Dear [first_name],

The holiday season is upon us, and we wish you blessings with family, friends, and our Wellesley community! We hope you'll join us for our **annual WCLA Holiday Party on Saturday, December 8! Please click here to register.** Also, please check out our newsletter and website for details on the **Wellesley-in-Pasadena Annual Holiday Cookie Exchange** and the **Santa Barbara Club Holiday Reception.**

Plus, there are two exciting career events: WIE has a [Career Breakthrough Event](#) this Saturday, December 1, and the WCLA Career Transitions Group invites [Nancy Hammerman '77](#) to speak on her experience with a "Pause Reset" and her revamped career on January 27, 2019. If anyone can host or has a suggestion for an event location, please email WCLosAngeles@alum.wellesley.edu.

Additionally, we'd love to hear *your* suggestions for volunteer service; please take our **"Day to Make a Difference" poll here.** Our hearts particularly go out to our alumnae impacted by the California wildfires, and we welcome hearing of volunteer opportunities to support those affected.

**WCAA's newest SIG, Wellesley Jewish Alumnae (WJA),** has officially launched and is making its debut with a new website. Alumnae who log in once on the page will opt in to receive updates from the group. WJA will strengthen the connections between alumnae who self identify as Jewish with each other and the College by supporting and promoting Jewish life among alumnae, current students, and other members in order to foster a vibrant Jewish community. **Please let us know if you are interested in being a WJA Rep for the WCLA.**

**Classes of 2017 and 2018!**

A new Young Alumnae Trustee (from the classes of 2017, 2018, and 2019) will be elected to the Wellesley College Board of Trustees for a three-year term in April 2019. **Application materials are due by December 31, 2018.** For details, please click [here](#).

If you have any suggestions or questions for our club, please contact
WCLA December 2018 e-newsletter | RSVP for Holiday Party!!

We hope to see you at a WCLA event soon!

Best wishes,

Your WCLA Board

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**Upcoming Events**

*Events below are listed in chronological order*

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**Wellesley in Entertainment Career Breakthrough Event**

Do you feel like your career needs a jumpstart? Need help accomplishing a goal? Do you have a challenging New Year's Career Resolution for 2019? Let us help you brainstorm how to meet it!

Date: Saturday, December 1st, 2018
Time: 3:00-5:00pm
Location: Home of Kate Erickson; Echo Park address provided upon purchase of ticket.
Cost: $10
For more information and to purchase a ticket click [here](#).

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**Wellesley-in-Pasadena: Annual Holiday Cookie Exchange**

Date: Sunday, December 2, 2018
Time: 1:30-3:30pm
Location: Home of Laura Moser at 2048 East Villa Street, #3, Pasadena, CA 91107
Event page: click [here](#)
Please contact WCPasadena@alum.wellesley.edu if you have questions.

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**Wellesley at the Wellesbourne - Annual Holiday Party**

Date: Saturday, December 8, 2018
Time: 5:30-7:30pm
Location: The Wellesbourne
10929 West Pico Boulevard, Los Angeles, CA 90064
Parking: First 3 hours across the street at the Landmark Movie Theatre or public metered parking at the corner of Pico and Midvale Avenue.
Attire: Holiday!
Register: Get tickets at the event page here! Please contact WCLosAngeles@alum.wellesley.edu if you have any questions.

WCLA Book Club - December
Book for December: "The Mirage Factory" by Gary Krist
This historical nonfiction book is about the development of LA from a town into a city, viewed through the lens of the lives of 3 prominent Los Angeles residents of the time - William Mulholland, D.W. Griffith, and Aimee Semple McPherson.
Date: Sunday, December 9th, 2018
Time: 1-3pm
Location: Central Court at LACMA, between the LACMA Cafe and the bookstore, 5905 Wilshire Blvd, Los Angeles, CA 90036
Event and contact details: click here

Wellesley Club of Santa Barbara Holiday Reception
Hosted by Anne Byerly and Victoria Wall
Date: Sunday, December 9th, 2018
Time: 3-5pm
Location: Home of Victoria Wall, 698 El Rancho Road, Montecito, CA. Parking and map will be supplied. There is no cost for this event.
Attire: Festive!
Event and contact details: click here.
RSVP on Facebook or to Kristi Horton at kwh@havencapitalgroupinc.com

WCLA Career Transitions Group: Nancy Hammerman '77 Speaks on "Pause Reset"
Save-the-Date!
Nancy Hammerman '77 shares her experience having a "pause reset" in her career and why she is so excited and optimistic!
Date: Sunday, January 27th, 2019
Time: 3:00-5:00pm
Location: TBA. Please contact WCLosAngeles@alum.wellesley.edu if you are available to host in your home or have a recommendation of a meeting place.
Event details: click here

Questions? Contact Julie Hogenboom
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.

Photo Album

These are just a few of the photos from the Sed Ministrare Award Presentation event!

Thanks for coming out to WAPA's Night at the Theatre! What a powerful and inspiring performance!
The WAPA urban hike through Hollywoodland was a blast! Thanks for coming out!

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.

Alliance Gertz-Ressler High School
Eagle Rock High School
John Marshall High School
La Salle High School
New Roads School
Orange Lutheran High School
Segerstrom 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 Vredeveld, one of WCLA’s Co-Treasurers. Contact her at 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 member Jean Futami '83, Membership Co-Chair

President: Lori Dreischmeier '86
Vice President and Holiday Party Chair: Erin Copenbarger '95
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Membership Co-Chair: Jean Futami '83

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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

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Club President Lori Dreischmeier '86

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