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MARCH 2022

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Harvard Well-Represented at 2022 Beijing Olympics

Harvard University sent six athletes to the 2022 Olympic and Paralympic Winter games in Beijing. The Harvardites, four students and two alumni, represent the United States, Canada, and Switzerland, as well as in Women's and Men's Ice Hockey and Cross-Country Skiing.

These athletes have prepared through most of their lives, include during the last two year of a global pandemic. Despite challenges, these competitors have truly reached the pinnacle of sports, cheered on by their families and the Harvard community.



Jon Chase / Harvard Staff Photographer

Keely Moy '22, Women's Ice Hockey, Mather House

COVID proved to have a silver lining for Moy, a native of San Diego. A dual American-Swiss citizen,

Moy had strong ties to Switzerland, with her brother Tyler playing hockey for Geneva in the country's top professional league. When Harvard had to cancel the 2020-21 season due to COVID, Moy was able to play a season of hockey in Switzerland, making her eligible for the Swiss national team.

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“In so many ways, COVID was so tough. But it was such a blessing for me in so many ways. If COVID hadn’t hit, I would have had to take off from school to be with my dad [Moy’s father died in 2020 after a battle with cancer],” Moy said. “It gave me the year of freedom that I needed to go play in Switzerland and have this all happen. It’s every athlete’s dream to go to the Olympics.”



Matthew Murnaghan/Hockey Canada Images

Emerance Maschmeyer, '16, Women's Ice Hockey, Quincy House

Maschmeyer, a former Harvard goalie, led Harvard to the 2015 National Championship game. She then played in the Canadian Women's Hockey League, the Professional Women's Hockey Players Association, and for the last year, she has trained and traveled with Team Canada.

“As a really young player, I thought I could play in the NHL, and then quickly found out that that wasn’t going to be my path. But once I realized that I could represent and play for my country, that was my goal,” explains Maschmeyer. “For as long as I can remember, I’ve been saying that I want to play for Team Canada and play in the Olympics.”



Photo by Gil Talbot

Nick Aburzzese, '23, Men's Ice Hockey, Currier House

A New York native, Aburzzese leads Harvard Men's Hockey as co-captain and is ranked first in NCAA Division I Men's Hockey in points per game. Before COVID cancelled Harvard's 2020-21 season, Aburzzese was named both Eastern College Athletic Conference and Ivy League Rookie of the year, and capped it off by earning his spot on Team USA.

Besides competing, Aburzzese looks forward to the whole experience. “I’m just going to try to take it all in, the different cultures and different countries and different events. Just the melting pot of all the different people and amazing athletes there,” he said. “I think that is what I’m going to try to savor the most.”



Photo by Gil Talbot

Sean Farrell '24, Men's Ice Hockey, Cabot House

Farrell, USA Hockey Junior Player of the Year, has as a sophomore, already made a major contribution to the Harvard team. Hailing from Massachusetts, Farrell represents the U.S. delegation as a member of Team USA Men's Hockey team. He remembered gathering to view the Olympics as a child.

“Everyone watched the Olympics and saw those players, who get to represent their country on that stage. For college players to get that opportunity this year, it’s just incredible,” said Farrell. “It was a really emotional moment for me and my family.”



Photo by Gil Talbot

Remi Drolet '24, Cross-Country Skiing, Adams House

Representing Team Canada, the British-Columbian native Drolet is the third Harvard skier to compete in the Olympics. Eastern Intercollegiate Ski Association 2020 Rookie of the Year in 2019-20, Drolet took a year off to train in Canada, Finland, Sweden, and Mammoth Lakes, California, to be ready for the high-altitude Beijing trails.

“It’s really kind of surreal to be here, because I feel like you dream about this when you’re a kid,” Drolet said about being at the Olympics. “And for the past four years, it’s really been one of my major

goals to make it to the Olympics, and it wasn't easy. But I made it."

At press time, Drolet had finished 33rd in Men's 15 km individual, 11th in Men's 4x10 km Relay, and 57th in Men's 50 km Skiathalon.



Photo by Luc Percival

Dan Cnossen, M.P.A. '16, M.T.S. '18, Paralympic Cross-Country Skiing & Biathlon

Cnossen, age 41, is competing in his third Paralympic Games. Having graduated from Annapolis, Harvard Kennedy School, and Harvard Divinity School, the Navy Seal platoon commander also has a Purple Heart, a Bronze Star with Valor, and six Paralympic medals. Cnossen first learned cross-country skiing as part of his rehabilitation after losing both legs while serving in Afghanistan in 2009. He trained in Colorado and now in Massachusetts, coming full circle to Weston Ski Track, where he trained as a Harvard graduate student.

"Just being in the races you really push yourself to the limit, and with the intensity and the atmosphere of the Winter Games, it enables you to even dig that much deeper, and challenge yourself that much more, and in so doing, you learn a lot about yourself," said Cnossen. "I'm still in love with the sport of cross-country skiing, because it's a wonderful opportunity to get out in the woods, to be in nature," said Cnossen. "It was never about medals."

The 2022 Paralympics will start in Beijing in March 4.

[Quotes from Kirsten Green, Harvard Correspondent, The Harvard Gazette]

Greetings from your local HAA Elected Director!



Let me introduce myself with the usual Harvard stats: I'm Maiya Williams Verrone, Class of '84, Adams House and Canaday, American History and Lit major. Several months ago I was elected to represent you, the Harvard Alumni, on the Harvard Alumni Association Board of Directors.

Perhaps you are wondering exactly what I do as an HAA Director. First and foremost, I am tasked with creating ways to keep Harvard alumni connected to their alma mater. Sometimes this is by planning events through various cohorts - for me that would be the Harvard Club of Southern California, The Harvard Black Alumni

Society, The Harvard Lampoon, and Harvard Interviewers in the San Fernando Valley. I am also Harvard's ambassador, keeping you apprised of new exciting things going on in Cambridge. Finally I am a conduit, bringing concerns of the alumni back to the University. If you have ideas, questions, or concerns, just drop me an Email: MaiyaWV@aol.com. I'd love to hear from you!

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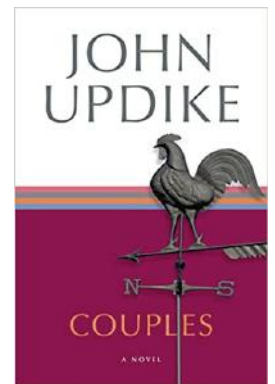
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No charge, no host food and drinks

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Join fellow HCSC members to discuss John Updike's 1986 novel *Couples*. This is the first in a series of HCSC Book Club events, in which we will discuss the work of one Harvard-affiliated author every quarter. Attendance will be limited to ten people, so sign up early!



WED, MAR 9 @ 7:00PM

Virtual Event via Zoom

No charge (pre-registration required)

COVID Times - Expert Q&A with Pasadena Public Health Director & Health Officer, Dr. Ying-Ying Go

Join us for the special event featuring Dr. Ying-Ying Goh, Stanford graduate and Harvard-trained expert of public health, who is leading one of Southern California's largest cities during these tumultuous times. Co-hosted by Harvard Club of Southern California & Stanford Club of Pasadena.



SUN, MAR 13 @ 3:00PM

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Harvard Men's Tennis Visits Southern California

Building on dramatic marquee wins against top-20 teams to open the 2022 season with victories over Pepperdine (NCAA ranked #15) and the University of Michigan (NCAA ranked #16), the Harvard men's tennis team returns to Southern California for the second time this year, led by Andrew Rueb '95, the Scott Mead '77 Head Coach for Harvard Men's Tennis, for a week of tennis competition.



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Twice a year, thousands of Harvard alumni make new connections at Global Networking Night (GNN) events in cities across the globe. The last GNN drew more than 5,000 alumni in 85 cities worldwide! The next opportunity to tap into your Harvard Network is on Wednesday, March 16, 2022. Join us!

WED, MAR 16 @ 6:00PM

Virtual Event via Zoom

No charge (pre-registration required)



The Fight For Fair Housing

Join us for a candid conversation with Reed N. Colfax '92, (magna cum laude), Yale University Law School (JD '96) about the fight for Fair Housing and how California's cutting edge state-mandated housing goals attempt to bring us closer to "fairness" in housing. California is not known for its housing affordability. How can low-cost housing make "moving to opportunity" possible for racial and ethnic minorities to gain a level playing field in the game of life?

THU, MAR 17 @ 5:00PM

Virtual Event via Zoom

No charge (pre-registration required)



Harvard Recent Grads April "First Mondays" Happy Hour

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MON, APR 4 @ 6:00PM

Intercontinental Hotel Lobby (Downtown LA)

No charge, no host food and drinks



PACHINKO Q&A with Writer-Producer Soo

Join us for a Q&A with writer-producer Soo Hugh, who serves as showrunner, executive producer, writer and visionary behind drama series *PACHINKO*, based on the international best-selling novel of the same name. The show will premiere March 25, 2022 on Apple TV+.

THU, APR 7 @ 5:30PM

Virtual Event via Zoom

\$5 for Harvard Club, H4A, Harvardwood, and Partner club members;

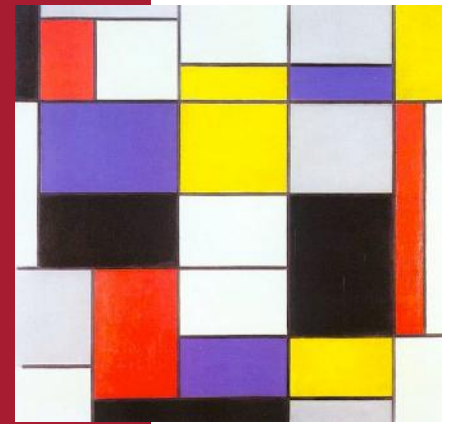
\$10 for non-members.



Recent [Virtual] Events

Partner Club Event: Victoria Martino Art History Lecture Series

On February 8, 2022, the Harvard Club of San Diego hosted the first of a five-week lecture series commemorating the 150th birthday of artist Piet Mondrian, known as the father of modernism. This five-week lecture series will trace Mondrian's dramatic development through a veritable lexicon of art movements: from his early representational landscapes, through Fauvism, pointillism, post-impressionism, neo-impressionism, luminism, and cubism, to the final breakthrough of his unique personal style, which has become synonymous with twentieth-century modernism. Additional lectures in the series will take place on March 1 and March 8, 2022.



Mexicali to Mayo Clinic

On February 16, 2022, the Harvard Latino Alumni Alliance hosted a moderated conversation with Dr. Quiñones-Hinojosa following a screening of the Netflix: The Surgeon's Cut episode in which he was featured. Dr. Quiñones-Hinojosa serves as chair of the Department of Neurologic Surgery at Mayo Clinic in Florida and earned his M.D. at Harvard Medical School, where he graduated *cum laude*.



Harvard Tennis Has a Successful Trip to SoCal



Henry von der Schulenberg '24 (Nationally ranked #34)

The Harvard Men's Tennis team launched its 2022 season at the NCAA Intercollegiate Tennis Association Kickoff Weekend during the first of the netmen's two trips to Southern California, with a dramatic win over the nationally No. 15 ranked Pepperdine Waves. The win was decided in the final match when captain Brian Shi '22 (nationally ranked #24), rallied, after dropping the first set, to win the next two sets and secure the team match, 4-3. Head Coach Andrew Rueb '95 called it "a classic 4-3 college match between two ranked teams where the line between winning and losing is only one or two points." The victory started off with Harvard earning the doubles point with wins from the nationally No. 14 ranked duo of Shi and first-year Daniel Milavsky at the No. 1 doubles spot, and the team of junior Harris Walker, who also won his singles match (ranked #47), paired with sophomore Ronan Jachuk, who also won his singles match. The weekend solidified the Crimson Netmen's ranking, currently at No. 13. In the championship round, Harvard fell to then-No. 8 USC Trojans, when USC clinched four points, although when play was suspended the top three singles matches were all in tight third sets. Alumni of Harvard tennis in the stands included two inductees into the Harvard Varsity Hall of Fame, Los Angeles native Howard Sands '83 (Harvard's first All-American in tennis) and Elizabeth Evans '85 (Harvard's first ever All-American in singles and doubles in the same year), Beverly Hills High School graduate Sy Fountaine '83, Harvard-Westlake former No. 1 and Harvard captain Philip Tseng '98 MBA '04, Jim Curley '81, former U.S. Open tournament director, and Allan Goldman '58, along with other alumni and their young children. The team returns to Southern California during spring break to play the University of Wisconsin in San Diego, followed by a rematch with Pepperdine in Malibu on March 17, and culminating with the Ed Collins Invitational at the University of San Diego over the weekend of March 19 and 20.

Q&A from 02138:

Morgan Melito '22



Morgan Melito '22, a concentrator in History, with a minor in Spanish language, was born in Westlake Village, California and graduated from Westlake High School where she was a member of the mock trial team which competed in the final state championship. She was a two-year captain of the softball team and was named all-league through four consecutive years. She is a senior residing in Mather House. At Harvard, she is the captain of the Harvard Softball team (two-time Ivy League Champion in 2018 and 2019). As a junior (2020 season), she batted .258 through 36 plate appearances with a .419 slugging percentage. She is a member of Women in Business and Athlete Ally, Student-Athlete Wellness Leader Program representative, and a Peer Advisor of Mather House. She has volunteered at Harvard Homeless Shelter. Morgan took a gap year during the 2020-2021 school year due to the COVID-19. During her time off, she worked at a law firm that specializes in civil rights and Title IX.

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

MM: I was surprised that I would develop this “buzz” as a student at Harvard. My friends, professors, and coaches are truly inspiring — not only are they exceptional people with impressive accomplishments, but they also pushed me to be great in all areas my life as well. I started saying “yes” to everything and taking on challenges that I didn’t even think about attempting beforehand. I feel like I’m graduating here with a new sense of purpose and an even stronger drive to accomplish my goals.

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

MM: The first time I visited campus was during my sophomore year in high school in January of 2015. I was recruited to play softball at Harvard and the team was hosting a winter clinic in the bubble on the football field. I was in absolute awe - probably because it had snowed several feet earlier that month and the campus was delicately painted white with snow. I remember standing outside the business school (I thought it was undergraduate campus at the time) and admiring how beautiful everything was.

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

MM: My favorite class was the sophomore tutorial for History concentrators entitled, “What is family history?” It was probably my most challenging class I’ve taken at Harvard. Each week, we had many lengthy, dense readings and Professor Jane Kamensky was not light on the feedback. While it was challenging, I was determined to improve and I became really passionate about the projects I was developing in the class. Soon enough, I took the topic of the final assignment and turned it into my senior thesis topic. Going into that course, I didn’t even think about writing a thesis, but I was so hooked on the subject and I knew that my work was unfinished. My senior thesis is on the legal and activist connections between the reproductive justice movement and gay rights in 1960s -1970s United States history.

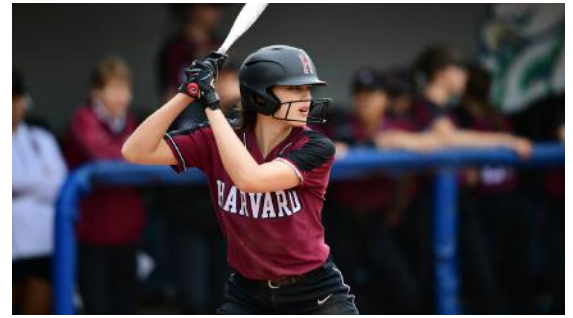
HCSC: What has been your funniest moment at Harvard?

MM: One of my funniest moments at Harvard was when my softball team got stuck in Chicago on our way back from playoffs in Arizona. We had a connecting flight through O’Hare airport, but didn’t land in time from Arizona to make the flight. We had to stay in a hotel until our new flight the next morning. It was a bonding moment for all of us because we didn’t have any of our bags (toothbrush included).

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

MM: If I was the President of Harvard, I would try to expand the guidelines for spending the endowment money. I would argue that endowment money could be spent for the experience of students as well, such as funding mental health resources, providing more financial aid for more students, and renovating dorms.



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

MM: I miss how beautiful the landscape is in Southern California. We are so lucky to be surrounded by mountains, ocean, and wildlife. Its been fun to live a city life in Cambridge, but I definitely know I'll need to be surrounded by nature in the future after college.

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

MM: I'm not sure where I'll end up! Its hard to pass up Southern California, so I might be coming home some time in the future. I also want to be near family, so I'll have to see where my two younger sisters end up as well.

HCSC: How did you manage the transition to virtual classes?

MM: Luckily, I only had one half semester of virtual classes during the spring of 2020 and took one course in the summer of 2020. I took a leave of absence from Fall 2020 - Spring 2021. The transition to virtual classes was difficult because it was difficult to connect with my classmates. However, I'm thankful to be back to in-person classes this year and I've been soaking up every moment in a real classroom.

HCSC: What are your plans for the summer of 2022?

MM: After graduation, I'll return to Southern California to be with my family before starting a job in the fall. I have not solidified my plans for a job post-grad yet. I'm hoping to get some hiking trips in with friends and lake trips with my family.

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2022-2023 CLUB ELECTION SLATE

Pursuant to Article IV, Section 1 of the Club By-Laws, the Nominations Committee presents the following nominations for officers and directors of the Harvard Club of Southern California for the year 2022-2023:

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