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SLC to celebrate Nobel Prize winning physicist and former faculty member Dr. Maria Goeppert Mayer on 9/12

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On Wednesday, September 12, Sarah Lawrence College will hold a campus wide celebration in honor of the College's Nobel Prize winning faculty member (1941-46) Maria Goeppert Mayer, one of only two women to receive the Nobel Prize in Physics.

The celebration will include a faculty panel, a reception, and the dedication of the College's Physics lab in Mayer's honor. There will also be a lecture by physicist Jim Gates Jr., who makes inspiring connections between his work on superstring/M theory and other human ways of knowing the universe, including art, math, music, and even theology.

Dr. Maria Goeppert Mayer was dedicated to "teaching as it is done at Sarah Lawrence—not the mere imparting of knowledge, but the human contact with developing personalities." Despite her willingness to serve her country by working on the Manhattan Project, Dr. Mayer was committed to Sarah Lawrence, declaring that if war work "imperiled the possibility of my return to Sarah Lawrence, the personal sacrifice demanded is too much".

Event details:

Wednesday, September 12
Donnelley Auditorium, Heibold Visual Arts Center

Welcome reception
4:30 p.m.

Panel Discussing Maria Goeppert Mayer at SLC
5:15 p.m.

[View an online exhibit about Maria Goeppert Mayer from the Sarah Lawrence College Archives» »](http://archives.slc.edu/exhibits/maria-goeppert-mayer-exhibit/index.html) [<http://archives.slc.edu/exhibits/maria-goeppert-mayer-exhibit/index.html>]

Unveiling of plaque dedicating the Maria Mayer Physics Laboratory
6:15 p.m.

Lecture by Physicist Sylvester James "Jim" Gates, Jr.
"Symmetry and the Quincunx Nexus"
6:30 p.m.

For information about this event, please contact the Office of College Events at (914) 395-2412 or collegeevents@sarahlawrence.edu » [<mailto:collegeevents@sarahlawrence.edu>]. The event is free and open to the public.

Jedd Novatt '80 unveils permanent installation of "Chaos Nervion" in Bilbao, Spain

Date: Sep 4, 2012

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"Chaos Nervion," a work in bronze by sculptor Jedd Novatt '80, has been installed by the city of Bilbao on the Campa de los Ingleses, in proximity to the Guggenheim Museum Bilbao designed by Frank Gehry. The piece was originally included in "Beyond Limits," an exhibition of work by internationally renowned artists, which was organized by Sotheby's at Chatsworth (England) in 2011, and is part of Novatt's larger "Chaos" series. In the series, Novatt presents cube-like forms in steel or bronze, which appear to be in a precarious balance, adding movement to the geometry of the cube.

To view some of Jedd Novatt's work, visit <http://jeddnovatt.com/> » [<http://jeddnovatt.com/>].

Literature professor Nicolaus Mills talks beanballs and baseball on CNN.com

Date: Sep 5, 2012

In the News Humanities Literature Faculty

In a [CNN.com](http://edition.cnn.com/2012/09/03/opinion/mills-baseball-hit-by-pitch/index.html) » [<http://edition.cnn.com/2012/09/03/opinion/mills-baseball-hit-by-pitch/index.html>] opinion piece, Literature professor Nicolaus Mills appeals to Major League Baseball to enact stiffer penalties for intentional and wild pitches that put the safety of hitters at risk.

Economics professor Jamee Moudud named Associate Editor of *Review of Keynesian Economics*

Date: Sep 11, 2012

In the News History and the Social Sciences Economics Faculty

Economic professor Jamee K. Moudud has been named Associate Editor of the *Review of Keynesian Economics* » [http://www.e-elgar.com/journals/Journal_About.lasso?ref=ROKE#Editorsplus].

SLC among Unigo's Top 10 Colleges Supporting the LGBT Student Community

Date: Sep 11, 2012

In the News LGBT SLC

Sarah Lawrence College was among the Top 10 Schools Supporting the LGBT Student Community in [Unigo's 2013 College Rankings](http://www.unigo.com/Rankings/RankingDetails.aspx?RankingId=29&Ordinal=6&Year=2013) » [<http://www.unigo.com/Rankings/RankingDetails.aspx?RankingId=29&Ordinal=6&Year=2013>]. More than 30,000 students voted in the ranking process.

Debut novel by Jeet Thayil MFA '00 makes Man Booker Prize for Fiction short list

Date: Sep 13, 2012

In the News Creative and Performing Arts Writing Writing Alums

The Wall Street Journal » [<http://blogs.wsj.com/scene/2012/09/12/jeet-thayil-and-tan-twan-eng-make-booker-shortlist/>] reports that *Narcopolis*, the debut novel by Indian poet Jeet Thayil MFA '00, is among the six novels comprising the short list for the Man Booker Prize for Fiction.

Tom Blum, Vice President of Administration, discusses the state of educational loans in America with *The New York Observer*

Date: Sep 13, 2012

In the News Administration

In an article in *The New York Observer* » [https://www.sarahlawrence.edu/news-events/media/pdf/NY_Observer_Tom_Blum.pdf], Vice President of Administration Tom Blum discusses the state of educational loans in America.

Literature professor Nicolaus Mills discusses voter ID laws in *The Christian Science Monitor*

Date: Sep 14, 2012

In the News Humanities Literature Politics Faculty

In an article in *The Christian Science Monitor* » [<http://www.csmonitor.com/Commentary/Opinion/2012/0829/The-conservative-case-against-voter-ID-laws>] entitled, "The conservative case against voter ID laws," Literature professor Nicolaus Mills recall actions of Republican President Ronald Reagan and Chief Justice Warren Burger against such laws.

Writer-director-producer J.J. Abrams '88 talks to *Newsday* about new NBC series *Revolution*

Date: Sep 18, 2012

In the News Creative and Performing Arts Alums

Newsday » [<http://www.newsday.com/news/j-j-abrams-readies-for-revolution-1.4009957>] features an interview with writer-director-producer J.J. Abrams '88 about his new NBC series *Revolution*. About attending Sarah Lawrence, Abrams says, "I feel very lucky I got the opportunity to do that."

Crain's New York Business profiles Jay Sterrenberg '05 and the Meerkat Media Collective

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Crain's New York Business' ["Executive Inbox"](#) » [<http://mycrains.crainsnewyork.com/blogs/executive-inbox/2012/09/these-new-grads-created-their-own-dream-jobs/#.UFyFw0LIgAM.email>] [blog profiles the Meerkat Media Collective](#) » [<http://meerkatmedia.org/>] and its co-founder Jay Sterrenberg '05. In the post, entitled, "These new grads created their own dream jobs," Sterrenberg says he and the Collective's other members had an advantage after graduation: "We all went to Sarah Lawrence, where a lot of the course work is project-based. So we all had four years of experience developing projects from initial concept to finished product. We were already comfortable with the process of making something from nothing."

Literature professor Nicolaus Mills looks at the history of presidential accountability on CNN.com

Date: Sep 21, 2012

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In an opinion piece on [CNN.com](#) » [<http://www.cnn.com/2012/09/20/opinion/mills-political-apologies/index.html?iref=allsearch#ContentArea>], Literature professor Nicolaus Mills questions Republican presidential candidate Mitt Romney's criticism of political apologies, citing notable apologies by past presidents Bush, Clinton, and Regan.

Endowed fund to provide art internships for Sarah Lawrence students

Date: Sep 25, 2012

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Sarah Lawrence College is pleased to announce the inauguration of The Annette McGuire Cravens '45 Internship in Visual Culture to be awarded to one or more Sarah Lawrence College students concentrating in the visual arts. A gift from alumna Annette Cravens to the College creates an endowed fund to support internships in arts-related organizations, which will be awarded based on need and project merit. The stipends will enable selected students to pursue internships, fast becoming an essential bridge between college and career, in the fields of visual arts and visual culture.

A resident of Buffalo, N.Y., Annette Cravens is well-known in her community for her collection of modern art, archeological and ethnographic objects. In making the gift, which is intended for internships in which students are given the opportunity to interact with art objects, Cravens drew on her philosophy of collecting. "Each individual piece, whether it's a painting, a sculpture, or medical instrument should speak to the observer and tell its story," she says.

This gift to the College will allow students the opportunity to explore careers in visual arts and gain valuable "hands-on" experience with "authentic" objects and works of art in museums, galleries, exhibition spaces, community centers, and other cultural venues. The interns, who will conclude their experience with a report and presentation to the College community, are also encouraged to share their experiences with the communities in which they work.

"Few internships in the field of visual arts offer a stipend or other compensation," says Dean of the College Jerrilynn Dodds, an art historian. "Many of our excellent students simply cannot afford to accept an unpaid internship."

"The ability to support our students in internships in the visual arts will enable the College to further engage and develop our already impressive network of accomplished alumni in the field," says President Karen Lawrence. "These internships could in time lead to the distinguished arts-related positions SLC alumni currently hold," she added.

Among Sarah Lawrence alumni currently in key positions at leading major cultural institutions are: Nancy Spector, deputy director of the Solomon R. Guggenheim Museum in NYC; Jacquelyn Serwer, chief curator of the newly opened Smithsonian National Museum of African American History and Culture in Washington D.C.; Linda Shearer, executive director of Houston's Project Row Houses; Sarah Boehme, managing director of the Stark Museum of Art in Orange, Texas; and Karen Spaulding, deputy director of the Albright-Knox Art Gallery in Buffalo, N.Y.

SLC to present free concert by the Salomé Chamber Orchestra on 9/30

Date: Sep 25, 2012

News Release

A performance of the acclaimed Salomé Chamber Orchestra will be held for free at 3 p.m. on Sunday, September 30, in Sarah Lawrence College's Reisinger Concert Hall.

The ensemble will perform Mozart's *Sinfonia Concertante*, arranged for String Sextet, and Tchaikovsky's *Souvenir de Florence*.

This concert is made possible by The MOCA Foundation and Sarah Lawrence College alumna Mary Lynn Marx Bianco in honor of Marianne W. Lester, Psychology faculty emerita, who taught at the College from 1957–1983.

Reservations are requested, but are not required. Please call (914) 395-2412 or e-mail collegeevents@sarahlawrence.edu » [<mailto:collegeevents@sarahlawrence.edu>].

Literature professor Nicolaus Mills examines Harvard cheating scandal on CNN.com

Date: Sep 26, 2012

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In an opinion piece on [CNN.com](http://edition.cnn.com/2012/09/25/opinion/mills-harvard-cheating/index.html) » [<http://edition.cnn.com/2012/09/25/opinion/mills-harvard-cheating/index.html>], Literature professor Nicolaus Mills criticizes Harvard's handling of a recent cheating scandal, offering West Point's handling of a similar incident in 1951 as an example of a better response.

Westchester Magazine profiles Margo Taft Stever MFA '88, founder of the Hudson Valley Writers' Center

Date: Sep 27, 2012

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Westchester Magazine » [<http://www.westchestermagazine.com/Westchester-Magazine/October-2012/A-Profile-of-Poet-and-Hudson-Valley-Writers-Center-Founder-Margo-Taft-Stever-of-Sleepy-Hollow/>] profiles Margo Taft Stever MFA '88, an award-winning poet who founded the Hudson Valley Writers' Center and originated the Slapering Hol Press.

Rio Cortez '07 receives Amy Award from *Poets and Writers*

Date: Sep 27, 2012

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Rio Cortez '07 is one of four recipients of the 2012 Amy Award presented by *Poets & Writers* » [http://www.pw.org/about-us/2012_amy_award]. The award recognizes promising women poets, age 30 and under, living in the New York City metropolitan area. A reading by the winners will be held on Wednesday, October 17, at 6 p.m. at the New York Society Library.

VP of Administration Tom Blum discusses getting a job after college in *The Wall Street Journal*

Date: Sep 27, 2012

In the News Humanities Creative and Performing Arts History and the Social Sciences
Science and Mathematics Administration

Tom Blum, Vice President of Administration at SLC, is quoted in a *Wall Street Journal* » [<http://www.marketwatch.com/story/which-colleges-help-grads-snare-top-salaries-2012-09-25-121034742?pagenumber=2>] “Market Watch” article entitled, “Which colleges help grads snare top salaries?” Blum speaks of the active role Sarah Lawrence plays in helping students get jobs and create opportunities for themselves, citing the planned Career Invention Center that will teach students about starting their own businesses. More than 25% of SLC alums go on “to be developers of small businesses and innovators,” says Blum.

"Fortune" by choreographer Pam Tanowitz MFA '98 reviewed by *The New York Times*

Date: Oct 1, 2012

In the News Creative and Performing Arts Dance Dance Alums

Alastair Macaulay of *The New York Times* » [http://www.nytimes.com/2012/10/01/arts/dance/fall-for-dance-festival-at-city-center.html?_r=0&adxnnl=1&ref=dance&adxnnlx=1349104711-Pfb0pHaK3hjmfpOP21VRnQ] reviews City Center's Fall for Dance Program, which features a performance of "Fortune," choreographed by Pam Tanowitz MFA '98. Macaulay write, "It's always a pleasure to see Ms. Tanowitz's spruce use of footwork and legwork; but her use of the torso is also striking."

Faculty member Jamee Moudud edits "unorthodox" book of economics

Date: Oct 2, 2012

News Release History and the Social Sciences Economics Faculty

Two competing assumptions about the relationship between the nature of markets and economic policy have dominated the history of policymaking, says Jamee K. Moudud, a member of the Economics faculty at Sarah Lawrence College and principal editor of *Alternative Theories of Competition: Challenges to the Orthodoxy*, published by Routledge (2012). Advocates of *laissez faire* have historically based their policies on a supposed perfectly competitive market while opponents of such policies have generally claimed that markets are imperfectly competitive.

Alternative Theories of Competition, co-edited with Cyrus Bina of the University of Minnesota-Morris and Patrick L. Mason of Florida State University, raises questions about this orthodox dichotomy between "perfect" and "imperfect" business competition. By drawing on the insights of several important authors in the history of political economy the authors in this book challenge the "perfect" versus "imperfect" competition dichotomy in both theoretical and empirical terms.

Moudud was recently named associate editor of *Review of Keynesian Economics*. His articles on the state, competition, development, and growth have been published in the *International Journal of Political Economy*, *Research on Money and Finance*, *Comparative Studies in South Asia, Africa, and the Middle East*, *African and Asian Studies*, *International Encyclopedia of the Social Sciences*, *Challenge*, and *Encyclopedia of International Political Economy*. His book, *Strategic Competition, Dynamics, and the Role of the State: a New Perspective*, was published in 2010 by Edward Elgar as part of its *New Directions in Economics* series. He is currently working on his next book (with C. Bina), *International Economics: An Encyclopedia of Global Trade, Capital, Labor, Technology, and Innovation*, which will be published by Greenwood Press in 2014.

Writing professor Rachel Cohen contributes *New Yorker* article about acclaimed art expert Bernard Berenson

Date: Oct 2, 2012

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Writing faculty member Rachel Cohen contributed an article to *The New Yorker* » [http://www.newyorker.com/reporting/2012/10/08/121008fa_fact_cohen] entitled, "Priceless," which chronicles the partnership between Bernard Berenson, one of the most acclaimed art experts of the twentieth century, and Joseph Duveen, the influential art dealer.

Emma Gaalaas Mullaney '07 leads U.S. youth delegation to UN Convention on Biological Diversity

Date: Oct 3, 2012

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Emma Gaalaas Mullaney '07 is leading a delegation of U.S. youth at the 11th United Nations Convention on Biological Diversity. Mullaney, who is now a doctoral candidate at Penn State, was selected for the position by [SustainUS](http://sustainus.org/component/content/article/8-news/news-general/528-support-the-sustainus-delegation-to-the-un-convention-on-biodiversity) » [<http://sustainus.org/component/content/article/8-news/news-general/528-support-the-sustainus-delegation-to-the-un-convention-on-biodiversity>], a volunteer-led youth organization that advocates for sustainable development at the international level.

Literature professor Nicolaus Mills discusses diversity and the Supreme Court on philly.com

Date: Oct 3, 2012

[In the News](#) [Humanities](#) [History and the Social Sciences](#) [Politics](#) [Literature](#) [Faculty](#)

In a [philly.com](http://www.philly.com/philly/opinion/20121003_Finishing_Meredith_s_fight.html) » [http://www.philly.com/philly/opinion/20121003_Finishing_Meredith_s_fight.html] opinion piece, Literature professor Nicolaus Mills discusses diversity and the Supreme Court, previewing the Court's upcoming case of *Fisher v. University of Texas*.

Brian Morton, Director of the Graduate Writing Program, weighs in on Presidential debates in *Newsday*

Date: Oct 4, 2012

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In a *Newsday* » [<http://www.newsday.com/opinion/oped/morton-mitt-romney-barack-obama-and-the-knockout-punch-1.4065720>] opinion piece, Brian Morton, director of the [Graduate Writing Program](#) » [<https://www.sarahlawrence.edu/writing-mfa/index.html>], questions the media's incessant need to declare a "knockout" after presidential debates.

New study by Politics professor Sam Abrams cited in *Daily Beast* article on centrists and independents

Date: Oct 8, 2012

[In the News](#) [History and the Social Sciences](#) [Politics](#) [Faculty](#)

A new study co-authored by Politics professor Sam Abrams is cited in a *Daily Beast* » [<http://www.thedailybeast.com/articles/2012/10/08/in-2012-election-centrists-move-left-as-independents-stay-split.html>] article entitled, "In 2012 Election, Centrists Move Left As Independents Stay Split." The study examines the voting habits of these two groups.

Writing faculty member Marek Fuchs publishes new book on volunteer firefighting in America

Date: Oct 12, 2012

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The Rivertowns Daily Voice » [<http://rivertowns.dailyvoice.com/neighbors/hastings-man-writes-about-firefighting-america>] profiles Writing faculty member Marek Fuchs, who has published a new book entitled, *Local Heroes: Portraits of American Volunteer Firefighters*. A volunteer firefighter himself, Fuchs traveled across America gathering stories of volunteer fire companies and discovering "what can be learned from viewing America through [their] eyes." In a related article, *Parade* » [<http://www.parade.com/celebrity/news/2012/10/31-go-behind-the-scenes-with-volunteer-firefighters.html>] magazine calls the book "riveting."

Artforum features video interview with performance artist Meredith Monk '64

Date: Oct 16, 2012

[In the News](#) [Creative and Performing Arts](#) [Dance](#) [Dance](#) [Alums](#)

[Artforum](#) » [<http://www.artforum.com/words/id=35276>] features a video interview with performance artist and MacArthur Genius Grant winner Meredith Monk '64, who speaks about her time as a student at SLC while sharing recollections about the Judson Dance Theater.

Historian Victoria Smolkin-Rothrock '02 lectures on atheism in the Soviet Union

Date: Oct 16, 2012

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[StarNewsOnline](#) » [<http://www.starnewsonline.com/article/20121015/ARTICLES/121019765/-1/news49ecture-delves-into-spiritual-life-of-atheist-nation?p=1&tc=pg>] features an article on historian Victoria Smolkin-Rothrock '02, an assistant professor of history at Wesleyan University, who lectures on the subject, "A Sacred Space: The Spiritual Life of Soviet Atheism," on October 16.

Cellist Zoe Keating '93 profiled in *The Harvard Crimson*

Date: Oct 16, 2012

[In the News](#) [Creative and Performing Arts](#) [Music](#) [Alums](#)

[The Harvard Crimson](#) » [<http://www.thecrimson.com/image/2012/10/16/zoe-keating-photo/>] profiles renowned cellist Zoe Keating '93, who is currently in the middle of a multinational tour.

Ilana Masad '13 wins weekly Master Plotto contest from *Tin House* magazine

Date: Oct 18, 2012

[In the News](#) [Creative and Performing Arts](#) [Writing](#) [Writing](#) [Students](#)

Ilana Masad '13 won the student edition of the weekly Master Plotto writing contest from [Tin House](#) » [<http://www.tinhouse.com/blog/18949/master-plotto-week-two-winner-ilana-masad.html>] magazine.

Rashaun Mitchell '00 receives Bessie Award for Outstanding Emerging Choreographer

Date: Oct 18, 2012

[In the News](#) [Creative and Performing Arts](#) [Dance](#) [Dance](#) [Alums](#)

Rashaun Mitchell '00 is the recipient of the 2012 [Bessie Award](#) » [<http://www.dancenyc.org/bessies/news.php?id=35>] for Outstanding Emerging Choreographer. The Bessie Awards acknowledge outstanding creative work by independent artists in the fields of dance and related performance in New York City.

Family Weekend still scheduled for November 2-4

Date: Oct 28, 2012

News Release

Barring unexpected consequences from Hurricane Sandy, SLC still intends to hold [Family Weekend](https://www.sarahlawrence.edu/parents/family-weekend/index.html) » [<https://www.sarahlawrence.edu/parents/family-weekend/index.html>] festivities as scheduled. Please check this Web site for updates regarding our plans.

Family Weekend Storm-Driven Cancellation

Date: Oct 30, 2012

News Brief SLC

Due to power outages and significant transportation issues, the College is regretfully compelled to cancel Family Weekend, November 2-4. Further details will be provided via an e-mail communication to parents and families.

Daniel Ross '13 discusses the 2012 Breeder's Cup on HuffingtonPost.com

Date: Nov 2, 2012

In the News Students

Daniel Ross '13 discusses the disappointing show at this year's Breeder's Cup on [HuffingtonPost.com](http://www.huffingtonpost.com/daniel-ross/horseracing-medication-ban_b_2061571.html) » [http://www.huffingtonpost.com/daniel-ross/horseracing-medication-ban_b_2061571.html]. Currently a senior at SLC, Ross was formerly a steeplechase jockey in the United Kingdom and an exercise rider around the world.

Heather McDonnell, Associate Dean of Financial Aid and Admission, publishes article on making college affordable for young men of color

Date: Nov 2, 2012

In the News Staff

Heather McDonnell, Associate Dean of Financial Aid and Admission, published an article entitled, "Making College Real for Young Men of Color," in the College Board publication *Transforming the Educational Experience of Young Men of Color* » [http://media.collegeboard.com/digitalServices/pdf/nosca/2012-NOSCA_YMOC-Journal-2.pdf].

Locker room facilities for hot showers open to community members with no power; library also open

Date: Nov 5, 2012

News Release SLC

While Westchester County recovers from Hurricane Sandy, Sarah Lawrence College officials are aware that many families still have not had their power restored. To provide a modicum of assistance, the College is offering the use of the Campbell Sports Center's locker room facilities for showers this Monday through Friday from 7 a.m. - 5 p.m. The Center is located at the corner of Kimball and Wilgarth Avenues in Yonkers. Sports center staff will ask for identification and require that visitors bring their own personal toiletries and towels. Children must be accompanied by parents. Visitors are also invited to stop by the Esther Raushenbush Library, which is open from 8:30 a.m. - 8:30 p.m. Monday through Thursday and 8:30 a.m. - 7 p.m. on Friday. In addition to enjoying the reading rooms, visitors are welcome to use the library to charge electronic devices.

Politics faculty member Sam Abrams examines key factors in Jewish engagement

Date: Nov 2, 2012

In the News History and the Social Sciences Politics Faculty

In an opinion piece in *The Jewish Week* » [<http://www.thejewishweek.com/editorial-opinion/opinion/key-factor-jewish-engagement-isnt-cost>], Politics faculty member Sam Abrams discusses the result of a survey he co-conducted to determine how important social networks are in the decisions of families to participate in Jewish life.

Writing faculty member Melvin Jules Bukiet reviews *The Lawgiver* in *The Washington Post*

Date: Nov 2, 2012

In the News Creative and Performing Arts Writing Writing Faculty

In *The Washington Post* » [http://www.washingtonpost.com/entertainment/books/the-lawgiver-by-herman-wouk/2012/11/01/b642defe-1c6a-11e2-ba31-3083ca97c314_story.html], Writing faculty member Melvin Jules Bukiet reviews Herman Wouk's new novel *The Lawgiver*.

Politics faculty member Sam Abrams weighs in on political polarization in *The Hawk Eye*

Date: Nov 5, 2012

In the News History and the Social Sciences Politics Faculty

In *The Hawk Eye* » [<http://www.thehawkeye.com/story/Polarization-110412>], Iowa's oldest newspaper, Politics faculty member Sam Abrams weighs in on political polarization, saying that the public "is not more polarized than it was in the past, in major part because the public isn't paying enough attention." Abrams and the book he co-authored, *Disconnect: The Breakdown of Representation in American Politics*, are also cited in a [HuffingtonPost.com](http://www.huffingtonpost.com/david-westin/election-media-politics_b_2109093.html) » [http://www.huffingtonpost.com/david-westin/election-media-politics_b_2109093.html] article on the same topic.

J.J. Abrams '88 to receive 2013 Norman Lear Achievement Award from Producers Guild

Date: Nov 6, 2012

In the News Creative and Performing Arts Alums

Producer-director J.J. Abrams '88, known for his hit television shows *Lost*, *Alias*, and *Felicity*, will be honored with the Producers Guild's 2013 Norman Lear Achievement Award, as reported by *The Hollywood Reporter* » [<http://www.hollywoodreporter.com/news/producers-guild-america-honor-jj-386391>].

Suzanne Wright '98 and Bob Wright earn Lifetime Achievement Award from *Greenwich Magazine*

Date: Nov 6, 2012

In the News Alums

Alumna and trustee emerita Suzanne Wright '98 and her husband Bob Wright, founders of Autism Speaks, have received a Lifetime Achievement Award from *Greenwich Magazine* » [http://images.burrellesluce.com/image/21757A/21757A_4634] for the difference they have made in their community.

Bobby Elliott '11 writes about poet Rickey Laurentiis '11 on HuffingtonPost.com

Date: Nov 7, 2012

In the News Creative and Performing Arts Writing Writing Alums

Bobby Elliott '11 writes about poet and fellow alumnus Rickey Laurentiis '11 on [HuffingtonPost.com](http://www.huffingtonpost.com/bobby-elliott/rickey-laurentiis-poetry_b_2083726.html) » [http://www.huffingtonpost.com/bobby-elliott/rickey-laurentiis-poetry_b_2083726.html], sharing one of Laurentiis' newest poems "You Are Not Christ." Laurentiis was recently named a recipient of the 2012 Ruth Lilly Fellowship.

SLC is recipient of state funds for capital improvements

Date: Nov 8, 2012

News Release SLC

Sarah Lawrence College is pleased to announce the receipt of nearly \$.5 million from State of New York HECap (Higher Education Capital Matching Program) funds, allowing the completion of critical infrastructure improvements that would not otherwise have been possible. These include technology upgrades that have brought the College squarely into the 21st Century, dormitory renovations, and energy-saving retrofits.

"With private colleges enrolling an ever larger percentage of students with limited financial means, thus requiring that a growing percentage of our budgets be dedicated to financial aid, the importance of state support cannot be overstated," says Thomas Blum, vice president of administration. "Raising funds from both the private and public sectors is imperative in higher education today." The matching requirement for receiving HECap funds spurred a wide range of contributions to Sarah Lawrence and helped to diversify the College's pool of donors.

The HECap program not only directly benefited Sarah Lawrence and many other colleges, but also created jobs for thousands of New Yorkers and highlighted the economic and educational vitality of New York's private colleges and universities.

Dr. W. Ian Lipkin '74 featured on PBS' *The Secret Life of Scientists and Engineers*

Date: Nov 13, 2012

Buzz Science and Mathematics Alums

Microbe hunter W. Ian Lipkin '74, director of the Center for Infection and Immunity at Columbia University's Mailman School of Public Health, is featured on PBS' Emmy-nominated Web series *The Secret Life of Scientists and Engineers* » [<http://www.pbs.org/wgbh/nova/secretlife/scientists/ian-lipkin/>].

Women's volleyball captures 2012 Hudson Valley Women's Athletic Conference Championship

Date: Nov 14, 2012

Announcement SLC Students

Women's volleyball captures 2012 Hudson Valley Women's Athletic Conference Championship.

Allan Gurganus '72 writes about John Cheever in *The New York Review of Books*

Date: Nov 16, 2012

In the News Creative and Performing Arts Writing Writing Faculty Alums

Former writing faculty member and alumnus Allan Gurganus '72 writes about his friend and former teacher John Cheever in *The New York Review of Books* » [<http://www.nybooks.com/articles/archives/2012/nov/08/john-cheever-turns-100/?pagination=false>].

Equestrian team qualifies two riders for regional championship

Date: Nov 16, 2012

Announcement

Equestrian team qualifies two riders for regional championship

Joshua Langman '14 interviewed by TheaterMania.com about his Theater Outreach work

Date: Nov 26, 2012

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[TheaterMania.com](#) » [http://www.theatermania.com/london-theater/tmu/11-2012/theatre-outreach-for-at-risk-youth-_63819.html] interviews Joshua Langman '14 about his work with SLC's Theater Outreach program. Of the program, Langman says: "There are so many people who could benefit from seeing and participating in theater but who are unable to go to the theater—so outreach brings the theater to them."

SLC student athletes and staff participate in Strides for Sandy 5K fundraiser

Date: Nov 26, 2012

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SLC student athletes and staff participate in Strides for Sandy 5K fundraiser

Susan Sink MFA '91 shares stories of the Sisters of the Order of St. Benedict in new book

Date: Nov 26, 2012

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[Minnesota Public Radio](#) » [<http://minnesota.publicradio.org/display/web/2012/11/24/regional/saintben-poet/>] profiles Susan Sink MFA '91, who, in her latest book, *Habit*, shares the untold stories of the Sisters of the Order of St. Benedict in St. Joseph, Minnesota.

Politics faculty member Sam Abrams discusses the West Coast's Democratopolis in *The New York Times*

Date: Nov 28, 2012

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In *The New York Times* » [http://www.nytimes.com/2012/11/28/us/politics/in-washington-state-victory-with-8-of-39-counties.html?_r=0], Politics faculty member Sam Abrams is cited in an article on West Coast politics and that area's tendency to be a "Democratopolis."

Poet Rickey Laurentiis '11 wins 2013 fellowship from the National Endowment for the Arts

Date: Nov 28, 2012

In the News Creative and Performing Arts Writing Writing Alums

Rickey Laurentiis '11 has been awarded a 2013 fellowship from the National Endowment for the Arts, as reported by the *St. Louis Post-Dispatch* » [http://www.stltoday.com/entertainment/books-and-literature/book-blog/poet-here-gets-nea-grant/article_8fff0cf9-6dbf-512d-a626-b8eb5d027c3b.html]. Earlier this year, Laurentiis was one of five recipients of the 2012 Ruth Lilly Fellowship.

James Tynion IV '10 called "one of DC Comics' most promising new writers" by Newsarama.com

Date: Nov 30, 2012

In the News Creative and Performing Arts Writing Writing Alums

[Newsarama.com](http://www.newsarama.com/comics/james-tynton-future-of-talon.html) » [<http://www.newsarama.com/comics/james-tynton-future-of-talon.html>] highlights the work of James Tynion IV '10 on the new DC Comics title *Talon*, saying the comic "is giving James Tynion IV the chance to spread his wings as one of DC's most promising new writers." Tynion was a student of *Batman* writer Scott Snyder while at SLC, and has been co-writing the back-up stories in Snyder's *Batman* series and assisted on the *Batman Annual #1* earlier this year.

Writing Institute student Pamela Hart wins 2013 fellowship from the National Endowment for the Arts

Date: Nov 30, 2012

In the News Creative and Performing Arts Writing Writing CCE Students

Writing Institute student Pamela Hart is a recipient of the 2013 Literature Fellowship in Creative Writing (Poetry), awarded by the [National Endowment for the Arts](http://arts.gov/grants-individuals/creative-writing-fellowships) » [<http://arts.gov/grants-individuals/creative-writing-fellowships>].

Women's Swimming wins, Men's Swimming sets records at Drew University Ranger Invitational

Date: Dec 3, 2012

Announcement

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Ariana Peschke '15 named HVWAC Swimmer of the Week

Date: Dec 6, 2012

Announcement

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Associate Dean of Financial Aid and Admission Heather McDonnell helps students avoid scholarship scams on Interest.com

Date: Dec 6, 2012

In the News Staff

In an [Interest.com](http://www.interest.com/debt/advice/students-avoid-these-5-financial-aid-scams/) » [<http://www.interest.com/debt/advice/students-avoid-these-5-financial-aid-scams/>] article, Heather McDonnell, Associate Dean of Financial Aid and Admission, helps students identify potential scams and protect their personal information when applying for college scholarships.

Blogcritics.com reviews new album from Music faculty member Glenn Alexander

Date: Dec 6, 2012

In the News Creative and Performing Arts Music Faculty

[Blogcritic.com](http://blogcritics.org/music-review-scott-healylglenn-alexander-quartet/) » [<http://blogcritics.org/music-review-scott-healylglenn-alexander-quartet/>] reviews *Northern Light*, the new album from guitarist and Music faculty member Glenn Alexander and pianist Scott Healy. The review calls Alexander's guitar solos "intensely thoughtful" and the album full of "excellent music."

Film by Bernardo Ruiz '95 to premiere on PBS's "Point of View" in January

Date: Dec 10, 2012

In the News Creative and Performing Arts Filmmaking Visual Arts Alums

Reportero, a film by Bernardo Ruiz '95, will premiere on PBS as a special broadcast of POV (Point of View) on Monday, January 7, 2013, at 10 p.m. The film will then stream on POV's [Web site](http://www.pbs.org/pov/reportero) » [<http://www.pbs.org/pov/reportero>] from January 8 – February 7, 2013. The film tells the heroic and troubling story of Mexican newsweekly *Zeta* by following veteran reporter Sergio Haro and his colleagues.

Literature professor Nicolaus Mills looks back at the historic rivalries and profound friendships of Army-Navy football

Date: Dec 10, 2012

In the News Humanities Literature Faculty

In an article on [philly.com](http://articles.philly.com/2012-12-09/news/35690932_1_army-and-navy-players-army-navy-army-coach) » [http://articles.philly.com/2012-12-09/news/35690932_1_army-and-navy-players-army-navy-army-coach], Literature professor Nicolaus Mills looks back at the historic rivalries and profound friendships of past Army-Navy football games.

Writing faculty member Jo Ann Beard shares her experiences volunteering at an animal shelter in *More* magazine

Date: Dec 10, 2012

In the News Creative and Performing Arts Writing Writing Faculty

In an article in *More* » [http://images.burrellesluce.com/image/21757A/21757A_4710] magazine, Writing faculty member Jo Ann Beard shares her personal experiences volunteering with and advocating for the dogs at a local animal shelter.

Radio piece by Sarah Zolt-Gilburne '15 aired on Utah public radio

Date: Dec 12, 2012

In the News Creative and Performing Arts Writing Writing Students

"[Book Smellers Unite.](http://www.prx.org/pieces/87634-booksmellers-unite)" » [<http://www.prx.org/pieces/87634-booksmellers-unite>] a project by Sarah Zolt-Gilburne '15 for her [Writing, Radio, and Aurality](https://pending.sarahlawrence.edu/catalogue/writing/_archived/2012-2013/writing,-radio,-and-aurality.html) » [https://pending.sarahlawrence.edu/catalogue/writing/_archived/2012-2013/writing,-radio,-and-aurality.html] class, was aired in December by Utah public radio. In addition, "[First Kiss.](http://www.prx.org/pieces/87847)" » [<http://www.prx.org/pieces/87847>] by Carina Araujo-Lane '13, and "[Big Mirror Moment.](http://www.prx.org/pieces/88135)" » [<http://www.prx.org/pieces/88135>] by Jennifer Patten '15, also appear on the online Public Radio Exchange.

Basketball player Francis Oppong '13 named to Hudson Valley Men's Athletic Conference Honor Roll for second straight week

Date: Dec 13, 2012

Announcement

Basketball player Francis Oppong '13 has been named to the Hudson Valley Men's Athletic Conference Honor Roll for the second straight week.

Economics faculty member Kim Christensen joins economists' statement on housing on Truthout.org

Date: Dec 13, 2012

In the News History and the Social Sciences Economics Health Advocacy Faculty

Economics faculty member Kim Christensen is among a number of prominent economists lending their names to a statement on housing that appears on truth-out.org » [<http://truth-out.org/video/item/13287-economists-statement-on-housing>].

Human Genetics faculty member Laura Hercher weighs in on the business of personal genetics in *The Verge*

Date: Dec 13, 2012

In the News Science and Mathematics Human Genetics Faculty

Human Genetics faculty member Laura Hercher weighs in on the evolution of personal genetics company 23andMe in *The Verge* » [<http://www.theverge.com/2012/12/12/3759198/23andme-genetics-testing-50-million-data-mining>].

Sarah Lawrence College well represented in Golden Globe nominations

Date: Dec 14, 2012

Buzz Creative and Performing Arts Alums

Several members of the Sarah Lawrence community are among the 2013 [Golden Globe](http://www.goldenglobes.org/2012/12/nominations-2013/) » [<http://www.goldenglobes.org/2012/12/nominations-2013/>] nominations. Alumna Julianna Margulies is nominated for Best Performance by an Actress in a Television Series (Drama) for her role in *The Good Wife*.

Breaking Bad, on which Peter Gould '82 serves as writer and director and David Porter '94 serves as a composer, is nominated for Best Television Series (Drama). And *Silver Linings Playbook*, a film produced by Donna Gigliotti '76, is nominated for Best Motion Picture (Comedy).

Gail Twersky Reimer '72 receives American Jewish Distinguished Service Award

Date: Dec 18, 2012

[In the News](#) [Humanities](#) [History and the Social Sciences](#) [Alums](#)

Dr. Gail Twersky Reimer '72, Executive Director of the Jewish Women's Archive, was honored with the American Jewish Distinguished Service Award from [Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion](http://huc.edu/news/article/2012/gail-twersky-reimer-phd-receives-american-jewish-distinguished-service-award) » [<http://huc.edu/news/article/2012/gail-twersky-reimer-phd-receives-american-jewish-distinguished-service-award>].

Mary Griggs Burke '38, devotee of Japanese art dies at 96

Date: Dec 20, 2012

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Sarah Lawrence College alumna Mary Griggs Burke '38, devotee of Japanese art dies at 96. [Read her obituary on NYTimes.com](http://www.nytimes.com/2012/12/18/arts/design/mary-griggs-burke-collector-of-japanese-art-dies-at-96.html?_r=0&adxnnl=1&adxnnlx=1356015777-vUDPmFIQLWeiALPppitxAA) » [http://www.nytimes.com/2012/12/18/arts/design/mary-griggs-burke-collector-of-japanese-art-dies-at-96.html?_r=0&adxnnl=1&adxnnlx=1356015777-vUDPmFIQLWeiALPppitxAA]

SLC's Karen Lawrence joins other college presidents in calling for improved gun control

Date: Dec 20, 2012

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[University Business reports](http://www.universitybusiness.com/article/college-leaders-call-strict-gun-laws) » [<http://www.universitybusiness.com/article/college-leaders-call-strict-gun-laws>] on "An Open Letter to Our Nation's Policy Leaders" signed by President Karen Lawrence, among more than 160 college presidents, calling for stronger gun laws.

[Read the open letter here](http://collegepresidentsforgunsafety.oglethorpe.wpengine.com/) » [<http://collegepresidentsforgunsafety.oglethorpe.wpengine.com/>].

Rose Anne Thom featured in *Dance Teacher* magazine article on the study of dance history

Date: Jan 3, 2013

In the News Creative and Performing Arts Dance Dance Faculty

Dance faculty member Rose Anne Thom is featured in a *Dance Teacher* » [http://images.burrellesluce.com/image/21757A/21757A_4745] magazine article on the study of dance history. Thom is one of three dance faculty members to discuss their approaches to teaching this vast subject.

Artist and activist Hui Ling Lee '05 named to *The Edge Malaysia's* Power List

Date: Jan 3, 2013

In the News Creative and Performing Arts Visual Arts Alums

Artist and activist Hui Ling Lee '05, who recently held an exhibition entitled *Subterranea* » [<http://thestar.com.my/metro/story.asp?file=/2012/12/28/central/12504650>] at the Kuala Lumpur Performing Arts Centre, has been named to "The Edge Power List 2012," a list of "ordinary Malaysians doing extraordinary things" compiled by *The Edge Malaysia* » [<http://www.theedgemaalaysia.com/features/227897-the-edge-power-list-2012.html>].

Nasrene Haj '12 and Mila Pinigin '12 launch new art collective in Brooklyn

Date: Jan 3, 2013

In the News Creative and Performing Arts Theatre Visual Arts Writing Dance Writing Theatre Dance Alums

Nasrene Haj '12 and Mila Pinigin '12 recently launched The Creators Collective, an interdisciplinary art group; *The Brooklyn Daily Eagle & Daily Bulletin* » [http://images.burrellesluce.com/image/21757A/21757A_4746] reported on the Collective's opening night.

Tina Raye Dayton MFA '96 wins 10th annual Dogfish Head Poetry Contest

Date: Jan 3, 2013

In the News Creative and Performing Arts Writing Writing Alums

[Delaware Online](http://www.delawareonline.com/article/20130103/LIFE/301030010/A-poet-s-passion-validated?nclclick_check=1) » [http://www.delawareonline.com/article/20130103/LIFE/301030010/A-poet-s-passion-validated?nclclick_check=1] profiles Tina Raye Dayton MFA '96, winner of the 10th annual Dogfish Head Poetry Contest.

Visual Arts faculty member Patrick Downs' class included in *Washington Diplomat* article on innovative college courses

Date: Jan 3, 2013

In the News Creative and Performing Arts Visual Arts Faculty

"Dungeons, Dragons & Drama: The Tabletop RPG," taught by Visual Arts faculty member Patrick Downs, is included in a *Washington Diplomat* » [http://www.washdiplomat.com/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=8842:star-trek-to-springsteen-colleges-go-where-no-schools-gone-before&catid=1496&Itemid=428] article on innovative college courses. In the class, students create their own tabletop RPG (role-playing game), a genre that continues to heavily influence the video and online game industry.

College mourns the loss of Gerda Lerner, co-founder of Women's History graduate program

Date: Jan 4, 2013

In the News History and the Social Sciences Womens History Faculty

Gerda Lerner, a pioneer in the field of women's history and co-founder of the Women's History graduate program at Sarah Lawrence, passed away on January 2. In creating the graduate program—the first in the nation—*The New York Times* » [http://www.nytimes.com/2013/01/04/us/gerda-lerner-historian-dies-at-92.html?_r=0] says "Dr. Lerner set about trying to establish women's history as a respected academic discipline and to raising the status of women in the historical profession."

Writing faculty member Marek Fuchs' book on volunteer firefighting in America earns widespread praise

Date: Jan 4, 2013

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Local Heroes: Portraits of American Volunteer Firefighters, a new book from Writing faculty member Marek Fuchs, continues to get widespread praise from media outlets. *Parade* » [<http://www.parade.com/celebrity/news/2012/10/31-go-behind-the-scenes-with-volunteer-firefighters.html>] magazine calls the book "riveting," while *ABC News* » [<http://abcnews.go.com/blogs/headlines/2012/12/firefighter-portraits-as-local-heroes-by-ian-spanier/>] credits Fuchs' "lively text" with giving an in-depth look into the lives of the book's subjects. *The Daily Mail* » [<http://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-2254942/Volunteer-firefighter-portraits-men-Hastings-New-York-Sparta-Georgia.html>] (UK) calls the portraits in the book "quietly dignified."

The Austin Chronicle profiles songwriter and musician Curtis McMurtry '13

Date: Jan 8, 2013

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The Austin Chronicle » [<http://www.austinchronicle.com/blogs/music/2013-01-07/into-the-future-with-curtis-mcmurtry/>] profiles songwriter and musician Curtis McMurtry '13.

Women's history pioneer Dr. Gerda Lerner dies at age 92; annual Women's History Conference will remember her contributions

Date: Jan 8, 2013

News Release History and the Social Sciences History Womens History Faculty

Dr. Gerda Lerner, who established and served as the founding director of the College's graduate program in Women's History—the first graduate program of its kind in the nation—died at the age of 92 on January 2. This year the program celebrates its 40th anniversary and Dr. Lerner's legacy and those who followed in her footsteps promoting scholarship and activism.

In June, 2004, a State historic marker designating Sarah Lawrence College as the "Home of the Nation's First Graduate Degree Program in Women's History, founded by Dr. Gerda Lerner in 1972," was unveiled.

Dr. Lerner is widely acknowledged as one of the foremost pioneers in the field of women's history. Among her numerous achievements as director of the Sarah Lawrence program was hosting an historic 1979 Summer Institute in Women's History, organized with the Women's Action Alliance. It was there that Women's History Week (later to become Women's History Month) was launched. Most important, she created a field that boasts numerous programs at leading institutions of higher education throughout the country.

"She made it happen," said Alice Kessler-Harris, a history professor at Columbia, in an obituary in the *New York Times*. "She established women's history as not just a valid but a central area of scholarship. If you look at any library today, you will see hundreds of books on the subject."

Dr. Kessler-Harris will be the keynote speaker at the 2013 Annual Women's History Conference March 1 and 2 that will recognize the contributions of Dr. Lerner and another pioneer in women's history, Amy Swerdlow, who studied under Dr. Lerner and followed her as director of the program.

The Rumpus interviews Benjamin Samuel '07, co-editor of *Recommended Reading*

Date: Jan 9, 2013

In the News Creative and Performing Arts Writing Writing Alums

[The Rumpus](http://therumpus.net/2013/01/the-rumpus-interview-with-halimah-marcus-and-benjamin-samuel/) » [<http://therumpus.net/2013/01/the-rumpus-interview-with-halimah-marcus-and-benjamin-samuel/>] interviews Benjamin Samuel '07, co-editor of Electric Literature's *Recommended Reading*, which it calls "a strong example of why literature continues to thrive in the digital age."

Dania Abu-Shaheen '04 and Zilpha Starnes '05 profiled by *White Plains Patch*

Date: Jan 9, 2013

In the News Creative and Performing Arts Music Alums Staff

Dania Abu-Shaheen '04 and Zilpha Starnes '05, who make up the musical group Starnes&Shah, are profiled by the [White Plains Patch](http://whiteplains.patch.com/articles/starnes-shah-about-enjoying-the-music-people) » [<http://whiteplains.patch.com/articles/starnes-shah-about-enjoying-the-music-people>].

Kirkus Reviews interviews Patricia Dunn MFA '98, author of *Rebels by Accident*

Date: Jan 10, 2013

In the News Creative and Performing Arts Writing Writing CCE Alums Staff

[Kirkus Reviews](http://images.burrielsluce.com/image/21757A/21757A_4760) » [http://images.burrielsluce.com/image/21757A/21757A_4760] interviews Writing Institute instructor and Director of Graduate Support Services Patricia Dunn MFA '98, author of *Rebels by Accident*. In a related [review](http://www.kirkusreviews.com/book-reviews/patricia-dunn/rebels-by-accident/) » [<http://www.kirkusreviews.com/book-reviews/patricia-dunn/rebels-by-accident/>], Kirkus calls the book, "an excellent young-adult novel."

Stephen Ira '14 featured in *New York Times* article on Generation LGBTQIA

Date: Jan 11, 2013

In the News Students

In an article entitled, "Generation LGBTQIA," [The New York Times](http://www.nytimes.com/2013/01/10/fashion/generation-lgbtqia.html?hpw&_r=0) » [http://www.nytimes.com/2013/01/10/fashion/generation-lgbtqia.html?hpw&_r=0] cites a video made by Stephen Ira '14, calling it "a battle cry for a new generation of post-gay gender activists, for whom Stephen represents a rare public face."

Sara Wilford, Director of the Art of Teaching master's program, discusses transformations in teacher preparation in *The Journal News*

Date: Jan 15, 2013

In the News Art of Teaching Faculty

In *The Journal News*, Sara Wilford, Director of the [Art of Teaching master's program](#) » [<https://www.sarahlawrence.edu/teaching/index.html>], discusses transformations in teacher preparation, stating, "Teachers are always learning and especially with the big push by New York State for performance-based assessments. We're helping our future teachers prepare for this."

Human Genetics faculty member Laura Hercher writes about genetic testing in a *Wired* science blog

Date: Jan 16, 2013

In the News Human Genetics Faculty

In the *Wired* » [<http://www.wired.com/wiredscience/2013/01/the-case-for-paternalism-in-genetic-testing/>] science blog "Neuron Culture," Laura Hercher, a faculty member in the [Human Genetics master's program](#) » [<https://www.sarahlawrence.edu/genetic-counseling/index.html>], makes a case for selective paternalism in genetic testing.

Writer Francine Prose calls *In Zanesville* by Writing faculty member Jo Ann Beard a must read

Date: Jan 16, 2013

In the News Creative and Performing Arts Writing Writing Faculty

In an interview in *The New York Times* » [http://www.nytimes.com/2013/01/06/books/review/francine-prose-by-the-book.html?_r=1&], writer and president of PEN American Center Francine Prose lists Writing faculty member Jo Ann Beard's *In Zanesville* as a book she recommends to others as something they "must read."

Team of students to participate in Hult Prize Regional Final

Date: Jan 17, 2013

In the News History and the Social Sciences Students

A team of Sarah Lawrence College students has been selected to participate in the 4th Annual [Hult Prize](#) » [<http://www.hultprize.org/en/prize-2013/prize-2013/>] Regional Final in Boston. The team, comprised of Sachi

Shah '15, Jacqueline Assar '14, Maria Munoz '13, and captain Teresa Phiri '13, is one of 350 college groups competing in five regional competitions around the world. They are charged with creating a social venture that will craft a solution to the 2013 Hult Prize Challenge, which has been personally selected by President Bill Clinton around the theme of "The Global Food Crisis." The team will present their solution in Boston in early March, with the goal of becoming the winning regional team and moving on to the Hult Accelerator, a "world class center for innovation and entrepreneurship located in Boston."

Vulture.com interviews *Girls* executive producer Jenni Konner '94

Date: Jan 18, 2013

In the News Creative and Performing Arts Alums

New York magazine's [Vulture.com](http://www.vulture.com) » [<http://www.vulture.com/2013/01/grown-up-behind-girls-jenni-konner.html>] interviews *Girls* executive producer Jenni Konner '94 the day after the show's Golden Globe win for Outstanding Comedy Series.

Literature professor Nicolaus Mills cautions that voting rights are still vulnerable in a CNN opinion piece

Date: Jan 18, 2013

In the News Humanities Literature Politics Faculty

In a [CNN.com](http://www.cnn.com) » [http://www.cnn.com/2013/01/18/opinion/mills-mlk-day-selma/index.html?hpt=op_t1] opinion piece, Literature professor Nicolaus Mills, on the occasion of Martin Luther King, Jr.'s birthday, cautions that voting rights are still vulnerable today, just as they were in the 1960s.

Polling data analyzed by Politics faculty member Sam Abrams cited in *Jewish Journal*

Date: Jan 18, 2013

In the News History and the Social Sciences Politics Faculty

[JewishJournal.com](http://www.jewishjournal.com) » [http://www.jewishjournal.com/nation/article/economy_more_than_anything_drove_jewish_vote_poll_data_shows] reports on polling data analyzed by Politics faculty member Sam Abrams, which concludes that the economy was the strongest determinant for Jews who voted for Barack Obama in the 2012 presidential election.

Roberta Daskin, senior associate director of financial aid, offers advice to scholarship seekers in *USA Today*

Date: Jan 18, 2013

In the News Staff

In a [USA Today College](http://www.usatodayeducate.com/staging/index.php/toolbox/scholarship-advice-from-financial-aid-professionals) » [<http://www.usatodayeducate.com/staging/index.php/toolbox/scholarship-advice-from-financial-aid-professionals>] article on obtaining college scholarships, Roberta Daskin, senior associate director of financial aid, offers advice to prospective college students.

Sarah Lawrence alumni well represented in list of National Endowment for the Arts Literature Fellowship winners

Date: Jan 22, 2013

Buzz Creative and Performing Arts Writing Writing CCE Faculty Alums

Four Sarah Lawrence College alumni are among the winners of the 2013 Literature Fellowships for Creative Writing (Poetry) from the [National Endowment for the Arts](http://arts.gov/grants-individuals/creative-writing-fellowships) » [<http://arts.gov/grants-individuals/creative-writing-fellowships>]. The recipients are Traci Brimhall MFA '08, Ansel Elkins '05, Rickey Laurentiis '11, and [Writing Institute](https://www.sarahlawrence.edu/ce/writing-institute/index.html) » [<https://www.sarahlawrence.edu/ce/writing-institute/index.html>] faculty member Pamela Hart MFA '04.

Daniel Ross '13 interviews record-breaking jockey Rosie Napravnik in *The Guardian*

Date: Jan 25, 2013

Buzz Creative and Performing Arts Writing Writing Students

Daniel Ross '13 interviews record-breaking jockey Rosie Napravnik in [The Guardian](http://www.guardian.co.uk/sport/2013/jan/25/rosie-nappravnik-shanghai-bobby-kentucky-derby#start-of-comments) » [<http://www.guardian.co.uk/sport/2013/jan/25/rosie-nappravnik-shanghai-bobby-kentucky-derby#start-of-comments>]. Currently a senior at SLC, Ross was formerly a steeplechase jockey in the United Kingdom and an exercise rider around the world.

J.J. Abrams '88 tapped to direct next *Star Wars* movie

Date: Jan 25, 2013

In the News Creative and Performing Arts Filmmaking Alums

Media outlets such as [Newsday](http://www.newsday.com/news/hudson-buzz-1.3774483/j-j-abrams-reportedly-directing-next-star-wars-movie-1.4505092) » [<http://www.newsday.com/news/hudson-buzz-1.3774483/j-j-abrams-reportedly-directing-next-star-wars-movie-1.4505092>] report that producer-director J.J. Abrams '88, known for his hit television shows *Lost*, *Alias*, and *Fringe* and for directing the recent *Star Trek* movies, has been tapped to direct the next installment of the *Star Wars* franchise, scheduled for release in 2015.

Brian Morton '78, Director of the Graduate Writing Program, criticizes *Zero Dark Thirty* in *Dissent*

Date: Jan 28, 2013

Buzz Creative and Performing Arts Writing Writing Faculty Alums

In *Dissent* » [<http://www.dissentmagazine.org/blog/torture-as-a-growth-experience-zero-dark-thirty>], Brian Morton '78, Director of the [Graduate Writing Program](https://www.sarahlawrence.edu/writing-mfa/index.html) » [<https://www.sarahlawrence.edu/writing-mfa/index.html>], criticizes the film *Zero Dark Thirty* and its depiction of torture, calling it "a symptom of the damage done to our sensibilities by the 'War on Terror.'"

Narcopolis by Jeet Thayil MFA '00 wins DSC Prize for South Asian Literature

Date: Jan 28, 2013

Buzz Creative and Performing Arts Writing Writing Alums

The Times of India reports that *Narcopolis*, the debut novel by Jeet Thayil MFA '00, has won the DSC Prize for South Asian Literature. The novel was shortlisted for the Man Booker Prize in 2012.

Professional poker player Matt Matros MFA '04 likens the debt ceiling standoff to a poker game on CNN.com

Date: Jan 29, 2013

Buzz Creative and Performing Arts Writing Writing Alums

In a piece for [CNN Money](http://money.cnn.com/2013/01/22/news/economy/debt-ceiling-poker/) » [<http://money.cnn.com/2013/01/22/news/economy/debt-ceiling-poker/>], writer and professional poker player Matt Matros MFA '04 calls the government's current debt ceiling and budget standoff "the biggest poker game going."

Cellist Zoe Keating '93 speaks out on streaming music services in *The New York Times*

Date: Jan 29, 2013

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Cellist Zoe Keating '93 speaks out on streaming music services and their impact on artists' royalties in *The New York Times* » [http://www.nytimes.com/2013/01/29/business/media/streaming-shakes-up-music-industrys-model-for-royalties.html?pagewanted=1&_r=1&hp].

Women's swimming team wins fourth straight conference title

Date: Feb 5, 2013

[Announcement](#)

Securing its fourth-consecutive title, Sarah Lawrence College women's swimming triumphed at the 2013 Hudson Valley Women's Athletic Conference Swimming Championship

Attorney Barry Scheck of the Innocence Project to speak at SLC tonight

Date: Feb 7, 2013

[Announcement](#)

Attorney Barry Scheck of the Innocence Project to speak at SLC tonight

SLC faculty, staff, alumni, and students travel to Kathmandu, Nepal to make feature film

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Haley Robinson '15 blogs about teen dating violence on HuffingtonPost.com

Date: Feb 7, 2013

In the News Students

In a blog for [HuffingtonPost.com](http://www.huffingtonpost.com/haley-robinson/teen-dating-violence-awareness-month_b_2635623.html) » [http://www.huffingtonpost.com/haley-robinson/teen-dating-violence-awareness-month_b_2635623.html], Haley Robinson '15 discusses the issue of teen dating violence, and applauds the efforts of states like Oregon and Delaware, which now require the education of teen dating violence to be taught in all public schools.

Harrison Holmes '15 repeats as Hudson Valley Men's Athletic Conference Volleyball Player of the Week

Date: Feb 7, 2013

Announcement Students

Harrison Holmes named Hudson Valley Men's Athletic Conference (HVMAC) Volleyball Player of the Week.

History faculty member Komozi Woodard to speak at MoMA and New York Public Library

Date: Feb 7, 2013

In the News History and the Social Sciences History Womens History Faculty

On Friday, February 8, History faculty member Komozi Woodard will speak at a symposium entitled, "Now Dig This! Art and Black Los Angeles 1960–1980," at the [Museum of Modern Art](http://www.moma.org/visit/calendar/events/17134) » [<http://www.moma.org/visit/calendar/events/17134>]. He will also appear at the [New York Public Library](http://www.nypl.org/locations/tid/64/node/198364) » [<http://www.nypl.org/locations/tid/64/node/198364>] to launch a new adult education series, "Conversations in Black Freedom Studies," presented by Education at the Schomburg every first Thursday of the month.

Literature professor Nicolaus Mills reflects on Sylvia Plath's *The Bell Jar* on the anniversary of the author's death

Date: Feb 11, 2013

In the News Humanities Literature Faculty

In an article for [philly.com](http://www.philly.com/philly/opinion/inquirer/20130211_Women_don_t_have_to_settle.html) » [http://www.philly.com/philly/opinion/inquirer/20130211_Women_don_t_have_to_settle.html], Literature professor Nicolaus Mills commemorates the 50th anniversary of Sylvia Plath's death by reflecting on her breakthrough novel *The Bell Jar*.

Choreographer Jennifer Monson '83 profiled in *The New York Times*

Date: Feb 12, 2013

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The New York Times » [http://www.nytimes.com/2013/02/10/arts/dance/jennifer-monson-back-to-theater-with-live-dancing-archive.html?ref=dan&_r=0] profiles choreographer and performer Jennifer Monson '83, who founded the Interdisciplinary Laboratory for Art Nature and Dance, which helps facilitate cross-disciplinary research among artists, scientists, urban designers, and others with curious minds.

Actress Annette Bening speaks to students at Theatre program's Guest Artist Series

Date: Feb 13, 2013

[News Brief](#) [Creative and Performing Arts](#) [Theatre](#) [Theatre](#)

Four time Oscar-nominee Annette Bening spoke to SLC students at the most recent session of the Theatre program's Guest Artist Series.

Director David Rosenthal MFA '97 profiled by IndieWire

Date: Feb 13, 2013

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In an [IndieWire](#) » [<http://blogs.indiewire.com/thompsononhollywood/berlin-director-david-m-rosenthal-talks-backwoods-noir-a-single-shot-starring-rockwell-and-macy>] feature, director David Rosenthal MFA '97 talks about his new film, *A Single Shot*, which premiered in Berlin earlier this month.

Writing students in Melvin Jules Bukiet's fiction class collectively write novel to be published later this year

Date: Feb 14, 2013

[In the News](#) [Creative and Performing Arts](#) [Writing](#) [Writing](#) [Students](#) [Faculty](#)

[The New York Times](#) » [<http://cityroom.blogs.nytimes.com/2013/02/13/a-whodunit-thats-being-done-by-a-whole-class/>] "City Room" blog covers Melvin Jules Bukiet's Fiction Workshop, in which 12 students are collectively writing a novel, called *Naked Came the Post-Postmodernist*, to be published later this year. [USA Today](#) » [<http://www.usatodayeducate.com/staging/index.php/campuslife/8-really-unique-college-courses>] lists the course in an article entitled, "8 really unique college courses."

Rachel Feldman '76 to direct Lilly Ledbetter biopic

Date: Feb 15, 2013

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[Indiewire](#) » [<http://blogs.indiewire.com/womenandhollywood/rachel-feldman-to-direct-lilly-ledbetter-biopic>] reports that Rachel Feldman '76 has been chosen by Lilly Ledbetter to direct a biopic based on her life and her fight for equal pay for women.

Geoff Shullenberger '01 examines the rise of Massive Open Online Courses in *Dissent*

Date: Feb 18, 2013

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In a [Dissent](#) » [http://www.dissentmagazine.org/online_articles/the-mooc-revolution-a-sketchy-deal-for-higher-education] article entitled, "The MOOC Revolution: A Sketchy Deal for Higher Education," Geoff Shullenberger '01 examines the rise of Massive Open Online Courses and the implications for higher education.

Entrepreneurship immersion pilot program SLCeeds launches

Date: Feb 18, 2013

News Brief Humanities Creative and Performing Arts Science and Mathematics
History and the Social Sciences SLC

Sarah Lawrence College recently launched SLCeeds, an entrepreneurship immersion pilot program. Through SLCeeds, students have the unique opportunity to develop an entrepreneurial idea to pitch-readiness through a series of lectures, workshops, mentoring, live pitches, and a boot-camp designed to stimulate and mold ideas. The program will facilitate teams of students coalescing around business and/or social problems they are interested in solving. Projects can be for-profit, not-for-profit, or socially conscious in nature and can be an extension of previous or current conference work, or stem from individual interests.

On Tuesday, February 12, a group of students gathered for an Idea Generation Workshop, where they gained insight on innovation and creative thinking from guest speaker Richard Harriman, a social innovation and strategy master at Sinecticsworld.

Kirkus Reviews calls *Fools* by Writing faculty member Joan Silber a "thought-provoking collection"

Date: Feb 19, 2013

In the News Creative and Performing Arts Writing Writing Faculty

Kirkus Reviews » [http://images.burlesluc.com/image/21757A/21757A_4806] calls *Fools*, the forthcoming book of short stories by Writing faculty member Joan Silber, a "thought-provoking" and "worthwhile" collection."

Amanda Burden '76, NYC's director of city planning, interviewed on HuffingtonPost.com

Date: Feb 20, 2013

In the News Humanities History and the Social Sciences Creative and Performing Arts Science and Mathematics Alums

In her [HuffingtonPost.com](#) » [#] blog "Your Start-Up Life," Rana Florida interviews Amanda Burden '76, Chair of the New York City Planning Commission and Director of the Department of City Planning.

Scott Calvin's "Physicists Are People, Too" among Noodle.org's 10 Most Interesting College Courses

Date: Feb 20, 2013

In the News Science and Mathematics Physics Faculty

Physics faculty member Scott Calvin's First-Year Studies course "[Physicists Are People, Too](#)" » [<http://www.sl.c.edu/catalogue/natural-sciences-and-mathematics/physics/courses/2012-2013/primary/first-year-studies-physicists-are-people-too.html>] is among Noodle.org's [Top 10 Most Intersteting College Courses](#) » [<http://www.noodle.org/noodlings/college/top-10-most-interesting-college-courses>].

Lili Bordan '04

Date: Feb 25, 2013

In the News

The Los Angeles Times » [<http://herocomplex.latimes.com/tv/battlestar-galactica-blood-chrome-star-on-secret-cylon-agenda/#/1>] "Hero Complex" pop culture blog features Lili Bordan '04 and her role in the recent *Battlestar Galactica: Blood & Chrome*.

Michele Perkins '74 publishes new novel

Date: Feb 25, 2013

[In the News](#) [Creative and Performing Arts](#) [Writing](#) [Writing](#) [Alums](#)

[Acorn Online](#) » [<http://arts.hersamacorn.com/522/weston-authors-thriller-set-in-familiar-territory/>] profiles Michele Perkins '74, who recently self-published the novel *Deadly Play*.

SLC among 25 colleges with the best professors in new CCAP ranking

Date: Feb 25, 2013

[In the News](#) [Humanities](#) [Creative and Performing Arts](#) [History and the Social Sciences](#)
[Science and Mathematics](#) [SLC](#)

[CBS Money Watch](#) » [http://www.cbsnews.com/8301-505145_162-57570111/u.s.-colleges-with-the-best-professors/] reports that Sarah Lawrence College is among the 25 colleges with the best professors, according to a new ranking from the Center for College Affordability and Productivity.

Starting Out in the Evening, based on the novel by Brian Morton '78, director of the graduate writing program, cited in *New York Times* essay

Date: Feb 27, 2013

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In an essay for *The New York Times* » [http://www.nytimes.com/2013/02/24/books/review/nominations-for-best-film-about-a-writer.html?pagewanted=all&_r=1&], Roger Rosenblatt selects his three favorite movies about writers; among his choices are *Starting Out in the Evening*, based on the novel of the same name by Brian Morton '78, director of the [graduate writing program](#) » [<https://www.sarahlawrence.edu/writing-mfa/index.html>].

Work by Politics faculty member Elke Zuern among APCG Best Book Honorable Mentions

Date: Feb 27, 2013

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The Politics of Necessity: Community Organizing and Democracy in South Africa by Politics faculty member Elke Zuern was named a Best Book Honorable Mention by the [African Politics Conference Group](#) » [http://africanpoliticsgroup.org/wp/wp-content/uploads/2011/08/APCG_Newsletter_Feb2013.pdf].

Second annual Undergraduate Post-Colonial and Development Studies Conference to be held on March 8

Date: Mar 4, 2013

News Brief History and the Social Sciences Students

On Friday, March 8, from 10:30 a.m. - 5 p.m. on campus, students from Bard College, Brown University, Columbia University, Haverford College, Lewis & Clark College, Macalester College, New York University, Vassar College, and Sarah Lawrence College will present original research relating to ideas of development and post-colonialism at the second annual Undergraduate Post-Colonial and Development Studies Conference. The event will begin with a presentation by Economics faculty member Jamee Moudud entitled, "Social Democracy and Labor Relations." The day will conclude with a keynote address by Mandana Limbert, associate professor of anthropology at CUNY-Queens and author of *In the Time of Oil: Piety, Memory, and Social Life in an Omani Town*.

Associate Dean of Financial Aid and Admission Heather McDonnell offers FAFSA tips to students

Date: Mar 8, 2013

In the News Staff

On [AffordableCollegesOnline.org](http://www.affordablecollegesonline.org) » [<http://www.affordablecollegesonline.org>], Associate Dean of Financial Aid and Admission Heather McDonnell is among a panel of experts offering college applicants tips on filling out the FAFSA form.

Carmen Hall '16 and the Luck You Collective featured in *The New York Times*

Date: Mar 8, 2013

Buzz Humanities Creative and Performing Arts Students

The New York Times » [http://www.nytimes.com/2013/03/07/fashion/with-luck-you-collective-creative-class-is-in-session.html?_r=0] recently profiled the Luck You Collective, a group of 19- to 21-year-olds who organize art shows, run zine workshops, and bring together members of the downtown art world. Carmen Hall '16 is a member of the collective, which photographer David Mushegain describes as "the heart and soul of the young New York creative scene."

Choreographer Pam Tanowitz MFA '98 named Hodder Fellow

Date: Mar 8, 2013

In the News Creative and Performing Arts Dance Dance

[The Lewis Center for the Arts at Princeton University](http://www.princeton.edu/arts/lewis_center/society_of_fellows/fellows/13-14/) » [http://www.princeton.edu/arts/lewis_center/society_of_fellows/fellows/13-14/] has named choreographer Pam Tanowitz MFA '98 one of the four Mary MacKall Gwinn Hodder Fellows for the 2013-14 academic year. The Hodder Fellowship is awarded to people who "have demonstrated exceptional promise, but have not yet received widespread recognition" and is intended to "provide artists and humanists in the early stages of their career a period of 'studious leisure' to undertake significant new work."

Chris Hoffman '15 writes about alumna Cornelia Fort on HuffingtonPost.com

Date: Mar 11, 2013

In the News History and the Social Sciences Humanities Creative and Performing Arts
Science and Mathematics Alums Students

On [HuffingtonPost.com](http://www.huffingtonpost.com/chris-hoffman/cornelia-fort-who_b_2852476.html?utm_hp_ref=fb&src=sp&comm_ref=false) » [http://www.huffingtonpost.com/chris-hoffman/cornelia-fort-who_b_2852476.html?utm_hp_ref=fb&src=sp&comm_ref=false], Chris Hoffman '15 commemorates the interesting and impactful life of SLC alumna Cornelia Fort, who on March 21, 1943 became the first female pilot to die in the United States military.

Student groups urge blood donation policy change

Date: Mar 12, 2013

In the News Students

[EDGE Los Angeles](http://www.edgelosangeles.com/news/national//142376/healthy_gay_men_must_be_allowed_to_donate_blood_says_gmhc) » [http://www.edgelosangeles.com/news/national//142376/healthy_gay_men_must_be_allowed_to_donate_blood_says_gmhc] reports on a "We the People" petition launched by SLC's Student Life Committee and undergraduate Student Senate. The petition urges the Food and Drug Administration to reform its policy preventing healthy gay men from donating blood.

Steven Burke '90 receives Arts and Letters Award in Music

Date: Mar 12, 2013

In the News Creative and Performing Arts Music Alums

[The American Academy of Arts and Letters](http://www.artsandletters.org/press_releases/2013music.php) » [http://www.artsandletters.org/press_releases/2013music.php] has announced that Steven Burke '90 is a recipient of the Arts and Letters Award in Music, which "honors outstanding artistic achievement and acknowledges the composer who has arrived at his or her own voice."

Poet Ross Gay MFA '98 interviewed by Project Muse

Date: Mar 13, 2013

In the News Creative and Performing Arts Writing Writing Alums

[Project Muse](http://muse.jhu.edu/login?auth=0&type=summary&url=/journals/interdisciplinary_literary_studies/v015/15.1.davis.html) » [http://muse.jhu.edu/login?auth=0&type=summary&url=/journals/interdisciplinary_literary_studies/v015/15.1.davis.html] features an interview with poet Ross Gay MFA '98.

23 Gryphons named to All-Academic Teams

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Announcement Students

23 Gryphons named to All-Academic Teams.

Puppeteer Eric Wright '03 profiled by *Lincoln Journal Star*

Date: Mar 15, 2013

In the News Creative and Performing Arts Alums

The Lincoln Journal Star » [http://journalstar.com/news/local/cindy-lange-kubick-lincoln-high-grad-makes-a-living-making/article_527d52c1-e92a-528d-90e9-27a0fc5a0bf7.html] profiles puppeteer Eric Wright '03, who is currently teaching opera singers how to handle puppets for a New York City Opera performance of "Alice in Wonderland."

Wendolyne Sabrozo '14 quoted in article on The Dream is Now immigration project

Date: Mar 20, 2013

In the News Students

In an article in *The Daily News* » [<http://www.nydailynews.com/new-york/dream-film-inform-positive-immigrant-contributions-article-1.1293515>], Wendolyne Sabrozo '14 is cited as a college student trying to raise awareness for The Dream is Now, a project designed to "show young illegal immigrants' positive contributions to the U.S."

Literature faculty member Nicolaus Mills reflects on the Voting Rights Act in *Dissent*

Date: Mar 21, 2013

In the News History and the Social Sciences Humanities Politics Literature

In a *Dissent* » [<http://www.dissentmagazine.org/blog/forty-eight-years-after-selma-moving-backward-on-voting-rights>] article entitled, "Forty-Eight Years After Selma: The New Fight for Voting Rights," Literature faculty member Nicolaus Mills reflects on the Voting Rights Act as it was in 1965 and as it is today.

Literature faculty member Nicolaus Mills looks back on the start of the Iraq War on CNN.com

Date: Mar 21, 2013

[In the News](#) [Humanities](#) [History and the Social Sciences](#) [Literature](#) [Politics](#)

In a [CNN.com](#) » [<http://edition.cnn.com/2013/03/20/opinion/mills-truth-teller-iraq/index.html>] opinion piece, Literature faculty member Nicolaus Mills looks back on the 2003 start of the Iraq War and the role of then Army Chief of Staff Eric Shinseki.

Economics faculty member Jamee Moudud appears on RNN's *Richard French Live*

Date: Mar 22, 2013

[In the News](#) [History and the Social Sciences](#) [Economics](#) [Faculty](#)

Economics faculty member Jamee Moudud recently appeared on RNN's *Richard French Live* to discuss the battling budget plans released by Republicans and Democrats. Watch the episode: [Part 1](#) » [<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-htp5YRE0d8>] and [Part 2](#) » [<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Be-oyrE5bXM>].

Kim Rosen MFA '04 featured on CBC/Radio-Canada's *Sunday Edition*

Date: Mar 22, 2013

[In the News](#) [Creative and Performing Arts](#) [Writing](#) [Writing](#) [Alums](#)

Poet Kim Rosen MFA '04, author of *Saved by a Poem: The Transformative Power of Words*, is featured in an interview on CBC/Radio-Canada's *Sunday Edition* » [<http://www.cbc.ca/books/2013/03/the-healing-power-of-poetry.html>].

Harlem World lauds Paul Taylor Company dancer and preservationist Carolyn Adams '65

Date: Mar 25, 2013

[In the News](#) [Creative and Performing Arts](#) [Dance](#) [Dance](#) [Alums](#)

Harlem World profiles Carolyn Adams '65 in her careers as a dancer, educator and Harlem preservationist.

Politics professor Sam Abrams quoted in Bill Keller *NYTimes* op-ed

Date: Mar 25, 2013

In the News History and the Social Sciences Politics Faculty

In his *NYTimes* op-ed » [http://www.nytimes.com/2013/03/25/opinion/keller-states-gone-wild.html?ref=billkeller&_r=0], "States Gone Wild," Bill Keller cites politics professor Sam Abrams' explanation of the nature of state and local government.

SLC's graduation rate cited in Newsday

Date: Mar 25, 2013

In the News SLC Students

From *Newsday* » [<http://www.newsday.com/news/barnard-iona-among-private-hv-colleges-that-top-u-s-graduation-rate-1.4892941>]: Seven of the Hudson Valley's major private colleges -- including liberal arts institutions like Vassar, Sarah Lawrence and Bard -- boast an average graduation rate of 71 percent, well above the nationwide rate of 65 percent for peer institutions, according to new federal data.

Literature faculty member Nick Mills comments on the new film "Admission" in CNN.com

Date: Mar 29, 2013

In the News

Drawing upon his own experience serving on the Admission Committee at Sarah Lawrence, literature faculty member Nick Mills comments in his *CNN.com opinion piece* » [<http://edition.cnn.com/2013/03/26/opinion/mills-college-admissions/index.html>] on the exaggerations and overarching messages in the new Tina Fey film, "Admission."

Daniel Ross '13 profiles jockey Gary Stevens in *The Guardian*

Date: Apr 4, 2013

In the News Creative and Performing Arts Writing Writing Students

In an interview in *The Guardian* » [<http://www.guardian.co.uk/sport/2013/apr/03/gary-stevens-jockey-kentucky-derby>], Daniel Ross '13 profiles the comeback of renowned jockey Gary Stevens. Currently a senior at SLC, Ross was formerly a steeplechase jockey in the United Kingdom and an exercise rider around the world.

SLC named to President's Higher Education Community Service Honor Roll

Date: Apr 5, 2013

News Release

Sarah Lawrence College has been named to the 2013 President's Higher Education Community Service Honor Roll. This designation is the highest honor a college or university can receive for its commitment to volunteering, service-learning, and civic engagement. It is Sarah Lawrence College's first quest for a spot on the prestigious list.

The College's commitment to community work is given voice by President Karen Lawrence. In an address to community partners and local officials she said: "You help make available opportunities that allow our students to fulfill a very important part of our academic mission by providing much-needed public service, engaging students in such as areas as children and families, the environment, the arts...working together for the benefit of all. What our students gain from their work with you is integral to the work they do in the classroom."

In the last academic year, 421 Sarah Lawrence College students, approximately one-third of the student body, volunteered a total of 13,831 community service hours, assisting in various community programs while enhancing their academic work.

Community work occurred in several ways in the last academic year (2011-2012):

- Ten service-learning/community-based courses involved 110 students: Poverty in America: Integrating Theory, Research, Policy and Practice; Making History of Non-Western Art History: Africa, Oceania, and the Americas; From the Plantation to the Prison: Criminal Justice Policies; The Offensive Against Civil Rights: Crime Policy and Politics; Poet as World Citizen; Latino Crossings; Teaching Conference in Dance; Studying Men and Masculinity; Governing through Drugs: Narco-Security and Development in Latin America; and Theatre Outreach
- Two "days of service," where 114 students helped agencies by painting classrooms, weeding gardens, and playing memory games with the elderly
- An Alternative Spring Break provided eight students the chance to participate in a Habitat for Humanity "build"
- Seven year-long student-led initiatives involved 95 students
- Twenty students volunteered in agencies to pursue their own interests as varied as different methods of teaching and learning to exploring museum education to assisting immigrants with learning English
- America Reads/America Counts at six agencies with 74 work-study students serving approximately 950 children in local schools and afterschool programs was supported through the College's Office of Financial Aid

The Office of Community Partnerships (OCP) supports faculty with teaching resources, stipends for service-learning course development, a database of partner agencies, and monthly discussions to share teaching strategies about community-based work. The OCP helps students with transportation and maintains data on service work completed.

[The President's Higher Education Community Service Honor Roll](http://www.nationalservice.gov/about/initiatives/honorroll.asp) » [<http://www.nationalservice.gov/about/initiatives/honorroll.asp>] honors the nation's leading higher education institutions and their students, faculty, and staff for their commitment to bettering their communities through service. Inspired by the thousands of college students who traveled across the country to support relief efforts along the Gulf Coast after Hurricane

Katrina, the Corporation for National Community Service has administered the award since 2006 and manages the program in collaboration with the US Department of Education, the US Department of Housing and Urban Development, the American Council on Education, and Campus Compact.

Students compete in Hult Prize regional finals

Date: Apr 5, 2013

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Inspired by their Economics course, Social Entrepreneurship: Models for Intervention in Global Poverty, and encouraged by their teacher, Catherine Muther '69, five SLC students, Teresa Phiri '13, Jackie Assar '14, Maria Munoz '13, Jeamme Chia '13 and Sachi Shah '15 entered the prestigious Hult Prize competition, a start-up accelerator for social entrepreneurship, gaining a place in the Boston regional finals. Though their project, "Aquasol, Addressing Food Insecurity in Urban Slums," did not win, the five-student team was one of only three undergraduate teams in a field of 70. Many of the competing teams were from top MBA programs, including Harvard and the regional finalist, McGill Business School. Worldwide there were 10,000 applicants, representing 350 colleges and universities, competing in five regional finals.

The project promotes the use of aquaponics, a combination of fish culture and hydroponics to grow vegetables. It employs a shareholding business model that would empower groups of residents in poverty stricken areas to implement, manage, and master the technology so that they can benefit from the results of their investments and labor themselves, growing food for their own consumption and selling it to others. The plan also calls for the residents to teach the technology to others.

Working on the project outside of class, the students researched aquaponics systems in the US and Germany, and conducted field research at a farm about a half-hour upstate from the College. They received support in various ways from members of the College's faculty and administration. Their teacher, Cate Muther, brought not only expertise but inspiration to their work. She herself put theory to practice, having founded with personal capital the Three Guineas Fund, which creates social change by investing in economic opportunity for women and girls.

The future of the students' project includes entering other competitions, seeking to generate funds to implement aquaponics system locally.

Writing faculty member Scott Snyder to pen new Superman title for DC Comics

Date: Apr 5, 2013

In the News Creative and Performing Arts Writing Writing Faculty

The Los Angeles Times » [<http://herocomplex.latimes.com/comics/superman-unchained-scott-snyder-jim-lee-want-to-knock-you-over/#/0>] reports that Writing faculty member Scott Snyder will write *Superman Unchained* for DC Comics. The comic, which is scheduled to hit stores on June 12, will be drawn by renowned artist and DC Comics co-publisher Jim Lee.

Star Trek director J.J. Abrams '88 profiled by Zimbio

Date: Apr 8, 2013

In the News Creative and Performing Arts Filmmaking Alums

Zimbio.com profiles producer-director J.J. Abrams '88, whose latest project, *Star Trek Into Darkness*, is scheduled for release in May.

Director of Community Partnerships and Service Learning Mara Gross honored by YWCA

Date: Apr 8, 2013

In the News Staff

The Journal News » [<http://www.lohud.com/article/20130405/NEWS/304050057/Yonkers-YWCA-honor-four-local-women?gcheck=1>] reports that Mara Gross, the director of SLC's Community Partnerships and Service Learning » [<https://www.sarahlawrence.edu/studentlife/community-partnerships/index.html>] program, will be honored by the Yonkers YWCA at its “Spirit of a Woman Awards.” The annual event recognizes women and organizations for “exceptional leadership in advocating for women’s rights and empowerment” in Westchester County and New York City.

Associate Dean of Financial Aid and Admission Heather McDonnell offers advice to students in *U.S. News and World Report*

Date: Apr 11, 2013

In the News Staff

In a *U.S. News & World Report* » [<http://www.usnews.com/education/best-colleges/paying-for-college/articles/2013/04/11/5-questions-to-ask-about-financial-aid-award-letters>] article, Associate Dean of Financial Aid and Admission Heather McDonnell advises students making their college choice to ask certain questions when reviewing the financial aid offers from each school.

Bryan Collinsworth '05 quoted in *New York Times* article on research universities

Date: Apr 11, 2013

Buzz Science and Mathematics Alums

Bryan Collinsworth '05, executive director of Universities Allied for Essential Medicines, comments in *The New York Times* » [http://www.nytimes.com/2013/04/09/health/universities-get-middling-grades-in-helping-poor.html?_r=0] on his organization's recent report card evaluating major research universities.

Vera Wang '71 to deliver 85th Commencement address at Sarah Lawrence College

Date: Apr 12, 2013

News Release Alums SLC

Fashion icon Vera Wang will deliver the 85th [Commencement](https://www.sarahlawrence.edu/news-events/commencement/index.html) » [<https://www.sarahlawrence.edu/news-events/commencement/index.html>] address to the Sarah Lawrence College Class of 2013 on Friday, May 24, at 10 a.m. on the College's southern Westchester County campus. "Vera Wang, a 1971 graduate of the College, is one of the most influential designers in the fashion world today," says Sarah Lawrence College President Karen Lawrence. "We are delighted that she will deliver the commencement address at Sarah Lawrence, which has always nurtured individual voices and entrepreneurial spirits." President Lawrence will preside at the commencement of approximately 330 graduating seniors and 125 students receiving their master's degrees. Echoing a 2000 alumni citation of achievement awarded to Ms. Wang, President Lawrence says, "Sarah Lawrence teaches students to be fearless and creative, and Vera Wang's position in the world of fashion certainly demonstrates that."

A native New Yorker, Wang became the youngest-ever fashion editor and stylist at *Vogue*, where she remained for 16 years before moving to Ralph Lauren as a design director. In 1990, she opened her first flagship store on Manhattan's Madison Avenue, introducing fashion to the bridal industry with revolutionary designs and refined detailing. Since then, she has expanded her collections to include ready-to-wear, footwear, eyewear, fragrance, flowers, china and crystal, silver and gifts, bedding, fine papers, and her first book, *Vera Wang on Weddings*. 2010 marked Vera Wang's 20th anniversary as a brand, a celebration of two decades spent at the forefront of fashion.

Also at the commencement ceremonies, President Lawrence will present an honorary Doctor of Humane Letters degree to Joan Cannady Countryman '62, recognizing her 11 years of service to the College as a member of the Board of Trustees and her notable accomplishments in her professional life.

Countryman was head of Lincoln School, a Quaker K-12 school for girls in Providence, RI, until her retirement in 2005. From August 2006 until March 2007 she was a consultant and interim head of the Oprah Winfrey Leadership Academy for Girls in South Africa. A former teacher of mathematics, she has written extensively on issues of race, gender, and the teaching of mathematics. She was a member of the board of managers of Haverford College, among other board positions concerned with education, health, and women's issues. An early advocate for civil rights, she publicly credits Sarah Lawrence for her later involvement in the movement. Countryman received a master's degree from Yale University, and she studied at the London School of Economics as a Fulbright Scholar.

Cathy Lee Crane '90 and Alec Soth '92

Date: Apr 15, 2013

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Poet Ross Gay MFA '98, composer Kati Agócs '98, filmmaker Cathy Lee Crane '90, and photographer Alec Soth '92 are among the 175 scholars, artists, and scientists in the United States and Canada to receive a [2013 Fellowship](http://www.gf.org/news-events/2013-Fellows-in-the-United-States-and-Canada/) » [<http://www.gf.org/news-events/2013-Fellows-in-the-United-States-and-Canada/>] from the John Simon Guggenheim Memorial Foundation. The Fellows, appointed on the basis of prior achievement and exceptional promise, were chosen from a group of almost 3,000 applicants.

Work by Trevor Wallace '13 featured in *New York Times* Education Life feature

Date: Apr 15, 2013

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In a *New York Times* » [<http://www.nytimes.com/slideshow/2013/02/03/education/edlife/20130203PHOTOBOOTH-10.html>] Education Life slideshow entitled, "Class Assignments," Trevor Wallace '13 showcases a sculpture he created out of found objects on Goree Island.

Alumna Julianna Margulies featured in *Good Housekeeping* cover story

Date: Apr 17, 2013

[In the News](#) [Creative and Performing Arts](#) [Alums](#)

Alumna Julianna Margulies appears in a *Good Housekeeping* » [http://images.burrellesluce.com/image/21757A/21757A_4896] cover story, in which she discusses her time at Sarah Lawrence, her career, and her family.

Sarah Lawrence Athletics to join Skyline Conference

Date: Apr 17, 2013

[Announcement](#)

Sarah Lawrence Athletics will join the Skyline Conference.

Writing faculty member Mary Morris contributes essay to *Good Housekeeping*

Date: Apr 17, 2013

In the News Creative and Performing Arts Writing Writing Faculty

In the May 2013 issue of *Good Housekeeping* » [http://images.burrellesluce.com/image/21757A/21757A_4897], Writing faculty member Mary Morris contributes an essay about her European travels with her mother.

Literature professor Nicolaus Mills admires the promise of SLC's admitted students in *The Philadelphia Inquirer*

Date: Apr 19, 2013

In the News Humanities Creative and Performing Arts Writing Literature Faculty

In a *Philadelphia Inquirer* » [http://www.philly.com/philly/opinion/inquirer/20130419_The_promising_Class_of_2017.html] opinion piece, Literature professor Nicolaus Mills applauds the promise, talent, and compassion of Sarah Lawrence College's admitted students.

Men's Tennis sweeps Hudson Valley Men's Athletic Conference awards

Date: Apr 19, 2013

Announcement Students

Men's Tennis sweeps HVMAC awards

Faculty member Scott Calvin shares a new approach to teaching physics with *Physics Today*

Date: Apr 19, 2013

In the News Science and Mathematics Physics Faculty

Physics faculty member Scott Calvin contributed an essay to *Physics Today* » [http://www.physicstoday.org/daily_edition/points_of_view/a_new_approach_to_teaching_physics] in which he shares information on his SLC classes "Rocket Science," "Crazy Ideas in Physics," and "Steampunk Physics," which are designed to put this branch of science in an engaging, multidisciplinary context.

The Telegraph profiles fashion designer Gaby Basora '94

Date: Apr 22, 2013

In the News Creative and Performing Arts Alums

The Telegraph » [<http://fashion.telegraph.co.uk/columns/lisa-armstrong/TMG10006470/Lessons-from-the-stylish-Gaby-Basora.html>] (UK) profiles Gaby Basora '94, the founder and designer of Tucker, a small label known for its one-shape-flatters-all blouses and blouse/dresses.

Theatre and Dance faculty member Dan Hurlin wins Rome Prize

Date: Apr 23, 2013

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Dan Hurlin, a member of the Theatre and Dance faculty and director of the Graduate Program in Theatre, where he teaches dance composition and puppetry, has been awarded a coveted 2013-14 Rome Prize in the visual arts from the American Academy in Rome.

Hurlin is the recipient of the Jesse Howard, Jr. Rome Prize, one of four in the visual arts category. The Rome Prize is awarded annually to approximately 30 individuals who represent the highest standard of excellence in the fields of ancient, medieval, Renaissance and early modern, and modern Italian studies, literature, music composition, visual arts, architecture, landscape architecture, design, and historic preservation and conservation, following a national competition, presided over by rotating independent juries of peers in each discipline.

Prize recipients are invited to the Academy in Rome, a center for the arts and the humanities, considered to be the premier American overseas center for independent study and advanced research.

Beginning in September, Hurlin will spend 11 months developing a puppet project using Futurist performance texts (Sintesi), manifestos, and visual art. He will create miniature versions of the Sintesi, which are short, forceful plays designed to create the maximum effect with a minimum of language and time. Still in its beginning stages, "the work involves about a dozen toy-theatres, constructed to look like Futurist buildings. The plays will be performed simultaneously, in one large room, in homage to the Futurists' love of the Variety Theatre and their obsessions with simultaneity and chaos," he says.

Hurlin, a Sarah Lawrence alumnus, has long been the recipient of numerous awards, among them a 1990 Village Voice OBIE award for his solo adaptation of Nathanael West's "A Cool Million," and a 2001 New York Dance and Performance award for his suite of puppet pieces "Everyday Uses for Sight Nos. 3 & 7." In 1998, he was nominated for an American Theater Wing Design award for his set design for his music theater piece "The Shoulder." His large puppet piece "Hiroshima Maiden" premiered at St. Ann's Warehouse and was awarded a Union Internationale de la Marionette citation of excellence. His most recent piece, "Disfarmer," also premiered at St. Ann's Warehouse and was the subject of David Soll's 2011 documentary "Puppet."

Recipient of individual artist fellowships from the National Endowment for the Arts, the New Hampshire State Council on the arts, New York Foundation for the Arts, and Creative Capital, Hurlin was the director of the Puppet Lab at St. Ann's Warehouse for nine years, served on the board of the Jim Henson Foundation, and currently serves on the board of the MacDowell Colony. In addition to the Rome Prize for visual art, Hurlin was also the recipient of a 2003 John Simon Guggenheim Foundation fellowship for choreography, the 2004 Alpert Award in the Arts for theatre, and the 2009 United States Artists Prudential Fellow in Theatre.

NUVO.net interviews author Ann Patchett '85

Date: Apr 24, 2013

In the News

[NUVO.net](http://www.nuvo.net/indianapolis/interview-novelist-and-bookseller-ann-patchett/Content?oid=2577935#.UXf6UYU-NLp) » [<http://www.nuvo.net/indianapolis/interview-novelist-and-bookseller-ann-patchett/Content?oid=2577935#.UXf6UYU-NLp>] interviews Ann Patchett '85, author of six novels and a champion of the independent bookstore community.

Carol Christ, member of the Board of Trustees, to receive honorary degree from Worcester Polytechnic Institute

Date: Apr 24, 2013

Buzz Administration

[Worcester Polytechnic Institute](http://www.wpi.edu/news/20123/2013comm.html) » [<http://www.wpi.edu/news/20123/2013comm.html>] has announced that Carol Christ, President of Smith College and a member of the Sarah Lawrence College Board of Trustees, will receive an honorary degree at their commencement ceremony this year.

TMCnet.com interviews Michael Richardson MFA '03, inventor of timeline software product Timeglider

Date: Apr 24, 2013

In the News Science and Mathematics Alums

[TMCnet.com](http://technews.tmcnet.com/news/2013/04/23/7083069.htm) » [<http://technews.tmcnet.com/news/2013/04/23/7083069.htm>]'s "Tech News" section interviews Michael Richardson MFA '03, who conceived the idea for his Timeglider timeline software while a graduate student at Sarah Lawrence.

Sara Smith-Sell '13 leads group of Yonkers teens on trip to Fire Island to assist with post-Hurricane Sandy clean up

Date: Apr 24, 2013

In the News Students

Sara Smith-Sell '13, an intern in Groundwork Hudson Valley's Get Fresh Yonkers program, recently accompanied a group of Yonkers high school students to Fire Island, where they assisted with the ongoing efforts to restore and clean up the area that was hard hit by Hurricane Sandy.

Daytime Emmy-winning actress Hillary B. Smith '79 interviewed by *Edge New York*

Date: May 1, 2013

In the News Creative and Performing Arts Theatre Theatre Alums

Edge New York » [<http://www.edgenewyork.com/index.php?ch=entertainment&sc=television&sc2=features&sc3=&id=144021>] interviews Daytime Emmy-winning actress Hillary B. Smith '79, widely known for her roles as Dixie and Nora on the soap operas *All My Children* and *One Life To Live*, respectively.

Producer-writer-director J.J. Abrams '88 to receive 2013 International Emmy Founders Award

Date: May 2, 2013

In the News Creative and Performing Arts Writing Theatre Filmmaking Writing

BroadwayWorld.com » [<http://tv.broadwayworld.com/article/JJ-Abrams-to-Receive-2013-International-EMMY-Founders-Award-20130501>] reports that television and film producer-writer-director J.J. Abrams '88 will receive the 2013 International Emmy Founders Award. The award "recognizes an individual who crosses cultural boundaries to touch our common humanity."

SLC joins forces with Yonkers' Hudson River Valley Environmental Education Institute

Date: May 2, 2013

In the News History and the Social Sciences Science and Mathematics Creative and Performing Arts Humanities SLC

On Wednesday, May 1, President Karen Lawrence announced a new partnership between Sarah Lawrence College and Yonkers' Hudson River Valley Environmental Education Institute. The Institute is the umbrella name for programs at the Beczak Environmental Education Center on Alexander Street. As part of the partnership, the College will create a Center for the Urban River, a one-of-a-kind research facility along the Hudson River where students can conduct studies and get an up close look at nature. *Yonkers Daily Voice* » [<http://yonkers.dailyvoice.com/news/sarah-lawrence-beczak-join-forces-environmental-education>] and *The Journal News* » [<http://www.lohud.com/apps/pbcs.dll/article?AID=2013305050075>] featured stories on the partnership.

The Business of Fashion profiles Vera Wang '71; Wang will deliver this year's Commencement address

Date: May 2, 2013

Buzz Creative and Performing Arts Alums

The Business of Fashion » [<http://www.businessoffashion.com/2013/04/first-person-vera-wang.html>] profiles fashion icon Vera Wang '71. Wang will deliver the keynote address at this year's Commencement ceremony.

Writing faculty member and State Poet of New York Marie Howe interviewed by *On Being*

Date: May 3, 2013

Buzz Creative and Performing Arts Writing Writing Faculty

Writing faculty member and State Poet of New York Marie Howe appears in a 90 minute video interview on [OnBeing.org](http://www.onbeing.org/program/the-poetry-of-ordinary-time-with-marie-howe/feature/in-the-room-with-marie-howe-video/5391) » [<http://www.onbeing.org/program/the-poetry-of-ordinary-time-with-marie-howe/feature/in-the-room-with-marie-howe-video/5391>].

The Los Angeles Review of Books calls Alex Dimitrov MFA '09 a vital new energy in American poetry

Date: May 6, 2013

In the News Creative and Performing Arts Writing Writing Alums

The Los Angeles Review of Books » [<http://lareviewofbooks.org/review/doing-it-ruthlessly-and-all-the-time-alex-dimitrovs-begging-for-it#article-text-cutpoint>] reviews *Begging for It*, the first full-length collection of poems by Alex Dimitrov MFA '09. The *Review* calls Dimitrov "a vital new energy in American poetry."

Brian Morton '78, Director of the Graduate Writing Program, writes about Proust in *The New York Times*

Date: May 6, 2013

In the News Creative and Performing Arts Writing Writing Faculty Alums

Brian Morton '78, Director of the Graduate Writing Program, recently contributed an article on Proust to *The New York Times* » [http://www.nytimes.com/interactive/2013/05/02/books/proust-project.html?ref=books&_r=1&#/morton#williams1].

Sarah Lawrence College establishes Center for the Urban River at Beczak Environmental Education Center

Date: May 8, 2013

News Release History and the Social Sciences Science and Mathematics SLC

Sarah Lawrence College and the Hudson River Valley Environmental Education Institute (HRVEEI) announced on May 1 an alliance that will establish The Sarah Lawrence College Center for the Urban River at the Beczak Environmental Education Center in Yonkers. Central to the Center will be a field station, the first academic research facility in Yonkers beyond the College's campus.

"Today we announce an exciting development that builds on the long-standing connections between the College and the Yonkers community, community organizations, and official agencies," said Sarah Lawrence College President Karen Lawrence at a press conference.

"Our faculty and students will have the opportunity to study and conduct research on the ecology of the Hudson River and the newly "daylighted" Saw Mill River; collaborate with local environmental organizations, including Groundwork Hudson Valley and the Greyston Community Gardens, where many of our students intern or volunteer; and participate in academic studies of the Hudson River beyond our own community," said Lawrence. "We are fortunate to have the support of a member of our Board of Trustees, Vicki Ford, and her husband Si, who have made it financially possible for us to begin this alliance and commit to planting this stake here in the Yonkers downtown."

"This location on the Hudson, with its access to the river and wetlands marsh, will be an extraordinary resource for the College's faculty and students and their academic partners," said Jerrilynn Dodds, dean of the College. "In addition to research in the sciences, social sciences, and other disciplinary areas, the alliance will greatly enhance the scholastic foundation of environmental education instruction at the Beczak center and the Kathryn Davis Riverwalk, programmed by staff of HRVEEI," she said. The College plans the following academic initiatives:

- On-site, fieldwork laboratory research opportunities for SLC students in soil and water analysis, collection, preservation of biological samples, and wide-ranging projects centered on the ecology of the lower Hudson River
- Data analysis and statistical research instruction and opportunities, including involvement in a Hudson River consortium tracking key Hudson River data
- A semester of Service and Learning in Yonkers, with its Center at the SLC Center for the Urban River
- Summer research in Ecology and Environmental Science, of particular value for SLC students seeking further understanding and depth in those fields and those intending to produce publishable research
- Writing on the Environment
- The River Journal—an online publication highlighting the research findings of students and faculty working at the Center and other writing focused on issues relevant to Yonkers and surrounding communities

Sarah Lawrence students will also participate in the continuing work of the Beczak Center, including educational outreach concerning the environment to K-12 students in the Yonkers community and beyond.

Commenting for HRVEEI, Board Chair Rochelle Odessser said: "We at Beczak are really looking forward to the affiliation with Sarah Lawrence and believe that this collaboration can expand the programs that are

provided to a wider audience, as well as developing more comprehensive programs for the groups we already serve. I want to thank those that blazed this trail, especially our former executive director, Cliff Schneider, for initiating the discussions that brought the organizations together."

Alumna and journalism pioneer Barbara Walters announces 2014 retirement

Date: May 13, 2013

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The New York Times » [http://www.nytimes.com/2013/05/13/business/media/barbara-walters-to-announce-2014-retirement-on-the-view.html?ref=arts&_r=0] reports that alumna Barbara Walters, a groundbreaking pioneer in television and journalism, has announced her plans to retire in 2014.

The New York Times profiles choreographer Pam Tanowitz MFA '98

Date: May 13, 2013

[In the News](#) [Creative and Performing Arts](#) [Dance](#) [Dance](#) [Alums](#)

The New York Times » [http://www.nytimes.com/2013/05/12/arts/dance/the-spectators-by-pam-tanowitz.html?pagewanted=all&_r=0] profiles choreographer Pam Tanowitz MFA '98 and her upcoming dance "The Spectators."

Trevor Wallace '13 appears on *The Late Show with David Letterman*

Date: May 13, 2013

[Buzz](#) [History and the Social Sciences](#) [Science and Mathematics](#) [Creative and Performing Arts](#)
[Humanities](#) [Students](#)

Trevor Wallace '13 recently appeared on *The Late Show with David Letterman* » [http://www.cbs.com/shows/late_show/video/qcyvFyh_c8T4I2ta00I2v_tEOZhijZbz/david-letterman-top-ten-reasons-i-ve-decided-to-become-a-teacher/]. Wallace, who will be working with Teach for America after graduation, participated in the episode's Top Ten list.

Julian Bonte-Friedheim '15 writes about Italian soccer in *The Wall Street Journal*

Date: May 15, 2013

Buzz Humanities Literature Students

Julian Bonte-Friedheim '15 co-authored an article on the soccer team from Sassuolo, Italy, in *The Wall Street Journal* » [<http://online.wsj.com/article/SB10001424127887323716304578480952805568148.html>]. Bonte-Friedheim hails from Italy and plays on the Sarah Lawrence soccer team.

Wall Street Journal, NPR feature folk singer Sam Amidon '04

Date: May 20, 2013

Buzz Creative and Performing Arts Music Alums

Folk singer Sam Amidon '04, who has a new album out entitled *Bright Sunny South*, is featured in an article in *The Wall Street Journal* » [<http://online.wsj.com/article/SB10001424127887324063304578523763265309382.html>] and on *NPR's Morning Edition* » [<http://www.npr.org/2013/05/17/184547006/sam-amidon-reshaping-an-american-folk-tradition>].

The New York Times features new book on WWII by historian Mary Louise Roberts MA '80

Date: May 21, 2013

Buzz History and the Social Sciences Creative and Performing Arts History Writing Womens History Alums

The New York Times » [http://www.nytimes.com/2013/05/21/books/rape-by-american-soldiers-in-world-war-ii-france.html?_r=1&adxnnl=1&pagewanted=all&adxnnlx=1369159595-uef8PNAwiHXee5Zxe+JOA&] Books section features an article on *What Soldiers Do: Sex and the American G.I. in World War II France* by historian Mary Louise Roberts MA '80, an alumna of the *Women's History* » [<https://www.sarahlawrence.edu/womens-history/index.html>] graduate program.

Corporate governance expert Nell Minow '74 quoted in *Fortune* magazine

Date: May 21, 2013

[Buzz](#) [History and the Social Sciences](#) [Humanities](#) [Alums](#)

Nell Minow '74, one of the leading experts in America on corporate governance, is quoted in a *Fortune* » [<http://money.cnn.com/2013/05/06/leadership/boardroom-party-over.pr.fortune/index.html>] magazine article entitled, "Inside the Boardroom: The Party is Over."

Vera Wang '71 addresses Class of 2013; photos, videos, media clips available on Commencement site

Date: May 24, 2013

[Announcement](#)

Vera Wang '71 addresses Class of 2013 at Commencement

Rahm Emanuel '81 featured in *Time* and *New York Times* Magazine articles

Date: Jun 4, 2013

[In the News](#) [History and the Social Sciences](#) [Politics](#) [Alums](#)

Both a *Time* » [http://images.burrellesluce.com/image/21757A/21757A_4974] cover story and a *New York Times* » [http://www.nytimes.com/2013/06/02/magazine/how-chicagos-housing-crisis-ignited-a-new-form-of-activism.html?ref=magazine&_r=0] Magazine article take an in depth look at the current state of Chicago and its mayor, Rahm Emanuel '81.

Alumnae/i awards represent high level of achievement and service

Date: Jun 11, 2013

News Release Alums

Achievement and Service awards were bestowed upon two Sarah Lawrence alumnae/i at the College's annual reunion on June 8.

For her caring concern for others and her dedication to the College, **Marjorie Leff Miller '53**, was honored with the Alumnae/i Citation for Service.

Miller has given generously of herself to Sarah Lawrence. She was a member of the Alumnae/i Association Board of Directors for three years and the Board of Trustees for eight. She has been an honorary trustee since 2008. She established the Marjorie Leff Miller Faculty Scholar in Music, currently held by Martin Goldray, and has supported *The Fund for Sarah Lawrence* and the Child Development Institute. Along with her husband Morgan, whom she met while a student at the College, Miller most recently funded the renovation of Titsworth Lecture Hall, which has been renamed in her honor.

Marjorie Miller has dedicated her life to her family and to the helping professions and volunteerism. After graduating from Sarah Lawrence, she worked as an early childhood teacher and consultant, then served as director of the Westchester Ethical Society Nursery School. She returned to school to pursue an MS in Special Education from the College of New Rochelle and an MSW from Columbia University. Upon becoming a clinical social worker, she served as a therapist and Employee Assistance Program facilitator for the Westchester Jewish Community Services.

An active volunteer throughout her life, Miller was a member of the Federation of Jewish Philanthropies Westchester Women's Board, served the Scarsdale schools for 17 years, and has supported the Westchester Reform Temple in various capacities, including trustee and president, for nearly 30 years. Most recently she was named to the Board of Governors of Hebrew Union College—Jewish Institute of Religion.

For his success and influence as a designer and entrepreneur, **Sam Edelman '73** was honored with the Alumnae/i Citation for Achievement.

For nearly 30 years, women the world over have sought out his Sam & Libby and Sam Edelman brand names, and he's known as one of the world's trendsetting shoe designers. His shoes have been featured on TV actresses Sofia Vergara in *Modern Family* and Shay Mitchell in *Pretty Little Liars*, and many of today's celebrities include Edelman's shoes in their wardrobes. In 2009, *Footwear News* Achievement Awards selected his company as their Brand of the Year.

After graduating from Sarah Lawrence, Edelman got his start working for Esprit de Corps, for whom he developed one of the great junior footwear brands of the 1980s. He later worked with the Ralph Lauren Corporation and Candies and co-founded Kenneth Cole Productions. In 1987, he launched the eponymous Sam & Libby with his wife and partner, selling ballet-style flats, and the two quickly became shoe celebrities.

Nine years later, they sold Sam & Libby and took some time off to focus on breeding and training horses on their farm. Edelman's tenacity was tested when he was seriously injured in a riding accident; despite a dire prognosis, he rehabilitated himself. When he and Libby returned to the fashion industry in 2004 with their new company, Sam Edelman, Edelman found himself building brand recognition from scratch, filling a niche for high fashion shoes at affordable prices and eventually expanding their line into clothing and accessories. They recently sold the company; however, Edelman remains at the helm.

The Web site fora.tv calls Edelman “a creative visionary in the footwear industry” and “a dominant force in fashion, making an indelible impact on some of the most renowned and contemporary footwear brands over the past 30 years.”

The Lone Ranger screenwriter Justin Haythe MFA '99 featured in *The Wall Street Journal*

Date: Jun 11, 2013

[In the News](#) [Creative and Performing Arts](#) [Writing](#) [Writing](#) [Alums](#)

Justin Haythe MFA '99, who wrote the screenplay for the upcoming film *The Lone Ranger*, is featured in a [Wall Street Journal](#) » [http://images.burrellesluce.com/image/21757A/21757A_4981] article on Hollywood icons.

The New York Times remembers photographer Abigail Heyman '64

Date: Jun 11, 2013

[In the News](#) [Creative and Performing Arts](#) [Photography](#) [Alums](#)

[The New York Times](#) » [<http://www.nytimes.com/2013/06/09/arts/design/abigail-heyman-feminist-photojournalist-dies-at-70.html?adxnnl=1&ref=obituaries&adxnnlx=1370973197-DVSo1BYjJUxvmFHHWyGhNA>] remembers photographer Abigail Heyman '64, who passed away on May 28.

Early Childhood Center students graduate

Date: Jun 12, 2013

News Release History and the Social Sciences Child Development Art of Teaching ECC SLC

Unlike many students attending the countless graduation ceremonies being held across the country, the 11 students of Sarah Lawrence's Early Childhood Center (ECC) who graduated on Thursday, June 6, have their academic careers very much before them.

"I look upon it as a graduation celebration. It's been a great year and I can't believe we're at the end of it," said Sonna Schupak, lead teacher for 5 and 6 year olds at the ECC. "With this ceremony, the children have a voice and a sense of ownership of the year."

In caps they made themselves and with diplomas similarly self-styled, the 11 kindergarteners and first graders each wrote and gave speeches. The children signed the words as they spoke. The children also performed a medley of songs, including "You've Got a Friend in Me," The Alphabet Song, and "This Old Man"—again, with signed accompaniment.

Sign language was a major part of the children's curriculum this year. Schupak said that as the children's curriculum changes with every year so, too, does the graduation ceremony, which is designed to showcase aspects of their classroom experiences.

"Every year the graduation is specifically designed for the particular group of children," said Schupak. "It's evolved over the years as I bring different aspects of the world into my classroom."

For some of the children, the hardest part of the ceremony was the realization that it was time to wave goodbye to their classmates. "I'm going to miss my friends the most," said Aurelia Beck, 6, who added that her favorite part of the year had been learning about birds. "They're so lucky because they've got wings and they can fly away from danger."

The children's graduation ceremony has been part of the ECC at Sarah Lawrence for more than 20 years—a result of the children annually bearing witness to the pomp and pageantry of the graduation proper at the College.

According to Lorayne Carbon, director of the ECC, the integral relationship between the ECC and Sarah Lawrence College's undergraduate and graduate programs enriches the learning experience for students at both ends of the age spectrum.

"The lab school aspect of the ECC makes us unique," said Carbon. "Sarah Lawrence College students help us a lot in the classroom. And we find that the more ears and the more eyes there are, the better the overall experience for the children."

The retrospective slant of the ECC's graduation ceremony wasn't lost on the parents who attended. "It was adorable," said Hilary Lane, whose five year-old son, Andrew, graduated. "It really was a demonstration of what the kids learned this past year."

Aaron Mattocks '02 featured in *Dance Magazine*

Date: Jun 13, 2013

In the News Creative and Performing Arts Dance Dance Alums

Freelance dancer Aaron Mattocks '02 is featured in a [Dance Magazine](http://www.dancemagazine.com/issues/June-2013/When-Should-You-Dance-for-Free) » [http://www.dancemagazine.com/issues/June-2013/When-Should-You-Dance-for-Free] article dealing with the question of when dancers should and should not work for free.

Literature professor Nicolaus Mills looks back on JFK's "Ich bin ein Berliner" speech 50 years later

Date: Jun 19, 2013

In the News History and the Social Sciences Humanities Literature Politics

In a [CNN.com](http://www.cnn.com/2013/06/18/opinion/mills-jfk-berlin-speech/index.html?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=feed&utm_campaign=Feed%3A+rss%2F cnn_latest+%28RSS%3A+Most+Recent%2Fdisqus-area) » [http://www.cnn.com/2013/06/18/opinion/mills-jfk-berlin-speech/index.html?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=feed&utm_campaign=Feed%3A+rss%2F cnn_latest+%28RSS%3A+Most+Recent%2Fdisqus-area] opinion piece, Literature professor Nicolaus Mills reflects on the 50th anniversary of President John F. Kennedy's famous 1963 speech in West Berlin.

The Washington Post profiles AFI Docs director Sky Sitney '95

Date: Jun 19, 2013

In the News Creative and Performing Arts Alums

[The Washington Post](http://www.washingtonpost.com/lifestyle/style/sky-sitney-keeps-afi-docs-on-an-even-keel/2013/06/18/0ee396da-d826-11e2-a9f2-42ee3912ae0e_story_1.html) » [http://www.washingtonpost.com/lifestyle/style/sky-sitney-keeps-afi-docs-on-an-even-keel/2013/06/18/0ee396da-d826-11e2-a9f2-42ee3912ae0e_story_1.html] profiles Sky Sitney '95, the longtime director of AFI Docs.

The Village Voice profiles defense lawyer David Miranda '98

Date: Jun 20, 2013

In the News Alums

[The Village Voice](http://www.villagevoice.com/2013-06-19/news/david-miranda/) » [http://www.villagevoice.com/2013-06-19/news/david-miranda/] profiles David Miranda '98, a lawyer with the Bronx Defenders, a nonprofit that provides counsel to defendants unable to afford a private attorney.

Nancy Cantor '74 to be named chancellor of Rutgers University's Newark campus

Date: Jun 20, 2013

[In the News](#) [Alums](#)

Nancy Cantor '74, the outgoing chancellor and president of Syracuse University, will be named the chancellor of Rutgers University's Newark campus, according to an article on [NJ.com](http://www.nj.com/news/index.ssf/2013/06/syracuse_u_chancellor_nancy_cantor_to_be_named_new_rutgers-newark_head.html) » [http://www.nj.com/news/index.ssf/2013/06/syracuse_u_chancellor_nancy_cantor_to_be_named_new_rutgers-newark_head.html].

Physics faculty member Scott Calvin publishes eBook collection of first-year student essays

Date: Jun 25, 2013

[In the News](#) [Science and Mathematics](#) [Physics](#) [Faculty](#) [Students](#)

Physics faculty member Scott Calvin has published an [eBook of autobiographical essays](http://astore.amazon.com/sarahlawrenceauthors-20/detail/B00DJJB076) » [<http://astore.amazon.com/sarahlawrenceauthors-20/detail/B00DJJB076>] written by some of his past first-year students. The book currently sits at #53 in the "humorous essays" category in the Amazon Kindle store.

Writing faculty member Joan Silber interviewed on NextAvenue.org

Date: Jun 26, 2013

[In the News](#) [Creative and Performing Arts](#) [Writing](#) [Writing](#)

[NextAvenue.org](http://www.nextavenue.org/article/2013-06/authors-words-joan-silber) » [<http://www.nextavenue.org/article/2013-06/authors-words-joan-silber>] features an interview with Writing faculty member Joan Silber.

Gary Evans to give talk on the Environment of Childhood Poverty

Date: Jul 3, 2013

News Release CDI SLC

"The Environment of Childhood Poverty" is the focus of this year's [Thomas H. Wright Lecture](#) » [https://www.sarahlawrence.edu/cdi/events/Thomas_H_Wright_Lecture.html] at Sarah Lawrence College on Monday, July 15, to be delivered by Gary W. Evans, PhD. The talk will focus on much of Evans' work over the past two decades examining how the accumulation of psychological and physical risk factor exposures among children influences their development. The lecture begins at 4:30 p.m. in the Donnelley Theatre located in the Heimbold Visual Arts Center. An informal reception will follow.

Gary Evans is the Elizabeth Lee Vincent Professor of Human Ecology at Cornell University. Evans has continuous extramural funding for his research beginning with a National Science Foundation Dissertation Fellowship. He has received numerous teaching awards, including the 1997 EDRA Career Award and is past-president of the Division of Environmental Psychology of the International Association of Applied Psychology. Gary Evans is the author of over 250 scholarly articles and book chapters, and has published five books. He has done post-doctoral work in psychoneuroendocrinology at the Karolinska Institute in Stockholm and on human development at Cornell University with help from a Senior National Research Award from the National Institute of Child Health and Development.

The annual Thomas H. Wright lectures are organized by the Sarah Lawrence College Child Development Institute in conjunction with the Empowering Teachers Program. The event is free and open to the public. Registration is requested. Please RSVP to the Child Development Institute at cdi@sarahlawrence.edu » [<mailto:cdi@sarahlawrence.edu>] or (914) 395 2630. For more information, please visit the [Child Development Institute site](#) » [<https://www.sarahlawrence.edu/cdi/index.html>].

Literature professor Nicolaus Mills examines the Supreme Court's ruling on the Voting Rights Act

Date: Jul 9, 2013

[In the News](#) [Humanities](#) [History and the Social Sciences](#) [Literature](#) [Politics](#) [Faculty](#)

In an article for *Dissent* » [http://www.dissentmagazine.org/online_articles/voting-rights-the-court-takes-a-page-from-1883], Literature professor Nicolaus Mills examine's the recent Supreme Court ruling on the Voting Rights Act of 1965.

New Women's Soccer and Volleyball coaches appointed; fall sports schedule available at gogryphons.com

Date: Jul 16, 2013

[Announcement](#)

New Women's Soccer and Volleyball coaches appointed; fall sports schedule available at gogryphons.com

Faculty member Matthea Harvey shares poem on PBS NewsHour

Date: Jul 16, 2013

[In the News](#)

Writing faculty member Matthea Harvey reads her poem "Using a Hula Hoop Can Get You Abducted By Aliens" on [PBS NewsHour](#) » [<http://www.pbs.org/newshour/art/blog/2013/07/weekly-poem-using-a-hula-hoop-can-get-you-abducted-by-aliens.html>].

Literature professor Nicolaus Mills blogs about the Affordable Care Act on HuffingtonPost.com

Date: Jul 19, 2013

[In the News](#) [Humanities](#) [Literature](#)

In a [HuffingtonPost.com](#) » [http://www.huffingtonpost.com/nicolaus-mills/roosevelt-and-the-afforda_b_3600103.html] blog entry, Literature professor Nicolaus Mills writes about President Obama and the Affordable Care Act, likening the current situation to one involving President Franklin Roosevelt and the Social Security Act of 1935.

Jennifer Monson '84 and Aaron Mattocks '02 nominated for Bessie Awards

Date: Jul 23, 2013

[Buzz](#) [Creative and Performing Arts](#) [Dance](#) [Dance](#)

[BroadwayWorld.com](#) » [<http://broadwayworld.com/article/2012-2013-Bessie-Award-Nominees-Announced-Ceremony-Set-for-107-20130718>] reports that Jennifer Monson '84 and Aaron Mattocks '02 are nominated for Bessie Awards in the category of Outstanding Performer. The Bessies, formally known as The New York Dance and Performance Awards, are New York City's premier dance awards honoring outstanding creative work in the field.

Geography faculty member Joshua Muldavin comments on world hunger in CNBC article

Date: Jul 23, 2013

[In the News](#) [History and the Social Sciences](#) [Geography](#) [Faculty](#)

In an article featured on [CNBC.com](#) » [<http://www.cnbc.com/id/100893540>], Geography faculty member Joshua Muldavin comments on world hunger, saying that the issue is not a lack of food but rather that "a lot of people aren't analyzing the situation correctly."

Author A.M. Homes '85 wins prestigious Women's Fiction Prize

Date: Jul 24, 2013

[In the News](#) [Creative and Performing Arts](#) [Writing](#) [Writing](#) [Alums](#)

Author A.M. Homes '85 received the prestigious Women's Fiction Prize for her sixth and most recent novel *May We Be Forgiven*.

Amy Lifson MA '12 and Vicki Breitbart of the Health Advocacy Program cited in article on medical costs

Date: Jul 24, 2013

[In the News](#) [Health Advocacy](#) [Alums](#) [Faculty](#)

Alumna Amy Lifson MA '12 and director Vicki Breitbart '63 of the [Health Advocacy graduate program](#) » [<https://www.sarahlawrence.edu/public-health-advocacy/index.html>] are cited in a [Journal News](#) » [<http://www.lohud.com/apps/pbcs.dll/article?AID=2013307200073>] article on medical costs.

Nurse Jackie's Merritt Wever '02 nominated for Emmy award

Date: Jul 24, 2013

In the News

The Journal News » [http://images.burrellesluce.com/image/21757A/21757A_5029] reports that Merritt Wever '02 has been nominated for an Emmy award in the category of Outstanding Supporting Actress in a Comedy for her work on the Showtime series *Nurse Jackie*.

Anita Silvers '62 and Eva Kittay '67 honored for academic contributions

Date: Aug 2, 2013

In the News Humanities Philosophy

San Francisco State University » [<http://news.sfsu.edu/philosophy-chair-honored-academic-contributions>] professor and chair of philosophy Anita Silvers '62 and Stony Brook University professor of philosophy Eva Kittay '67 have been named inaugural recipients of the Martin R. Lebowitz and Eve Lewellis Lebowitz Prizes for Philosophical Achievement and Contribution.

Literature faculty member Nicolaus Mills discusses reputation vs. merit in publishing in a *Dissent* article

Date: Aug 2, 2013

In the News Humanities Literature Alums

In a *Dissent* » [<http://www.dissentmagazine.org/blog/j-k-rowling-chapter-two>] article prompted by the revelation that J.K. Rowling is the author of a novel previously attributed to a new author, Literature faculty member Nicolaus Mills discusses reputation vs. merit in the publishing industry.

Nicole Boxer MS '12 featured in *Westchester Magazine* article on genetic testing

Date: Aug 2, 2013

In the News Science and Mathematics Human Genetics Alums

Genetic counselor Nicole Boxer MS '12, an alumna of the [Human Genetics graduate program](#) » [<https://www.sarahlawrence.edu/genetic-counseling/index.html>], is featured in a [Westchester Magazine](#) » [http://images.burrellesluce.com/image/21757A/21757A_5043] article that shares five facts about genetic testing.

Martha Levytsky '14 wins Critic's Choice award in Bridgestone Teens Drive Smart Video Contest

Date: Aug 6, 2013

In the News Creative and Performing Arts Filmmaking Students

Martha Levytsky '14 won the Critic's Choice award in the [Bridgestone Teens Drive Smart Video Contest](#) » [<http://www.teensdrivesmart.com/video-contest/previous-winners/times-not-to-text-critics-choice>]. Her video, "Times Not to Text," takes a comedic look at the absurdity of texting while driving.

Yonkers Rising covers SLC's summer Science Research Program for high school students

Date: Aug 6, 2013

In the News Science and Mathematics SLC

[Yonkers Rising](#) » [http://images.burrellesluce.com/image/21757A/21757A_5045] reports on SLC's annual summer Science Research Program. This fully funded week-long program invites 10 Yonkers high school students to campus to engage in college-level science research work.

Marguerite Bennett MFA '13 pens story for *Batman Annual* #2

Date: Aug 8, 2013

In the News Creative and Performing Arts Writing Writing Alums

[ComicBookResources.com](#) » [<http://www.comicbookresources.com/?page=article&id=47140>] interviews Marguerite Bennett MFA '13, who co-plotted and scripted the story for *Batman Annual* #2 with series architect and Sarah Lawrence Writing faculty member Scott Snyder.

Director named to Sarah Lawrence College Center for the Urban River

Date: Aug 9, 2013

News Release SLC

Sarah Lawrence College has announced the appointment of Ryan Palmer as Director of the Sarah Lawrence College Center for the Urban River at Beczak. In May the College entered into an alliance with the Hudson River Valley Environmental Education Institute, which has operated the Beczak Environmental Education Center on the banks of the Hudson River in downtown Yonkers. The collaboration enables the College to establish a research field station and facilitate faculty and student research while continuing environmental education programming about the river for school and community groups.

In making the announcement, college President Karen Lawrence praised Palmer as an experienced professional in Hudson River environmental planning, policy, and education. He has had a long affiliation with Clearwater, most recently as director of the organization's Green Cities Initiative. "In a search in which we considered several highly qualified candidates, Ryan stood out for his knowledge of ecology, the geographic region, the community of environmental organizations, and his commitment to the Hudson River, watershed protection, education, and urban community outreach," said Lawrence.

Plans for the Center include student and faculty research in Ecology and Environmental Studies, and academic work in multiple fields in the downtown Yonkers location. Sarah Lawrence students will also intern as instructors of environmental science on site for K-12 students, providing support for the existing education programs staff, explained Dean of the College Jerrilynn Dodds. "And, we are looking forward to participating in the large family of Hudson River organizations, advocating for the river, for its communities, and the environment," she said.

The Sarah Lawrence College Center for the Urban River at Beczak was made possible by a seed grant from college Trustee Vicki Ford and her husband Silas of Bronxville.

Palmer's appointment at the SLC Center for the Urban River at Beczak begins on August 19.

Geography faculty member Joshua Muldavin featured in *Atlantic* article on world hunger

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In an article in *The Atlantic* » [<http://www.theatlantic.com/international/archive/2013/08/why-we-cant-count-on-the-test-tube-burger-to-solve-world-hunger/278516/>], Geography faculty member Joshua Muldavin shares his thoughts on the causes of and solutions for food insecurity around the world.

SLC among 25 Most Literary Colleges in America

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Sarah Lawrence was named one of *Flavorwire's* » [<http://flavorwire.com/409437/the-25-most-literary-colleges-in-america>] "25 Most Literary Colleges in America."

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In an article on *babycenter.com* » [http://www.babycenter.com/0_guide-to-great-playdates_66614.bc], Sara Wilford, director of the [Art of Teaching graduate program](https://www.sarahlawrence.edu/teaching/index.html) » [<https://www.sarahlawrence.edu/teaching/index.html>], offers advice to parents on setting up successful playdates for their children.