EVENTS AT COLUMBIA  FEB. 20 - MAR. 11, 2004

TALKS

FEBRUARY


6:00 P.M.  “Black Heritage Month Closing Reception.”  BIAM.  854-3611.  Rowe Alumne Auditorium.

MARCH


2ND, TUE.  7:00 P.M.  “Debating Beauty: The Politics of Style and Style.”  Philip Kitcher, Columbia U.  HI.  854-5139.

4TH, THUR.  6:30 P.M.  Film Screening of Chasing Freedom.  A panel following the movie will discuss the political, legal, and social ramifications of the asylum process. Co-sponsored by the International Cooperation Committee of the School of Social Work, the Society of Immigrant and Refugee Rights at Columbia Law School, Columbia School of Human Rights, and the Social Policy Forum at the School of International and Public Affairs. For more information please contact Sarah-Tedious or Becky Chandler at sjt2008@columbia.edu or nxc2028@columbia.edu. Jerome Green Hall, Rm. 104.


10TH, WED.  12:00 P.M.  Cochlear Implant Symposium.  Co-Chair: Joseph Talmadge, U of Wisconsin.  APAM.  854-4457.  214 Mudd.

11TH, FRI.  4:00 P.M.  “Polyethersulfones on Surfaces: From Layer Dynamics to New Technologies.”  Maria Santori, U of Massachusetts-Amherst. 5 Seminar pre- ceded by refreshments at 3:30 P.M. Chemical Engineering and City College Chemical Engineering.  854-4455.  226 Mudd.

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3RD, WED.  12:05 P.M.  Concert.  Interchurch Center Choir sings music of Mozart with string quartet. Interchurch Center.  870-2231. Interchurch Center Chapel.


8:00 P.M.  “Molecular Genetics of Coupled Ocean-Atmosphere Mod- eling.”  Donald Keene Center Japanese American National Museum.  854-3611.  Faculty House of Columbia U.  749-0800. Faculty House, 117th St & Morningside Dr.

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SPECIAL FEBRUARY 26TH, THUR. 10:00 A.M. - 7:00 P.M. “Can the Subaltern Speak?” Remarks on a History of an Idea.” A day symposium in honor of the 20th anniversary of Gayatri Chakravorty Spivak’s writing of the landmark essay. Featuring: Abdul JamMohamed, Michele Buter, Homi Bhabha, Rita Birla, Partha Chatterjee, Pherchand, Drucilla Cornell, Harid Dabush, Jean Franco, Rajeswar Sunder Rajan, and Gayatri Chakravorty Spivak. Casa Italiana. Please call 854-3277 for reservations. Casa Italiana. 27TH, FRI. 8:30 A.M. - 5:30 P.M. “Public Policy and the Academy: Exploring the Contributions of Academic Research to Public Policy.” Speakers include: Esther Fuchs, Lisa Anderson, Sheila Kamerman, Kenneth Prewitt, and Elliot Sclar. To register email ia77@columbia.edu by Feb. 20. Columbia University Public Policy Consortium. 15th fl., SIPA.

MARCH 3RD, WED. 2:00 P.M. Edward W. Said Memorial Service. A live broadcast of the service will be held at Roone Arledge Auditorium. The majority of chapel seats have been reserved for family and close friends. Please RSVP at events1@columbia.edu St. Paul’s Chapel.

CUMC FEBRUARY 20TH, FRI. 1:00 P.M. “Sexual Risk, Roles, and Relationships Among Rural South African Young Adults.” Lucia O’Sullivan, Columbia U. CIPHRDA. 870-3514. 815 McVickar Hall, CUMSS. 4:00 P.M. “Predicting the Structures of Large Transmembrane Domains Based on Intermediate-Resolution Cryo-EM.” Nir Ben Tal, Tel Aviv U. Biochemistry and Molecular Biophysics. 305-3885. 523 BB.

23RD, MON. 12:00 P.M. “Protecting Children is Everybody’s Business: Accounting for Increases in Admissions to Care in Child Welfare.” Alan Leschfeld, U of Western Ontario. CCYVP. 305-8213. Irving Center for Clinical Research Conference.

1ST, MON. 12:00 P.M. “Molecular Machina of Synaptic Differentiation in the CNS.” Peter R. Scheiffele, Columbia U. Pharmacology. 305-8778. BB 724.

24TH, TUE. 12:00 P.M. “Regulation of Cell Growth by the TOR Pathway.” David Sabatini, Whitehead Institute. ICG. 851-5726. Russ Berrie Lecture Rm. 1.


4:00 P.M. “Structural Basis for Specificity in Protein Kinase Signaling Pathways.” Lesley Canley, Harvard Medical School. 305-3885. 310 HISC.

27TH, FRI. 1:00 P.M. “Urban Renewal Means Negro Removal: The Long-Term Consequences of a Federal Program.” Mind Fullilove, Columbia U. CIPHRDA. 870-3514. 815 McVickar Hall, CUMSS.

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5TH, FRI. 1:00 P.M. “Health Services Research in Substance Abuse.” Isaac Monyuga, Affiliated Systems. CIDHPHA. 870-3514. 815 McVickar Hall, CUMSS.

8TH, MON. 12:00 P.M. “TBA.” Stephanie Neipers ’03 and Joshua Brown, NYU. CCYVP. 302-8213. Irving Center for Clinical Research Conference Room.

NOW THRU FEB. 27TH 12:00 P.M. - 7:45 P.M. from Mon. 9:00 A.M.-4:45 P.M. Tue.-Fri. “Columbia’s Core Curriculum: The Core Curriculum.” Curated by Jennifer Lee. 854-4088. RBML.

NOW THRU FEB. 29TH 10th Annual Harlem Horizon Art Studio Exhibition. “Art is Healing: Twenty-Two Pieces on the Seventeenth Floor.” For more information call 939-4010. Low Rotunda.

Ahead of Its Time: General Studies’ Vital Role

I have very warm and grateful memories about how I was welcomed at GS and treated with respect. Thanks to GS, I got a great education and found a professional niche in university development along the way.

Nearly two decades after Feigin began her GS courses, John Lenzi, the man who would become Columbia’s university registrar and executive director of student information systems, set foot on the campus as manager of information technology, simultaneously setting out to finish his degree through the School of General Studies. After high school, the Spring Valley, NY, native planned to become a film editor. He enrolled in a technical film school in California. But he soon switched gears and joined a computer conversion company in 1977.

In 1979, he decided to move to New York. Within three weeks he had a job on Park Avenue. And by the following year, he was working for ADP’s brokerage division on Wall Street, where he stayed for seven years. “I was being mentored actually to move up to the VP level,” said Lenzi. But soon, he began to experience burnout with the high-pressure Wall Street job. At that point a friend suggested the idea of working for a not-for-profit. Lenzi found a position advertised in The New York Times job section—an information technology operations manager job at Columbia. During the interview process for the job, he decided he would go back to school and finish his degree.

That was then. Now, as registrar, with a bachelor’s, master’s and all-but-dissertation Ph.D. work at Columbia behind him, Lenzi observed that more and more students are following a nontraditional path to higher education.

“I think we are seeing an enormous shift in the population,” said Lenzi. “That it’s important that the Ivy League, important that the community about its academic and research needs.

Twenty-three students will serve on this newly formed committee of undergraduate and graduate students. Seven members are Columbia College students and three are SEAS students.

Each graduate school on the Morningside Heights and Washington Heights campuses also has one student representative on the committee.

Students were nominated in a variety of ways. Some deans worked with their staff to select a student, others elected the leader of the student council or similar entity. In addition, students were nominated by the Student Affairs Office for Columbia College, the IFS Foundation School of Engineering and Applied Science and Chaplain Jewelnel Davis, the director of Earl Hall.

Other committees that are contributing to the planning process are the Community Advisory Committee, which is facilitating an ongoing dialogue with the community about its concerns and interests, and the Faculty Advisory Committee, which is addressing Columbia’s academic and research needs.

Columbia Creates Student Advisory Committee as Part of Campus Planning Process

BY ELIZABETH GOLDEN

Columbia University has announced the formation of its Student Advisory Committee for Campus Planning and set the committee’s first meeting for the end of Provost Alan Brinkley will chair the committee, and other senior university officials will attend the meetings.

The creation of the Student Advisory Committee is part of Columbia’s collaborative process as the University moves forward with its proposed expansion. The Student Advisory Committee will act much like the Faculty Advisory Committee, by supplying input and feedback as plans for expansion continue to develop. This will be a consultative relationship with senior administrators to discuss issues and ideas.

“We think it’s extremely important for our students to have the opportunity to present their views on this issue, which is important to the University,” said Provost Brinkley.

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