

The Graduate School of Arts and Sciences is holding Reunions for each of our 31 departments and for other special programs that the Graduate School offers.

Reunions are an opportunity to return to Columbia and to celebrate the accomplishments of fellow alumni.

This year, GSAS welcomes alumni from the Departments of Art History and Archaeology, Classics, East Asian Languages and Cultures, History, Middle East and Asian Languages and Cultures, and Music back to Columbia.

Reunions provide a forum for Columbia alumni, and faculty to discuss new developments in their fields, as well as an opportunity to reconnect with old friends and colleagues.

Welcome back!

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GSAS Departmental Reunions

*Art History and Archaeology
Classics · East Asian Languages and
Cultures · History · Middle East and
Asian Languages and Cultures
Music*



Schedule of Activities
Saturday, April 4, 2009



Registration

Havemeyer Hall

9:00am Check in, receive your reunion packet, and enjoy continental breakfast with returning alums

Morning

Sessions in Your Departments

Art History and Archaeology

10:00am Join Professors Matthew McKelway and Zoe Strother and graduate student Emerson Bowyer, who will present their research and moderate a discussion.

Classics

10:00am Chair James Zetzel and current graduate students share research and discuss Classics today.

East Asian Languages and Cultures

10:00am Join Professors Robert Hymes, David Lurie, Gregory Pflugfelder, and Shang Wei for faculty talks and to revisit your Columbia experience and to reconnect with the department.

History

10:00am Director of Graduate Studies Pamela Smith welcomes alumni and friends to faculty talks. Department Chair Marc Van De Mieroop reflects on "Whither Columbia's History Department?" and Professor Emeritus Henry Graff discusses "Profanity and the Presidency."

Middle East And Asian Languages and Cultures

10:00am Professor Fran Pritchett will share the website of resources she has compiled spanning South Asian art, architecture, literature, and languages. Professor Pritchett and Prof. Gil Anidjar will lead a roundtable on MEALAC's past and future.

Music

10:00am Professor Walter Frisch will chair a session of current graduate students presenting their research and creative work.

Afternoon

General Session in Havemeyer Hall

2:00pm **Welcome**

Henry C. Pinkham
Dean, Graduate School of Arts and Sciences, and Professor of Mathematics

2:15pm **World War II and the Politics of Memory in Asia Today**

Carol Gluck
George Sansom Professor of History and Professor of East Asian Languages and Cultures

2:45pm **Godzilla Fights the Cold War**

Gregory Pflugfelder
Associate Professor

3:15pm **Cookie and Coffee Break**

4:15pm **Studying the Conflict in Darfur and Sudan**

Mahmood Mamdani
Herbert Lehman Professor of Government and Professor of Anthropology

4:45pm **Codex Hammurabi: The Monumental Force of the Law**

Zainab Bahrani
Edith Porada Professor of Ancient Near Eastern Art History and Archaeology

5:15pm **Haydn and the Music of Illumination**

Elaine Sisman
Anne Parsons Bender Professor of Music

Evening

Cocktails in Low Library

6:00pm **GSAS Cocktail Reception**

8:00pm **Event Concludes**