



THE HARVARD CLUB *of* SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

Upcoming Events.

Thursday, Feb. 5, 2015 @ 6:30 P.M.

Happy Hour with MIT & Yale Clubs of LA

Location: Busby's East (Los Angeles)

Cost: No charge. Cash only for food and drinks.

Saturday, Feb. 7, 2015 @ 9:00 A.M.

Harvard Hollywood Program

Location: Woodbury University (Burbank)

Cost: \$30, members; \$35 non-members, \$40 at door

Sunday, Feb. 15, 2015 @ 10:00 A.M.

***Asian American Alumni Alliance Presents -
Ivy-Alumni Dim Sum***

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LA Opera: Gioachino Rossini's Barber of Seville

Location: Dorothy Chandler Pavilion (Los Angeles)

Cost: \$89, members; \$105, non-members

Sunday, Mar. 22, 2015 @ 3:00 P.M.

***Science Pub Series #6 - A History of
Photosynthesis***

Location: TBA

Cost: \$25 per person

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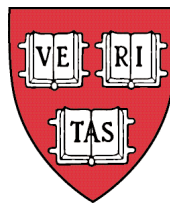
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Harvard Club Hosts Area Undergraduates and New Admits During Winter Break

The Harvard Club of Southern California hosted numerous events for Harvard undergraduates and alumni during the Harvard winter break, which lasted from December 20, 2014 through January 25, 2015.

On January 11, 2015, Dr. Miguel Palos '76, Harvard Club of Southern California Schools Committee area co-chair for San Gabriel Valley, and his wife Caludia Palos, hosted a reception for the newest admits to the Harvard Class of 2019 at their home in Pasadena. The Early Action admits from Southern California numbered a record high 63, of which approximately 50 students, along with their parents and their interviewers and area chairs, were welcomed. More than 350 students from the greater Southern California area applied for admission. Nationally, Harvard received 5,919 applications for Early Action, which was 26 percent more than last year. Harvard accepted 977 of those candidates (16.6 percent), the lowest rate for Early Action in many years. Regular Action applications are being evaluated in what is expected to be another record year.

On January 13th, Global Networking Night attracted over 250 students, alumni, and guests to the Viceroy Hotel in Santa Monica for an evening of networking and fun at the bi-annual event. A wide range of professional fields were represented, offering attendees the opportunity to mingle with fellow Harvardians who have chosen different professional paths. "It was an exciting and eclectic mix of people of all ages, cultures and careers," said Jordan Reddout Wilhoit AB '10, the event's organizer. The success of the event was yet another example of how vibrant the Harvard community is in Southern California - over 3,000 miles from Cambridge.

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On January 6, 2015, for the third year in a row, Harvard undergraduates and alumni gathered at the Pacific Palisades home of HCSC board member Patric M. Verrone '81 and his wife, Maiya Williams Verrone '84. The Verrones hold the annual function to welcome the two dozen undergraduate participating in "Harvardwood 101." The two-week program, now in its 14th year, features an intensive schedule designed to introduce Harvard undergraduates interested in a career in show business to meet with and develop relationships with industry representatives, many of whom who are Harvard alumni. The event at the Verrone home (which, for the first time was co-sponsored by the Verrones' son, Patric C.W. Verrone '18) was a chance for the students to socialize with writers, directors, actors, musicians, agents, and executives in the industry. "It's our hope," said Verrone, "that, not only will the undergrads make connections that lead to employment and career advancement but, once the students have become successful, they can return the favor and employ the grizzled old veterans that gave them their start."

Later this year, the HCSC will be developing a similar program for the Southern California finance industry in the hopes of offering it in January, 2016. Further outreach to alumni will begin in the next few months. Club members and alumni interested in offering an office tour or making a presentation can contact Patric Verrone at pverrone@aol.com.

RECENT EVENTS...



The Harvard Kroks Visit Los Angeles

The tuxedo-clad Harvard Krokodiloes, founded in 1946, and the school's oldest a cappella singing group, performed at the Westwood Presbyterian Church in Los Angeles on January 9, 2015 before an audience of approximately 70 alumni and friends during their winter break tour.

Global Networking Night...

Alumni gather at Global Networking Night on January 13th.



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Inter-Ivy Latino Happy Hour

On January 6, 2015, the first Inter-Ivy Latino Happy Hour was held. With attendance of over 60 attendees from Harvard, Yale, MIT, Cornell, Columbia, Dartmouth, Brown and UPenn, the event attracted a diverse group of alumni, including new admits, parents, and current students on Winter break. Pictured above from left to right: Dr. Sonia Molina (Harvard, SPH '89 & SDH '89); Vanessa Vasquez (Yale); Madeleine Mejia (Harvard, Ed.M '00); Yale mom and new Yale admit; Andrea Leal (Yale).

Itzhak Perlman Concert at the Disney Concert Hall



Members of the Harvard Club enjoyed Itzhak

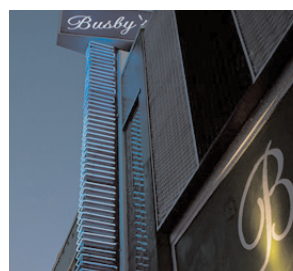
Perlman's violin concert at the Disney Concert Hall on January 21. At the conclusion of his program, Mr. Perlman delighted the audience with over half a dozen encore pieces including the theme from "Schindler's List." Pictured above from left, Myron Laskin '52, Suzanne Labiner EdM '55, Kay Park '87 and Harry Kim '86.



CIA Internships and Career Event

On January 15, 2015, the Club sponsored a Special Presentation on Internships, Scholarships and Career Opportunities at the Central Intelligence Agency held at the Los Angeles County Office of Education. This event was led by three representatives from the CIA and provided information on the CIA's Undergraduate Internship Program, the National Clandestine Service Undergraduate Internship Program, the Graduate Studies Program, and the Undergraduate and Graduate Scholarship Programs. This information included eligibility, pay and benefits standards for each of these programs. More than 100 Harvard alumni and their children, as well as other guests representing local school districts and communities attended.

UPCOMING EVENTS...



Happy Hour with Yale Club of Los Angeles

Join us for cocktails and networking with the MIT and Yale Clubs of Los Angeles.

- Date:** Thursday, February 5, 2015
Time: 6:30 P.M.
Location: Busby's East (Los Angeles)
Cost: No charge. Cash only for food and drinks.
Contact: Lisa Watanabe-Peagler, lisawatanabe@post.harvard.edu
RSVP: <http://www.Harvard-LA.org>

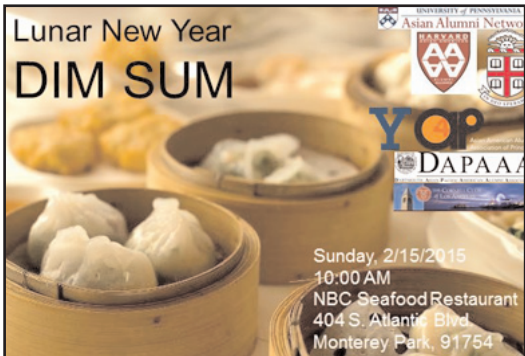


Battle of the Ivies Trivia Night

Come with your own team of six or come alone and join your fellow alumni teammates for an epic battle to see who deserves the title of Ivy League Smarty Pants. Entry fee \$10 - amazing prizes and your first drink is free.

- Date:** Thursday, March 19, 2015
Time: 6:00 P.M.
Location: Manhattan Country Club (Manhattan Beach)

- Cost:** \$10 per person
Register: <http://www.Harvard-LA.org>
Contact: Lisa Watanabe-Peagler, lisawatanabe@post.harvard.edu



Asian American Alumni Alliance Presents... Ivy-Alumni Dim Sum

Date: Sunday, February 15, 2015
Time: 10:00 A.M.
Place: NBC Seafood Restaurant (Monterey Pk)
Cost: \$20 per person
Contact: Christine Hu, christine.hu@post.harvard.edu
Register: www.pennclubla.com

Come join the Asian Alumni Associations of the University of Pennsylvania, Brown University, Dartmouth University, Princeton University, and Harvard University as we celebrate the Lunar New Year.

Please purchase your ticket by February 12 through the Penn Club LA website so that we know a proper headcount and save you a seat.



Rossini's *Barber of Seville* at the LA Opera

Join the Harvard Club of Southern California at the Los Angeles Opera for this very special performance of Gioachino Rossini's *Barber of Seville*! Also attend an optional pre-performance lecture about the opera 1 hour prior.

Deadline to register is February 1, 2015.

Date: Thursday, March 19, 2015
Time: 7:30 P.M.
Location: Dorothy Chandler Pavilion,
Cost: Club members \$89; non-members \$105
 (Orch Ring seats)
Contact: Kay Park, kayparkmd@yahoo.com



Science Pub Series #6 - A History of Photosynthesis

Learn how photosynthesis has shaped the world around us in this talk by Dr. Woodward Fischer, Caltech professor of Geological and Planetary Sciences.

Seating is limited. Tickets will be sold on a first-come, first-served basis.

Date: Sunday, March 22, 2015
Time: 3:00 P.M.
Location: TBA
Cost: \$25 per person
Contact: Ethel Seminario Laczko, etheledu@gmail.com



Q&A from 02138... Ye Dam Lee '15

(These interviews are a regular contribution to the HCSC Newsletter and will spotlight students enrolled at Harvard who are from Southern California. Nominations to profile students from our region are invited.)

Ye Dam Lee '15, a concentrator in mathematics, was born in Seoul, South Korea and graduated from the Loomis Chaffee School in Connecticut, where she was captain of the debate team and a resident assistant for underclassmen during her junior and senior years. She moved to Orange County in 2000, so she returns to Southern California for the holidays. During the summers, she went to various math camps like PROMYS and Ross, where she discovered a love of math. She is a senior residing in Quincy House.

At Harvard, Ye has served as co-head usher of the Memorial Church since sophomore year and has been a member of Harvard College Faith and Action (HCFA) since freshman year. She was also co-president of CHANCE, an after-school program that tutors local students for the SAT, and has worked as a course assistant for math classes. Concurrently, she has been enrolled in the Undergraduate Teacher Education Program, and spent last spring student-teaching at the local public school. This past summer, Ye went to Botswana to intern as a teacher assistant; the year before, she went to Poland with WorldTeach and taught English at a small school in the countryside. The summer after freshman year, she went to Peru to learn Spanish and work at an orphanage in Lima.

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

YDL: I knew it would be true, but I was still surprised to see for myself that the stereotype of the liberal New England intellectual Harvard student did not actually hold for most of the people I met--thank goodness! It's been really fun meeting people who have come here by vastly different paths than my own.

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

YDL: I first visited Harvard when I was quite young and our family took a vacation. I remember only that we had lunch in the Square afterward. A harbinger, perhaps, of my college life...

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

YDL: This past term, I took a US-World General Education class about transatlantic relations since the First World War, and it was, for me, a vindication of the General Education System. Previous history classes had always ended at or before the Second World War and learning about the Cold War was incredibly helpful not only to my understanding of my world, but also of the world in which my parents grew up.

HCSC: What has been your funniest moment at Harvard?

YDL: If under "funny" you include "odd," I think working as an usher at church has led to some pretty funny moments--it's a nontrivial task to try to preserve a reverent atmosphere in one of the few buildings on campus that is open to tourists, and every week, it's an exercise in tact. For example, it is very clearly posted, and we remind tourists, not to take photographs during worship. Often, they'll smile and nod and then discreetly (or not) take a photo anyway--holding their camera near their stomach, pretending they're using their phone for something else and snapping a photo when they think no one is looking. Then I feel absurd but I firmly place myself in front of their camera.

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

YDL: I miss delicious, cheap, year-round fruit--especially pomegranates and avocados.

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

YDL: I think the Math Department--at least, its faculty--should be required to take workshops on how to support women and be a non-discriminating in the workplace. Being a part of the department has probably been the worst part of my Harvard experience; among other things, there we are given very few female role models (there has been exactly one female tenured research professor in the department's entire history), and I've taken three classes where I was the only woman in the room.

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

YDL: I am pretty sure I want to settle back here within a few years of my graduation--you really cannot beat the fruit.

HCSC: What are your plans after graduation?

YDL: Within a few years, I want to be teaching high school math somewhere in California, but I'm not quite sure what I'm doing next year. I might be taking some time to travel or to learn something completely different from math, something new.



Harvard Hollywood Program

Presented by Harvardwood & the HBSASC - LA

Date: Saturday, February 7, 2015
Time: 9:00 A.M - 2:00 P.M..
Location: Woodbury University (Burbank)
Cost: \$30, members; \$35 non-members; \$40 at the door
Contact: Gene Pao at gene_pao@yahoo.com

Is traditional media dead? Hear from entertainment industry executives, many of whom have made the transition from traditional to digital media discuss the magnitude of the shift from traditional to digital media. How is consumer behavior changing? How are business models evolving? And how does one successfully manage a career in entertainment today? Join Harvard alums, HBS students, and entertainment executives as we discuss these and other issues facing the entertainment.

Panelists include:

Phil Lelyveld (Stanford), Program Manager, USC Entertainment Technology Center
Laura Martin (HBS) - Media and entertainment analyst, Needham and Co.
Chris Salvaterra (Harvard)- Producer at Katonah Pictures (previously EVP Production at Paramount Pictures)
Lynn Tavarozzi (HBS) - Brand Strategy and Marketing Consultant (previously Mktg VP at Disney, digital and home ent.)
Rob Rader (HLS) - General Counsel, OVATION
Alex Rosenfeld (HBS) - Founder & CEO of Vrideo, a startup virtual reality company
And more...

Upcoming LGBT Events by Ivy Pride Alliance LA



February 15, 2015 at 4:00 PM - 1st Annual Post-Valentine's Day Extravaganza

There's a new group in town - IvyQ! - and we're getting together with a bunch of our friends at the new bar in WeHo - Flaming Saddles - for a post Valentine's Day bash!

The Harvard Club of Southern California

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Stay involved with the local Harvard community:

Southern California residents who have been connected for at least one academic year with any department of Harvard University as a student or instructor are eligible for membership in the Harvard Club of Southern California. Member benefits include a monthly newsletter, reduced fees for Club events, electronic updates, and inclusion in the annual directory. Reciprocal benefits with other Ivy League clubs are also available, as determined by each respective organization.

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TRIVIA NIGHT
~ MARCH 19, 2015 ~**

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CALENDAR OF UPCOMING EVENTS

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