



Wellesley College Club of Los Angeles



Dear [first_name],

We are excited to have so many WCLA events coming up!

Madeleine Albright '59 will be at the Frost Auditorium in Culver City on Wednesday, February 6 to discuss her new book, *Facism: A Warning*. We are very excited that Ms. Albright will be in town. LA Talks (the event host) will reserve seats for Wellesley alums and provide a special intro. Please click [here](#) to register. Please note that this event is not sponsored by the Wellesley Club of Los Angeles. Tickets need to be purchased from LA Talks.

Wellesley in Entertainment (WIE) has created an afternoon with filmmaker Meera Menon for their annual fundraiser for their Screenwriting Competition for Wellesley Seniors. You can register [here](#).

Young Alums! The [monthly lunch](#) will be in Silver Lake this Saturday, February 2! Plus check out the annual InterIvy+ Mammoth Ski Trip on the weekend of February 8!

WAPA goes to the Impro Theatre on February 9!

We've had a great response to a docent tour arranged by Wellesley Friends of Art and the Cambridge Club of the [Outliers and American Vanguard Art exhibit at LACMA](#) on Saturday, February 23. We are seeing if LACMA will provide another docent for the tour so that we can accomodate a larger group. Please sign up for the waitlist [here](#). There is no charge for the tour.

Thanks to all who joined the Nancy Hammerman event on January 27. Please stay tuned for the next Career Transitions Group "in conversation with" event in March.

Also, we learned that [Hillary and Bill Clinton will be at the Forum on May 4](#). We're looking into seeing if we can put together a club event. If anyone has a connection with Hillary, please let us know!

We hope to see you at an event soon! Please contact us with any suggestions or questions: WCLosAngeles@alum.wellesley.edu.

Your WCLA Board

Upcoming Events

Events below are listed in chronological order

Young Alum Brunch - The Kitchen, Silverlake



Instead of a monthly lunch, we are going to change venues and opt for brunch every other month. Join us in Silverlake at [The Kitchen](#).

Date: Saturday, February 2, 2019

Time: 12:00pm

Location: 14348 Fountain Ave, Los Angeles, CA 90029

Please contact [Rachel Thommen](#) if you would like to join so she can know how many seats to save!

An Evening with Madeleine Albright '59



LA Talks is sponsoring Ms. Albright's talk on #1 *New York Times* bestseller, *Fascism: A Warning*, a personal and urgent examination of Fascism in the 20th century and how its legacy shapes today's world. *Note: this event is not affiliated with the Wellesley Club of Los Angeles*

Date: Wednesday, February 6, 2019

Time: 8:00pm

Location: Frost Auditorium, 4401 Elenda Street, Culver City, CA 90230

Price: \$25 General Admission;

\$42 General Admission + signed book;

\$100 Pre-Reception (6:30-7:30) + Signed Book.

Tickets: You must purchase tickets on the LA Talks Website [here](#).

****After purchasing your ticket, please [register your attendance on the WCLA website](#) so that we can coordinate reserved seats together for Wellesley alums.**

Parking: Lasuen Street, Roth Way, and Galvez Lot; parking is free weekdays after 4:00 pm

Event details: Click [here](#)

Questions?: Please contact WCLosAngeles@alum.wellesley.edu

Interlvy+ Mammoth Trip

Get ready for a fun-filled weekend of snow sports at Mammoth Mountain with alums and friends. This trip is for adults of all skill levels. Last year the group included downhill skiers, cross country skiers, snowboarders, and snowshoers. The trip sold out with 48 attending. We had 26 women and 22 men. Fifteen schools were



represented: Caltech, Columbia, Cornell, Harvard, MIT, Princeton, RPI, UC Berkeley, UC San Diego, UCLA, UC Irvine, UC Santa Barbara, Wellesley, and Yale.

Check out the Facebook page for more information:

[Interlvy+ Mammoth Trippers](#)

For all information and registration visit the [MIT SoCal site](#).

Date: Friday, February 8 - Sunday, February 10, 2019

Cost: \$409 if you register before 1/2/2019; \$469 after (pricing does not include rental costs or lift tickets)

Questions? Email [Michal Clements](#), Inverlvy Organizer and UPenn Alum

Wellesley In Entertainment's 2019 Screenwriting Competition Fundraiser: In Conversation: Filmmaker Meera Menon with Michelle Lirtzman '09



Meera Menon is a Jersey-born, LA-based filmmaker whose directing credits include the feature films EQUITY (2016 Suncance Film Festival) and FARAH GOES BANG (Nora Ephron Prize winner, 2013 Tribeca Film Festival) and television shows such as GLOW, HALT AND CATCH FIRE, THE

MAGICIANS, MAN IN THE HIGH CASTLE, THE WALKING DEAD, and SNOWFALL. Her conversaiton with Wellesley alum and TV writer Michelle Lirtzman (SCANDAL, FOR THE PEOPLE) will be a look into the world of film and TV, a discussion of craft, and a reflection on making art in 2019. This is our third year for the screenwriting competition, which offers the winning senior a trip to LA and three days of meetings with industry professionals.

Date: Saturday, February 9th

Time: 3 to 4 PM, followed by a social hour

Location: The Rita House, 5971 W 3rd St., Los Angeles, CA 90036

Price: \$20

[Click here to purchase tickets!](#)

Questions: Please contact wellesleyinentertainment@gmail.com

*All proceeds support the screenwriting competition. If the cost of a ticket causes undue financial burden, contact us and we will find a solution which supports the fundraiser and allows you to attend

Wellesley Alum Pride Alliance (WAPA) Shakespeare Improv Play

Join WAPA for an improv play! "The women of Shrew weave bold and hilarious tales full of heart and mischief in the style of William Shakespeare. Each show is a complete play, fully improvised using the language, tropes, and themes of the bard. With their own modern feminine voice, and some inspiration from the audience, the Shrews strive to delight and inspire people of all ages."



You can either just join us for the 9:00pm show at the Impro Theatre or come a little earlier and meet up at The Study (right around the corner at 1741 N. Vermont Ave) around 7:45pm for a drink before the show.

Date: Saturday, February 9, 2019

Time: The play is at 9:00 PM | Pre-show drinks at 7:45 PM

Location: Impro Theatre, 1727 North Vermont Avenue

Suite 211, Los Angeles, CA 90027

Price: \$5

Purchase tickets ahead of time on the Impro Theatre website [here!](#)

Parking: Give yourself extra time to find street parking

Questions?: Please contact wcla.wapa@gmail.com

Docent Tour of the Outliers and American Vanguard Art exhibit at LACMA



Organized by Wellesley Friends of Art and the Cambridge Club. The exhibit explores key moments in American art history when avant-garde artists and outliers intersected and how their interchanges ushered in new paradigms based on inclusion, integration, and assimilation.

Date: February 23, 2019

Time: 1:00 p.m.

Location: The Los Angeles County Museum of Art (LACMA) 5905 Wilshire Boulevard, Los Angeles, CA 90036

Price: No Charge for our group up to 25 people so please RSVP to allow us to count.

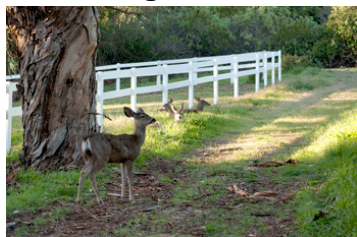
RSVP: Please get tickets at the event page [here](#).

Parking: \$16 at Pritzker Garage on Sixth Street, just east of Fairfax on the corner of Wilshire at Spaulding. During peak attendance LACMA operates valet-assisted stack parking at no additional charge.

Read more about the 250+ work exhibition [here](#).

Questions: Please Contact FOALA@wellesley.edu

Young Alum Hike - Inspiration Point Trail, Will Rogers State Park



Get some fresh air and breathtaking views on a light 2.1 mile hike. For more information about the hike and parking visit the Inspiration Point Trail AllTrails site [here](#). Please contact Rachel Thommen if you would like to join!

Date: Saturday, March 2, 2019

Time: 1:30pm

Location: 1501 Will Rogers Park Road, Pacific Palisades, CA 90272

Note: Subject to change due to weather conditions

Interested? Email Rachel Thommen

Wellesley-in-Pasadena: Faculty Speaker - Sara Wasserman Save-the-Date



Date: March 3, 2019

Time: TBD

Location: Pasadena location TBD

Register: Please get tickets at the event page [here](#).

Please contact WCLosAngeles@alum.wellesley.edu if you have questions

WCLA Career and Life Transitions Group



Stuck in a rut? Try something new! New job! New life challenge!

Date: Sunday, March 17, 2019

Time: 4:30-6:00pm

Location: 350 North Canon Drive, Beverly Hills, CA 90210

Questions? Contact [Julie Hogenboom](#)

Welcome Tea for Admitted Students, Wellesley Class of '23



Our WCLA tea is a great way for admitted students to have first-hand experience with Wellesley alumnae since it's not easy for California students to attend [Spring Open Campus](#).

Date: Sunday, April 14, 2019

Time: 3-5pm

Location: Private home of alumna in Silver Lake; address provided upon RSVP.

RSVPs: Please check the [WCLA website](#) for event registration and register so that we can plan for the guest count.

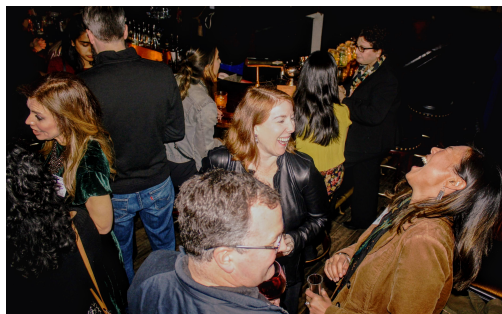
Cost: Event is free for our guests: Wellesley first-year students and their parents, young alums, and Wellesley Club members. For all others, registration cost is \$5.

Details: Light refreshments will be served

For questions, please contact WCLosAngeles@alum.wellesley.edu

Photo Album

These are just a few of the photos from our Annual Holiday Party at The Wellesbourne! See the full album on the WCLA website [here](#).



Please check out our WCLA website to see more photos from these and other events in our [photo albums](#).

Get Involved

Join **The Hive** networking platform: <https://hive.wellesley.edu>

Wellesley in Entertainment (WIE)

If you are working or want to work in film, TV, media, communications, or the arts, join the Wellesley In Entertainment group and attend informational panels, networking events, and screenings of alum work. Contact [Kate Erickson '05](#).

Wellesley Latina Network (WLAN)

To get involved with WLAN and support Latina and Hispanic Admission/Recruitment, College Connection and Alumnae Community at Wellesley and in the Alumnae Network, please contact [Kathy Silva '16](#).

Wellesley Alumnae of African Descent (WAAD)

To get involved with WAAD, please contact [Jackie Olivier '82](#).

Wellesley Alum Pride Alliance (WAPA)

To get involved with WAPA, contact Malique Carr '05 at WCLA.WAPA@gmail.com.

Wellesley Friends of Art

To get involved or learn more, please contact [Friends of Art](#).

Wellesley Entrepreneurs' Group

If you are an entrepreneur, or interested in becoming one, and would like to join a monthly meeting of the Wellesley Entrepreneurs group for Southern California, please contact [Stephanie Sunwoo '97](#) or [Karen Jordan '91](#). Facebook: [Wellesley Entrepreneurs of Los Angeles](#)

WCLA Career and Life Transitions Group

Stuck in a rut? Try something new! New Job! New life challenge! A small group from the '80's classes have been gathering every two months at a Beverly Hills wine bar to catch up and share ideas about new directions--planned and unplanned. Many of us want or need to try something new, and we're figuring it out together! If you are interested in joining, please contact [Julie Hogenboom '87](#).

Please Support our Club

Student Admissions - Represent Wellesley at Career College Fairs and/or participate in prospective student interviews.

To learn more, click [here](#).

Please contact admission@wellesley.edu to volunteer.

Wellesley Book Award Program

WCLA actively participates in the [Wellesley College Book Award program](#) honoring young women who have been top scholars in high school as well as talented performers in extracurricular areas. The program recognizes students--many of whom may not have otherwise known about Wellesley--for their academic leadership and personal contributions to their schools and communities. If you know of a high school that would benefit from participating please send a note to WCLosAngeles@alum.wellesley.edu. Also, please let us know if you have a contact at any of the schools listed below.

Eagle Rock High School

John Marshall High School

If you would like to sponsor a book, you can donate [online here](#) or email WCLosAngeles@alum.wellesley.edu. Each book costs \$30; please feel free to contribute what feels right for you.

WCLA Board Volunteers and Event Hosts

If you are interested in serving on the WCLA board or in offering your home as a location for WCLA events, please contact WCLosAngeles@alum.wellesley.edu. Click [here](#) for more information on board positions.

WCLA Membership

If you live in the Los Angeles area, please consider becoming a member of WCLA or renewing your membership. Membership provides discounted event tickets, and of course, the chance to support your local Wellesley Club including valuable programs such as lectures with visiting Wellesley professors and faculty, alumnae career panels, recruitment in local high schools and college fairs, and the annual Book Awards.

Lifetime Membership: One-time cost of \$500

Annual Membership Dues:

- Recent Graduate (Class of '17): \$0
- Young Alumna (Classes of '13-'16): \$25
- Regular Membership: \$50

Annual memberships are valid for one year from the date of purchase. Recent Graduate and Young Alumna membership levels are updated at the end of each academic year. Dues can be paid [online](#). Please be sure to log in to the WCLA site first.

If there are issues with logging into the system, you can first try the reset app which can be found [here](#). If you need further technical help with your login, please use [this form](#).

You can also mail a check to Brenna Vredevelde, one of WCLA's Co-Treasurers. Contact her at [bvredevelde@gmail.com](mailto:bvredeveld@gmail.com). Please make checks payable to Wellesley Club of Los Angeles, include your graduation year and specify as "membership dues".

Connecting

WCLA on Facebook

Stay up to date on events, share information with fellow alums and join our Facebook Community here: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/WellesleyClubLosAngeles>

Help for joining the WCLA Facebook Group:

1) First join the master Wellesley College Facebook group:

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/groupsatwellesley/>

If you are unable to join because it asks for a Wellesley email address, contact the Wellesley Help Desk to reset your password helpdesk@wellesley.edu or 781-283-3333.

2) Request to join the Wellesley in LA group at this link:

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/WellesleyClubLosAngeles/>

Wellesley Hive: <https://hive.wellesley.edu/hub/the-hive/home>

Wellesley Club of Los Angeles: <https://losangeles.alum.wellesley.edu/>

Wellesley Young Alumnae in Los Angeles: [Wellesley Young Alumnae in Los Angeles](#)

WCLA Board

Please welcome new board members Anneliese Klein '15 (Website Editor) and Sessen Mengist '15 (Website/Tech Manager)

President: Lori Dreischmeier '86

Vice President and Holiday Party Chair: Erin Copenbarger '95

VP, Operations/Website and Co-Treasurer: Brenna Vredevelde '05

Co-Treasurer: Henrietta Wong '08

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Alumnae Admission Representative (AAR), OC: Rachel Newman '08

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Young Alumnae Representative: Rachel Thommen '17

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Website Editor: Anneliese Klein '15

Website/Tech Manager: Sessen Mengist '15

Programming Chair/Faculty Speaker Chair: Ilene Tsui '10

Day to Make a Difference/Community Service Chair: Charlotte Kiang '13

Membership Co-Chair: Natalie Catalan '18

Membership Co-Chair: Jean Futami '83

Wellesley in Entertainment (WIE) Representative: Kate Erickson '05

WLAN Representative: Kathy Silva '16

WAAD Representative: Jackie Olivier '82

WAPA Representative: Malique Carr '05

WCLA Book Club Representative: Ottavia Montingelli '06

Wellesley Friends of Art Representative: Melissa King '92

Wellesley Entrepreneurs Representative: Stephanie Sunwoo '97

Past President: Erika Spitzer '06

Board Observer: Lian Jue '98

Board Observer: Melissa Cheng '05

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