS
- Taj Tucker of Hacienda Heights and Webb School



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**HALF THE SKY: AN EVENING W/
 NEW YORK TIMES COLUMNIST,
 NICHOLAS D. KRISTOF
 ~ OCTOBER 26, 2009 ~**

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www.harvard-la.org

CALENDAR OF UPCOMING EVENTS

To recommend an event or volunteer for one, contact one of our Programs VPs. Contact information can be found on page 2.

*All checks for events are non-refundable unless explicitly stated otherwise. Unless specifically noted, RSVPs are not confirmed.

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