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Upcoming Events

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Cost: No charge, limited to first 15 people to register

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Location: Vazquez Rocks Nat. Area Park (Agua Dulce)

Cost: Free entrance and parking

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Location: Pelican Hill Resort (Newport Coast)
Cost: \$20 per person, RSVP Required

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Location: The home of Isabelle Fox (Sherman Oaks) **Cost:** \$30 per person, RSVP by March 12, 2016

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Location: Meeting place to be sent (Downtown LA) **Cost:** \$15 members and \$20 non members

Limited to 15 people

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Location: Dupar's Restaurant and Bakery (Pasadena)

Cost: \$30 per person

Please visit www.Harvard-LA.org for a complete list of upcoming events and to register

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Harvard Serves – Engage In Your Local Community

Each April Harvard alumni across the world participate in the Harvard Alumni Association's historic tradition of public service. The Harvard Serves initiative continues that long-standing commitment.

The Harvard Club of Southern California invites Harvard alumni, friends and family to participate in Harvard's annual Global Month of Service. Last year, over a thousand alumni participated in Global Month of Service volunteering opportunities, making a difference in their local community and connecting with fellow alumni.

Local alumni have organized projects in non-profit organizations throughout the region providing opportunities for alumni to meet one another and assist in their local communities. This year we have numerous and diverse opportunities to get involved, including mentoring high school students at Cabrillo High School, acting as docents for a walking tour of Los Angeles Chinatown, and volunteering at an animal shelter in Orange County.

The list of organizations has been collected by our alumni for our alumni and will be updated on an ongoing basis. To sign up for a volunteer opportunity, visit www.Harvard-LA.org and scroll down to the organization with which you'd like to volunteer, and call or email the alumni coordinator. Once you register with them, the event alumni coordinator will be in touch with further details.

Please turn to page 6 to see a list of volunteer opportunities. New options are being added all the time so be sure to visit www.Harvard-LA.org for the most up-to-date list. For questions, contact Lindsay Louie at lindsay.louie.21@gmail.com.

RECENT EVENTS...



From left: Madeleine Mejia EdM '00, Steve Lopez (reporter for the LA Times), Sonia Molina DMD '89, MPH '89, and Albert Chang, M.D., AB '63

HCSC Visits The Los Angeles Times

The tour of the LA Times on January 19, 2016 was a very well-attended event. Our members enjoyed learning about the historical building, which was designed by Gordon Kaufman in 1937. We were able to appreciate the beautiful Globe Lobby with its 10-foot high murals and the historical exhibit of the first 100 years of the The Times.



Back row (from left): Marc Joseph JD '85, Juana Hernandez MPP '15, Christine Mathieson AB '06, Courtney Reum OPM '15, Alain Koyama SM '11; Front row: John Wang AB '88, Brogan Berry AB '12, Madeleine Mejia Ed.M '00, Lindsay Louie AB '11, Lisa Watanable-Peagler AB '02; Madison Greer AB '13

Get Fit Event at SoulCycle

On Sunday, January 31, 2016 Harvard Club members sweated it out at SoulCycle in W. Hollywood. The 45-minute class was enjoyed by alumni from the College, Law School, Business School, and Grad School of Education. The Soul-Cycle event is the first of the Discover Your City event series, a program aimed at encouraging alumni (from recent grads to LA natives) to get out and explore Los

Angeles through fitness, culture, and entertainment oriented events. Be on the look out for more Discover Your City events coming soon.



From left: Dr. Alan Dressler, Ethel Laczko EdM '84,, Myron Kayton AB '56, German Enciso, HMS postdoctoral fellow '09

Science Pub #7: A New Space Telescope

On January 24, 2016, Harvard alumni and friends attended a lecture by Dr. Alan Dressler, an astronomer at the Carnegie Institution. Dr. Dressler was one of the early promoters of what is now known as the James Webb Telescope, a successor to the Hubble and now a multi-billion dollar

project currently under construction in Southern California.

About 40 attendees registered for this presentation held in Pasadena, which featured a history of galaxies as well as the science and politics of large-scale space projects.

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Harvard Meets Princeton: A Quick Snapshot

Recap written by Warren Sata Ed.M '12

On February 5th, at a dimly lit, cavernous, but well-kept "Q's" sports bar in West Los Angeles, local alumni from Harvard and Princeton met to watch the Crimson take on the Tigers on the

large screen. From the start, it became evident that coach Tommy Amaker's team would be overmatched by the Princeton's 3-point shooting and backdoor teamwork approach to the game.

Jumping out to an early 20-point lead, the Tigers capitalized on deft ball handling, a pressure defense that stymied the Crimson's attempts to keep up on the scoreboard. Needless to say, alumni dating as far back as 1960 and as recent as 2005 enjoyed the athletic action that saw the Crimson whittle the Tigers lead down to 10 points at the mid-point halftime break.

Despite the modest point tally for Harvard's men, the team played with effort, integrity and passion, as their .500 season this year is just a tiny bump in the road for coach Tommy Amaker's physical and exciting brand of hoops. Enjoying the on-court action were about 20 alumni from the Princeton and Harvard Los Angeles alumni clubs, who ultimately saw the Tigers soundly defeat the Crimson 83-62.

Hoops aside, the clubs noshed on happy hour snacks and chatted about "nor-easters," politics, and global warming while knocking down a few good old fashioned pitchers of the pub's finest. A chance to vent some steam and revel in the collegiality of athletic competition, attendees—at last count—tended to prefer the refinements of the micro-brew over the other selections available.



Welcome to HarvardKey — Harvard's Authentication System

A "single identity for life" spanning the Harvard Community, the HarvardKey authentication system enables access to a wide range of applications and services users across Harvard use every day, via a single, convenient login name and password.

Over the next few months, users across the University will be invited to claim a HarvardKey and unlock benefits such as two-step verification, self-service password and recovery email updates, and more. If your School or unit isn't yet eligible to claim HarvardKey credentials, you can continue to log in at all HarvardKey login screens using your usual credentials simply by clicking the appropriate tab at the top of the screen.

Haven't yet set up your HarvardKey account? Claim your HarvardKey at key.harvard.edu. Questions about HarvardKey? Need assistance that can't be found on the site? Contact the HUIT Help Desk at 617.495.7777 or ithelp@harvard.edu.



Discover Your City ~



The Price is Right - College Rivals (EVENT FULL)

Join the Harvard Club of Southern California as we participate in The Price is Right College Rivalry episode. Play against contestants from rival schools and win cars, trips and many other amazing prizes. We have limited seats reserved for our group, so RSVP soon.

Limited to first 15 people to register.

Date: Sunday, March 6, 2016

Time: 8:30 A.M.

Location: CBS Studios (Hollywood) **Cost:** No charge. RSVP required

Contact: Madeleine Mejia,

Madeleine Mejia@post.harvard.edu



Networking Event at Pelican Hill

Join Fellow Harvardians at a networking event at the Pelican Hill Resort in Newport Coast. Watch the sun slide into the Pacific while mingling with friends and sipping wine. Hors d'ouevres and no host bar. Exchange of business cards encouraged.

Date: Monday, March 14, 2016

Time: 6:00 - 7:30 P.M.

Location: Pelican Hill Resort (Newport Coast)Cost: \$20 per person, RSVP RequiredContact: Betsey Gillis, newport1@flash.net

Register: http://www.Harvard-LA.org

Discover Your City ~



Get Fit -Vasquez Rocks

Join us for a journey through Vasquez Rocks Natural Area Park - a dramatic desert wonderland,

with striking rock formations that rise from the ground at sharp angles as the result of millions of years of erosion and fault activity. The park has a long list of credits as a filming location, including Star Trek, Blazing Saddles, and The Flintstones. If you have thought about visiting this park, this is an excellent opportunity to do so.

Date: Saturday, March 12, 2016

Time: 10:00 A.M.

Location: Vazquez Rocks Natural Area Park

Cost: Free entrance and parking

Contact: Alain Koyama,

alain.koyama@gmail.com



Eleventh Annual Radcliffe College Alumnae Luncheon

It is a time to enjoy a relaxed afternoon - to reconnect and converse with classmates and other alums. The Harvard Club of Southern California welcomes you to the eleventh annual Radcliffe Alumnae Luncheon. Let's reminisce, eat, drink and keep abreast of our current plans, passions, or concerns.

Date: Saturday, March 19, 2016

Time: 12:00 noon

Location: Private home in Sherman Oaks, CA

Cost: \$30 per person

Contact: Isabelle Fox, 818-788-8796 **Register:** http://www.Harvard-LA.org



Discover Your City ~ Private Tour of Historic Downtown LA

Date: Saturday, March 26, 2016

Time: 10:15 A.M.

Location: Meeting place to be sent on registration

Cost: \$15 members, \$20 non members

Contact: Madeleine Mejia, Madeleine Mejia@post.harvard.edu

Join the Harvard Club of Southern California for a private docent tour of Historic Downtown Los Angeles led by the Los Angeles Conservancy.

Covering a wide range of architectural styles, and including anecdotes about the people behind the buildings, this tour is a great way to become acquainted (or re-acquainted) with the unique character of historic downtown L.A. Some of the most beloved Los Angeles landmarks are in this area, such as the Central Library, Angels Flight, and the Bradbury Building. The history of the area goes back to the founding of the city in 1781, and its architecture tells the story of the growth of the city from the 1890s to the present, including the current trend of conversions of vintage office buildings into loft-style apartments and condos. **Limited to first 15 people to register.**

Science Pub Series #8 - Celebrating our Planet

Date: Sunday, April 17, 2016

Time: 3:00 - 5:00 P.M.

Location: Dupar's Restaurant and Bakery (Pasadena)

Cost: \$25 per person

Contact: German Enciso, enciso@uci.edu

We invite you to this scientific talk for nonacademic audiences, where you can also meet fellow alumni over food and drinks in Pasadena

Honoring Earth Day, our invited speaker is Christopher Field '75 (Biology), the founding director of the Carnegie Institution's Department of Global Ecology and Melvin and Joan Lane Professor for Interdisciplinary Environmental Studies at Stanford University, and member of the Harvard Board of Overseers..

Field's research emphasizes impacts of climate change, from the molecular to the global scale. He has for two decades led major experiments on responses of California grassland to multi-factor global change. He has been deeply involved with national and international scale efforts to advance science and assessment related to global ecology and climate change.

During this event we will raffle off two tickets to attend a future Science Pub event to attendees who bring, wear or show something special to honor Mother Nature. Seating is limited. Tickets will be sold on a first-come, first-served basis. Parking in back of the restaurant is free on Sundays.

April 2016 is Harvard's Global Month of Service — **Get Involved!** — Volunteer Opportunites

Whatever your skill, and wherever your neighborhood, we've got a volunteer activity for you. Each listing below includes a description of volunteer activities available, along with a date/time (if available), and person to contact. If you have any difficulty please contact Lindsay Louie at lindsay.louie.21@gmail.com.



Cabrillo Ivy League Mentorship Program (http://lbcabrillo.schoolloop.com/)

When: Last Thursday of each month, 3:00 PM - 4:00 PM.

Where: Cabrillo High School, 2001 Santa Fe Avenue, Long Beach, CA 90810

Contact: Ethel Laczko, 626-429-3138 or etheledu@vahoo.com

Need speakers in different fields to speak and mentor High School students interested in attending Ivy League Schools.

Community Lawyers, Inc. (www.community-lawyers.org)

When: Throughout April and beyond

Where: 1216 East Compton Boulevard, Compton, CA 90221

Contact: Rosa Hirji, rosa@rkhlawoffice.com

Provides low and moderate-income people access to affordable legal services and develops innovative opportunities for attorneys and law students in underserved communities. CLI is located in Compton, CA and serves many Spanish speak-

ing clients in and around Los Angeles in such areas of law as family law, immigration law, and landlord-tenant law. Outreach to the greater L.A. community for fundraising and support is always needed and appreciated.



Global Education, Peru (www.globaled.us)

When: Dates per consultation of volunteers and coordinator

Contact: Ethel Seminario-Laczko at 626-429-3138 or etheledu@yahoo.com

The program's purpose is to teach literacy in English to children from "barriadas" so they can become part of globalization process. This program runs in Lima, Peru. There is a need for fundraising, reading to students in English, transporting books, implementing technology to present a more current program. We also train local teachers in" best practices" and teaching to standards.



Harvard Tutors in the Schools

When: One hour or more/week during school year. Time of day: TBD.

Where: 32nd St. USC Magnet School, 840 32nd St., Los Angeles Contact: Priscilla Heim at 310-472-4478 or priheim@verizon.net

Alumni are invited to tutor children K - 12 in all subjects. A knowledge of your subject and an understanding of children is helpful.



Los Angeles Conservancy x Los Angeles Chinatown (https://www.laconservancy.org/chinatown)

When: Sunday, April 17, 2016

Where: 727 N. Broadway Suite 208; Los Angeles, CA 90012

Contact: Shirley Zhang; 213-680-0243; xszhang@chinatownla.com

The Los Angeles Conservancy is a nonprofit membership organization that works through education and advocacy to recognize, preserve, and revitalize the historic architectural and cultural resources of Los Angeles County.

OC Animal Care (http://ocpetinfo.com/)

When: Throughout April

Where: 561 The City Drive South, Orange, CA. 92868

Contact: Chi Bui; orthochi@yahoo.com

OC Animal Care strives to save the lives of all healthy, treatable and manageable dogs and cats in our community. To reach that goal, we host monthly adoption events and promote our animals online. In addition, we work very

closely with our non-profit rescue adoption partners, other local animal shelters and our volunteer foster caretakers. We are also fortunate to have the support of Noble Friends Foundation for OC Animal Care who fundraises on our behalf.



Southern California Chinese Relay For Life (http://main.acsevents.org/site/TR?pg=entry&fr_id=73798)

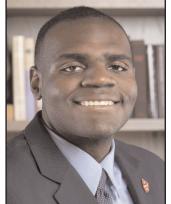
When: Satuday, April 23, 2016; 11AM-3PM

Where: 350 S. McPherrin Avenue, Monterey Park, CA 91754

Contact: Vivian Chan, 2vivianchan@gmail.com

The American Cancer Society Relay For Life movement is the world's largest and most impactful fundraising event to end cancer. It unites communities across the globe to celebrate people who have battled cancer, remember loved

ones lost, and take action to finish the fight once and for all. With the support of thousands of volunteers like you, the American Cancer Society is helping save more than 500 lives a day. Please join us and take action against a disease that has taken too much!



Q&A from 02138... Dennis O. Ojogho '16

Dennis O. Ojogho '16, a concentrator in Government, was born in Los Angeles and graduated from Los Angeles Senior High School, where he was editor-in-chief of the school newspaper and captain of the varsity basketball team. He also founded a chapter of Wells Bring Hope, a non-profit organization dedicated to bringing clean water to rural parts of Africa. He is a proud resident of Winthrop House. Dennis has recently interned at the NAACP National Headquarters in Baltimore, MD and at the ACLU of Southern California in Los Angeles, CA.

Last summer, he interned with the NAACP National Headquarters in Baltimore. His daily responsibilities included researching cutting edge community development practices, aiding President Cornell William Brooks with his speeches, and helping organize and attend rallies. He stood behind

President Brooks as he announced, on the steps of the Lincoln Memorial, an historic march from Selma to Washington, D.C. that the NAACP would lead later that summer. He is particularly proud of having worked alongside leaders in labor rights, LGBTQ rights, environmental justice, and immigration in a united voting rights advocacy campaign.

HCSC: What surprised you about being a student at Harvard?

DO: What surpised me was how quickly Harvard became like a second home. I am incredibly grateful to live in Winthrop House; Professor Ron Sullivan and Professor Stephanie Robinson, the tutors, and my fellow students have transformed my Harvard experience in the highest of ways. No matter how difficult a day of studying may be, I can always count on returning to Winthrop House to find the tender warmth of a truly supportive community.

HCSC: When was the first time you visited Harvard and what were your impressions at that time?

DO: I first visited Harvard during the Visitas Weekend of 2012. At first, I was a bit overwhelmed by the sense of grandeur and history that could be found at every turn. Having grown up in Los Angeles, this was the oldest institution I had ever come into contact with. I'll never forget the feeling of walking through the Yard for the first time on my way to Annenberg. I literally said to myself that I was at Hogwarts of the Harry Potter World.

HCSC: What was your favorite class (or professor) and why?

DO: My favorite class at Harvard is an English seminar titled "The Rhetoric of Frederick Douglass and Abraham Lincoln." No historical figure has inspired me more than Frederick Douglass. I will be forever grateful to Harvard University for giving me the opportunity to study Frederick Douglass' life and body of work. Douglas was born a slave. He was separated from his mother as soon as he was born. He didn't even know his own birthday. Here was a man who was reduced to the lowest of conditions, and yet, he still had within him the indomitable will to seek his freedom and assert his manhood. Whenever I am faced with a difficult situation in life, I think back to Douglass' autobiography, and how he was able to overcome obstacles infinitely more difficult than anything I could ever face in my life. If he could overcome slavery to become one of the greatest orators of his time, then there is no challenge in my life that I cannot overcome.

HCSC: What has been your funniest moment at Harvard?

DO: My funniest moment at Harvard occurred during the first blizzard I ever experienced in my life, during the winter of my freshman year. I, unwisely, decided to go outside, promptly slipping on some black ice. I learned a New England lesson the hard way.

HCSC: If you were President of Harvard, what would change?

DO: I would do everything in my power to push the university to divest from the fossil fuel industry. The unprecedented warming of our planet due to human activity is beyond debate in my mind. If Harvard is to be a global leader, it must be a leader in the fight against climate change. If we continue to pretend like climate change is not our problem, our children and grandchildren will look back and wonder why our generation sold their futures for a mess of pottage.

HCSC: What do you miss most about Southern California (other than the weather and family and friends)?

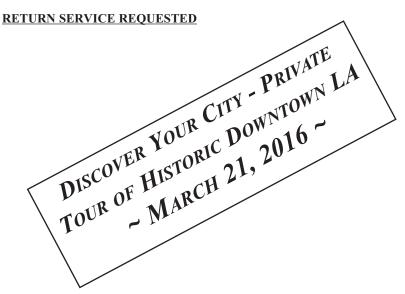
DO: I miss playing basketball outdoors. The great thing about Southern California is that on just about any day of the year, I can go to the park and play the sport I love. I do enjoy playing basketball in indoor gyms on Harvard's campus, but it's not quite the same.

HCSC: How do you think Southern California will figure into your future after Harvard?

DO: I am intent on pursuing a career in public service in Southern California. I still consider Los Angeles to be my home, as wonderful as Cambridge has been. I have recently been admitted to Harvard Law School, so when it's all said and done, I will have spent seven years of my life as a student in Cambridge. I am confident that by the end of those seven years, I will be ready to return to sunny California for good.



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For more information on events and general Club news, visit the Club web site at 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. <u>Unless specifically noted</u>, <u>RSVPs are not confirmed</u>.

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Ongoing	Volunteer in a School	32nd Street/USC Magnet School Los Angeles, CA	N/A	Priscilla Heim, priheim@verizon.net