



# THE HARVARD CLUB *of* SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

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## *Upcoming Events*

***Sunday, Jan. 10, 2016 @ 12:30 P.M.***

***Harvard Latino Students and Alumni Luncheon***

**Location:** The home of an alumnus (Pasadena)

**Cost:** No charge to all attendees

***Tuesday, Jan. 12, 2016 @ 7:00 P.M.***

***Global Networking Night — Save the Date!***

**Location:** Sadie's Kitchen and Lounge (Los Angeles)

**Cost:** No charge, cash bar

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***Itzhak Perlman and Emanuel Ax in Recital at the Disney Concert Hall (SOLD OUT)***

**Location:** Walt Disney Concert Hall (Los Angeles)

**Cost:** \$54, members; \$63, non-members

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***Tour of the Los Angeles Times***

**Location:** The Los Angeles Times (Los Angeles)

**Cost:** No charge, RSVP required

***Sunday, Jan. 24, 2016 @ 3:00 P.M.***

***Science Pub Series #7 - Beyond Hubble: A New Space Telescope to Explore the Cosmos***

**Location:** Dupar's Restaurant and Bakery (Pasadena)

**Cost:** \$25 per person

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## **President's Message: Get Involved in Wintersession**

Wintersession is the three-week period in January between the holidays and the start of the spring semester at Harvard. Students can spend the break on campus, travel, or stay home with their families. Some take advantage of the time to explore career interests by participating in internships or other programs.

For the first time this year, the Harvard Club of Southern California has organized a Finance Forum for undergraduates during Wintersession. The program will consist of a week-long schedule of meetings and tours with finance professionals, many of whom are Harvard alumni. Undergraduates may apply to participate through the College's Office of Career Services.

In addition, undergraduates interested in forming their own companies will have the opportunity to network with current entrepreneurs and representatives from various start-up companies at an event in Orange County. In the future, this program will also be expanded to a week of sessions geared to entrepreneurial-minded undergraduates.

The Club has also organized events during Wintersession that are open to all alumni, offering undergraduates and alumni a chance to meet and make connections. One of these is a luncheon organized by the Harvard Latino Alumni Alliance (HLAA). All events are posted on the Club website for online registration.

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Alumni who are interested in offering a mentorship session or internship opportunity to undergraduates, either during the summer or next January's Wintersession, may contact the Club. The Finance Forum organizers are Patric Verrone (pverrone@aol.com), James Low (lpastour@aol.com) and John Wang (johnwang17@gmail.com). Karen Hernandez, President of the Harvard Business School Association of Orange County, is heading the Entrepreneurs session and can be contacted at K\_Hernandez@cox.net. Dr. Gus Frias, Chair of the Los Angeles branch of HLAA, can be reached at dr.gfrias@gmail.com. As always, thank you for supporting our undergraduates who are looking to return or come to Southern California.

## RECENT EVENTS...



*From left: Myron Kayton AB '56, Ethel Laczko EdM '84, Alan Shewmon AB '71, German Enciso HMS postdoc '09*

### Piano Concert in Beverly Hills

On November 8th, 2015, Dr. Alan Shewmon AB '71, a UCLA pediatric neurologist, performed at the new Steinway Piano Gallery of Beverly Hills to play Russian piano concertos.



*From left: Gary Vintant-Tang AB '85, Sonia Molina, DMD '89, Mark Baran*

### The Harvard-Yale Annual Holiday Salon

On December 12, 2015 alumni from both schools attended the jolly event, although there was more representation from Harvard.

Attendees visited with old friends, met new people, and shared with each other the many mutual interests that connects us professionally and personally. Our gracious hostess provided a very welcoming and festive home environment that was enjoyed by all. Alumni expressed interest and made arrangements with the organizers to share their talents at the next holiday salon, some of which included belly dancing, poetry reading, and singing.

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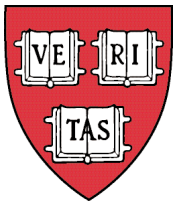
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### CLUB NEWSLETTER/ WEBSITE

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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: HarvardSoCal@gmail.com



## Harvard Latino Students and Alumni Luncheon

The Harvard Latino Alumni Alliance, in collaboration with the Harvard Club of Southern California, presents a Luncheon for Current Harvard Latino Students. This luncheon will offer current Harvard students who are home for winter break an opportunity to connect with local Harvard Latino alumni. During the lunch, Harvard Latino alumni from various fields will be available to describe their work and serve as resources for students as they explore different career options. All Harvard Latino alumni and friends are welcome to join us.

**Date:** Sunday, January 10, 2016  
**Time:** 12:30 P.M.  
**Location:** The home of an alumnus (Pasadena)  
**Cost:** No charge.  
**Contact:** Dr. Gus Frias, dr.gfrias@gmail.com



## Itzhak Perlman & Emanuel Ax in Recital (Sold Out)

Join the Harvard Club to hear two of the most beloved and accomplished artists of our time team up for an exquisite violin and piano recital.

### Program includes:

Mozart: Sonata for Violin and Piano No. 17 in C major  
Fauré: Sonata for Violin and Piano No. 1 in A major  
Strauss: Sonata in E-Flat major for Violin and Piano

Additional works to be announced from the stage.

**Date:** Tuesday, January 12, 2016  
**Time:** 8:00 P.M.  
**Location:** Walt Disney Concert Hall  
**Cost:** \$54, Members; \$63 Non-members  
**Contact:** Kay Park, kayparkmd@yahoo.com

## GLOBAL NETWORKING NIGHT

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## Global Networking Night - January 12th - *Save the Date!*

Please join the Harvard Alumni Association, the Harvard Club of Southern California, Harvardwood, the Harvard Business School Association of Southern California and Harvard Clubs worldwide at our Global Networking Night on Monday, January 12. Harvard students are welcome.

**Date:** Tuesday, January 12, 2016  
**Time:** 7:00 P.M.  
**Place:** Sadie's Kitchen and Lounge (Hollywood)  
**Cost:** No charge, RSVP requested  
**Contact:** Jordan Reddout Wilhoit, jordan.reddout@gmail.com



## Tour of the Los Angeles Times

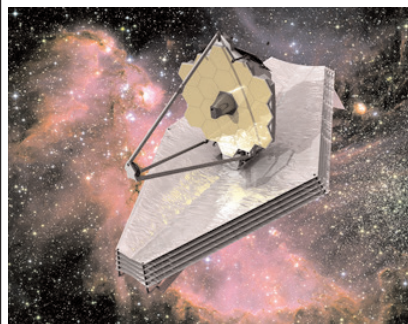


The tour visits all Editorial areas, including reporting and editing, photo, the high tech web studio and ends in features, with a look at The Times Test Kitchen, where recipes for the Saturday section are tested. Darrell

Kunitomy will be leading the tour.

**Please RSVP by January 15th. Space limited to 35 people (first come, first served).**

**Date:** Tuesday, January 19, 2016  
**Time:** 5:30 P.M.  
**Location:** The Los Angeles Times  
**Cost:** No charge, RSVP Required  
**Contact:** Sonia Molina, soniamolin@aol.com  
**RSVP:** www.Harvard-LA.org



## Science Pub Series #7 - Beyond Hubble - *A New Space Telescope to Explore the Cosmos*

**Date:** Sunday, January 24, 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](mailto:enciso@uci.edu)

Learn about galaxy formation and the quest to explore new worlds, as explained by one of the main proponents of the successor to the Hubble Telescope, Alan Dressler, astronomer at the Carnegie Institute for Science in Washington, D.C.

The Hubble Space Telescope has revolutionized our understanding of stars, galaxies, and the nature of our vast universe, and blazed a trail to new journeys that lie beyond Hubble's reach. Alan Dressler will describe the James Webb Space Telescope, under final testing in preparation of its 2018 launch. This 'virtual spaceship' will carry us to the end of our journey to understand the birth of stars and galaxies at the dawn of the modern universe, and launch our new quest to locate other worlds like Earth that may be habitable, or even inhabited.

Alan Dressler is an astronomer at the Observatories of the Carnegie Institution. His research has focused on galaxy evolution, particularly the study of what leads to the diversity of different galaxy types and properties. He has used large ground-based telescopes such as Magellan, and space telescopes such as Hubble and Spitzer to look back in time to study the formation and evolution of galaxies. He was the chair of the committee that first proposed the James Webb telescope as a successor for the Hubble.

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



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## New Development on the Alumni Benefits Front

Harvard alumni can now access over 7,500 online journals and e-books through the Harvard Library, online resources reflecting the breadth and depth of intellectual content the University has to offer. Notable resources now available to alumni include current content from *Time*, *Journal of the American Medical Association*, JSTOR, and *Foreign Affairs*, among others. The link to the new library resource page is: <http://library.harvard.edu/alumni-resources>. Please note, you will need your HarvardKey to access these resources.



## Volunteer in a School



Here's an opportunity to do your part for education and learn first-hand about Los Angeles public schools. 32nd St./USC Magnet School--a K-12 arts and math-sci magnet-- welcomes volunteers for the coming school year.

Please contact one of the following Harvard Club Board members for further information:

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## Q&A from 02138... Nicole C. Hirschhorn '16

**Nicole C. Hirschhorn '16**, a concentrator in Psychology with a secondary in English, was born in Pacific Palisades, California, and graduated from Harvard-Westlake High School where she was captain of her junior varsity soccer team, acted in the Playwrights festival, played multiple roles in *The Laramie Project*, and first became involved in improv comedy. Two summers ago she was an intern at the *Tonight Show* starring Jimmy Fallon, and this past summer she was Marilu Henner's personal assistant and co-host of her nationally syndicated radio show, *The Marilu Henner Show*. She is a senior residing in Quincy House. Her father is

Charles Hirschhorn '79 and her brother is Jason Hirschhorn '14-'15. Her brother Adam was recently accepted and intends to matriculate.

At Harvard, she is running IGP, along with Aaron Henricks '16, which is Harvard's oldest long-form improv comedy group; is a writer and actor for a yearly sketch comedy showcase; and is the founder/president of Harvard's only live sketch comedy group, Mess Hall. She reports the following fun fact: "I am very lactose intolerant, and have been for many years, but refuse to let that define me or my lifestyle."

**HCSC: What was your biggest surprise about Harvard?**

**NH:** I knew that I would meet some of the most talented people that the world has to offer, but I never anticipated the passion or the variety of passions that I've encountered. The energy on campus is extremely contagious, and I'm more empathetic to others and inspired to follow my own dreams for being surrounded by it all.

**HCSC: What was your first visit and impressions?**

**NH:** I first visited Harvard for my dad's 25th reunion the summer of 2004. I stayed in one of the dorms with my brothers and all I remember is being really hot and the one fan we had didn't work.

**HCSC: What has been your favorite class?**

**NH:** By far, the most incredible class I've taken at Harvard is Professor Phyllis Thompson's class on 21st Century Feminism. It's amazing. She is amazing. Everyone in that class is amazing. I have grown up in the era of 3rd Wave Choice and Facebook Feminism, but was never aware of what lay behind this or the academic or historical side of things. There is so much to know and so much that needs to be done. This class has allowed me to consider what I had taken for granted and see what I had been blind to. I'm trying to figure out how to get people to listen to these issues and writing sketches based on the themes we've been discussing.

**HCSC: What has been your funniest moment at Harvard?**

**NH:** Improvising with (mostly watching) Keegan Michael Key, a comedian on Comedy Central, during IGP's Player of The Year show. I was so star-struck that I only remember some of it. It really was a dream.

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

**NH:** I would hold office hours. Is that unreasonable? I guess I would have to check Drew Faust's schedule. I assume she's pretty busy.

**HCSC: Describe a funny experience interning on the Tonight Show.**

**NH:** The best day I had on the *Tonight Show* was when I sat in for Kelly Ripa during rehearsals for a game called "Pop Quiz." The premise involved me sitting in a hair salon chair that would continuously be raised higher and higher with every question I got wrong during a game of trivia. I was wearing a sharp pointed hat that would eventually break a 3-gallon water balloon over my head. I had to do this three times before they got the logistics right. It was all worth it when Jimmy gave me a pity-pat on the back.

**HCSC: What do you miss most about Southern California?**

**NH:** The weather conditions in Boston is a small one, especially for a girl with thin blood. I miss being able to go to the beach, hike, ride my bike, and eat outside year round. And I miss my mom's garden.

**HCSC: How will Southern California factor into your future?**

**NH:** I plan on returning to LA after graduation and doing something during the days while writing at night and taking classes at Upright Citizens Brigade. I worked as Marilu Henner's personal assistant last summer so I may return to that or go PA on a food network show in France for a year... I really have no clue. The end goal is to be a writer and performer, but it may take a while to get there.



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