



Wellesley College Club of Los Angeles



Dear [first_name],

We're excited to continue with great events for our alums--please check out the options in our newsletter below (and on our [WCLA website](#)) and join us!

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If you know of a high school that would benefit from participating, please send a note to WCLosAngeles@alum.wellesley.edu. If you would like to sponsor a book, you can donate [online here](#) or email WCLosAngeles@alum.wellesley.edu. Each book costs \$30.

It was great to see so many of you at recent events including the Live Talks LA event featuring Madeleine Albright '59, the WIE fundraiser with Meera Menon, and the WAPA Shakespeare Improv Play!

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

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](#).

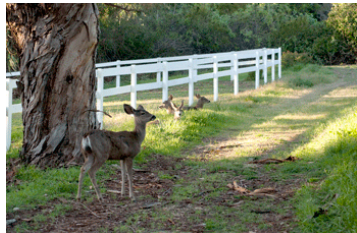
Parking: \$16 at Pritzker Garage on Sixth Street, just east of Fairfax on the corner of Wilshire at Spaulding. During peak attendance LACMA operates valet-assisted stack parking at no

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](mailto:Rachel.Thommen)

Wellesley-in-Pasadena: Faculty Speaker Sara Wasserman '02



Join us in welcoming Professor Sara Wasserman '02 at the Pasadena Central Library for her talk, "The Neuroscience of Decision Making." See the [Wellesley-in-Pasadena event page](#) for more details about Professor Wasserman and her research.

Date: March 3, 2019

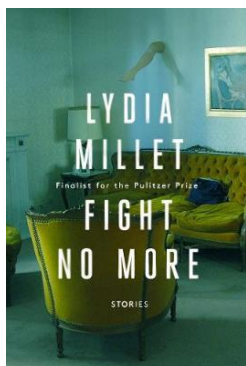
Time: 2:00pm

Location: Pasadena Central Library (4th floor studio) 285 E Walnut St. Pasadena, CA 91101

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

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

WCLA Book Club - March



Fight No More by Lydia Millet

This collection of short stories continues our Los Angeles theme.

Date: Sunday March 10, 2019

Time: 1:00pm

Location: Central Court at LACMA (between the bookstore and the LACMA Cafe) 5905 Wilshire Blvd, Los Angeles, CA 90036

Wellesley Alum Pride Alliance (WAPA) Afternoon at the Tom of Finland House



WAPA will be joining [IvyQ-GLBT Graduates of Ivy League and Similar Schools](#) for a guided tour and socializing at the Tom of Finland House. Tom of Finland has been called the most important gay erotic artist of the 20th century. Former Tom of Finland Foundation President Dan Berkowitz will lead the tour followed by socializing with fellow LGBTQ+ attendees. Space is extremely limited. RSVP required. For

more information, see our event page [here](#).

Date: Saturday March 16, 2019

Time: 2:00- 5:00pm

Location: Tom of Finland House (Echo Park) - details provided after confirmed RSVP

Price: Free but RSVP is required

RSVP: Email your full name to dan@danberkowitz.com with the subject line, "Tom of Finland" (Sooner than later as they may fill up).

Questions?: Please contact [Malique '05](#)

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](#)

WCLA Day to Make a Difference Save-the-date!



Join us at the LA Regional Food bank for Day to Make a Difference. Help us sort, inspect, and repackage donated food items from local food drives before they are distributed to those in need. More info and signup at the [event page here](#).

Date: April 6, 2019

Time: 9:00am - 12:00pm

Location: LA Regional Food Bank 1734 E. 41st Street Los Angeles, CA 90058

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

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

WIE - Seven Sisters in Entertainment Speed Networking



Are you looking to expand your professional circles? Do you struggle to introduce yourself at standard networking events? Amid the cries for more women in film and TV, do you wonder where your Seven Sisters are? Come find out! Bring business cards, resumes, or a pad of paper to swap notes, ideas, and

contact info with other Seven Sisters alums working all across the film/TV/media spectrum. Business professionals and creatives are both welcome. There is a 65 person cap to this event so buy your tickets [here](#) soon!

Date: Saturday May 4, 2019

Time: 2:00 - 5:00pm

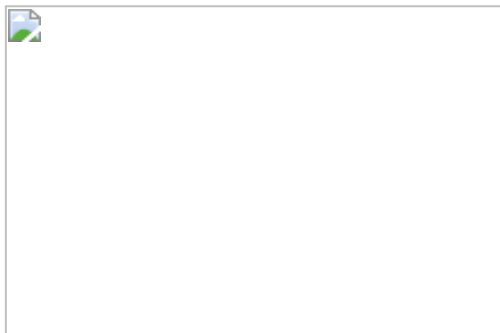
Location: Film Independent, 5670 Wilshire Blvd. 9th Floor, Los Angeles, CA 90036

Tickets: \$10. Purchase tickets at the event page [here](#). One ticket per Seven Sisters alum, no guests. Ticket sales will be closed once we reach the 65 person capacity.

Questions?: email wellesleyinentertainment@gmail.com

Photo Album

Thanks for coming out to An Evening with Madeleine Albright '59!



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.

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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](#)

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