



Wellesley College Club of Los Angeles



Dear [first_name],

Please check out upcoming events in our newsletter below (and on our [WCLA website](#))!

Please join us for a [Day to Make a Difference](#) at the LA Regional Food Bank on Saturday, April 6 from 9am-12 noon.

We hope to see **Young Alums** at the Day to Make a Difference as well as at the [Welcome Tea for Admitted Students](#) on Sunday, March 14, 3-5pm at the home of Alex Nagourney in Silver Lake.

Volunteer opportunities: We need alumnae Book Award presenters at La Salle High School and Palos Verdes High School. Also, we are looking for a WCLA Board Rep for [Wellesley Jewish Alumnae \(WJA\)](#), a new Shared Identity Group (SIG). If interested, please contact WCLosAngeles@alum.wellesley.edu. We'd love to hear from you with any suggestions or questions.

We hope to see you at an event soon!

Your WCLA Board

Upcoming Events

Events below are listed in chronological order

- March 16: Wellesley Alum Pride Alliance (WAPA) - Afternoon at the Tom of Finland House
- March 23: Young Alum Hike in Will Rogers State Park
- March 28: Wellesley in Entertainment (WIE) - Spring Break Happy Hour
- March 31: Wellesley-in-Pasadena - Admitted Students Event
- April 4: Penn Club of LA - *Fireside Chat on Machine Learning*

- April 5: Wellesley-in-Pasadena - *An Evening with Tina Payne Bryson, PhD* - Learn how to achieve "No Drama Discipline"
- **April 6: Day to Make a Difference at the LA Regional Food Bank**
- **April 14: Welcome Tea for Admitted Students, Wellesley Class of '23**
- April 14: WCLA Book Club - *Notes on a Foreign Country: An American Abroad in a Post-American World* by Suzy Hansen
- May 4: WIE - Seven Sisters in Entertainment and Media Speed Networking Event
- May 19: WCLA Career and Life Transitions Group "Career Conversation"

STAY CONNECTED

- **Wellesley Club of Los Angeles:** <https://losangeles.alum.wellesley.edu/>
- Reach the **Wellesley Club of Los Angeles:**
WCLosAngeles@alum.wellesley.edu
- Wellesley Hive: <https://hive.wellesley.edu/hub/the-hive/home>
- **WCLA on Facebook**
 - **Wellesley Alumnae of Los Angeles:** Stay up to date on events, share information with fellow alums and join our Facebook Community here:
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/WellesleyClubLosAngeles/>
 - **Wellesley Young Alumnae in Los Angeles:**
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/102080626551375/?t=60722-304008>

UPCOMING EVENTS

Book Awards

We are thrilled to announce that 11 schools will be participating in the Book Award this year! If you are interested in granting a Book Award at a high school's Award Ceremony, please contact Alex Nagourney directly at alexandra.nagourney@gmail.com

1. Arcadia High School
2. Beverly Hills High School
3. Brentwood School
4. Central City High School (Value School)
5. University Prep High School (Value School)
6. The Webb Schools of California
7. La Salle High School - [Alumnae presenter needed on Tuesday, May 21, 9:15am to 11:00am](#)

8. Palos Verdes High School - [Alumnae presenter needed on Thursday, April 25, 11:30am to 1:30pm](#)

9. St. Margaret's Episcopal School

10. St. Monica Academy

11. Downtown Magnets High School

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.

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; please feel free to contribute what feels right for you.

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

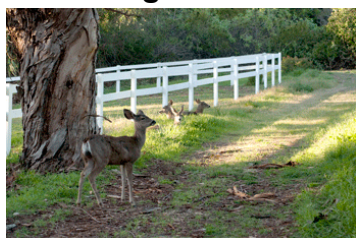
Location: Tom of Finland House (Echo Park) - details provided after confirmed RSVP

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](#)

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](#).

Date: Saturday, March 23, 2019

Time: 1:30pm

Location: 1501 Will Rogers Park Road, Pacific Palisades,

CA 90272

Details: Event page is [here](#)

Note: Subject to change due to weather conditions

Interested? Email [Rachel Thommen](#)

WIE Spring Break Happy Hour



Join Wellesley in Entertainment as we welcome our third annual Screenwriting Competition Winner, Wellesley senior Ciara Wardlow to LA for her awards package--three days of meetings with industry professionals. The happy hour will be a chance to meet new members, reconnect with old friends, and toast

the end of a rainy winter. All the info is [here](#).

Date: Thursday, March 28th, 2019

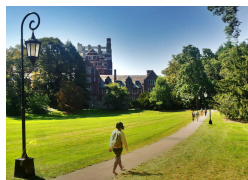
Time: 7:00pm - 9:00pm

Location: Harlowe, 7321 Santa Monica Blvd, West Hollywood CA 90046 (patio reserved)

Price: Free!

Questions: Please contact WIE at wellesleyinentertainment@gmail.com

Admitted Students Event - Wellesley-in-Pasadena



Southern California has two events to welcome students accepted to the class of 2023. There is one in Pasadena on March 31 and another in Silver Lake on April 14. In particular, we encourage young alums to come out and share their experience at Wellesley.

Date: Sunday, March 31, 2019

Time: 3:00-5:00pm

Location: The home of Anne Kennedy '66 in Pasadena

Price: Free!

Questions: Please contact llmosersw@gmail.com

Fireside Chat on Machine Learning - Penn Club of LA



The Penn Club of LA has invited the Ivy Plus community to join them for a [fireside chat on machine learning](#) and its role on the internet with Wharton School [Professor Kartik Hosanagar](#). The topic of discussion will focus on how algorithms are shaping our lives and how we can stay in control. Professor Hosanagar has been recognized as one of the world's top 40 business professors under 40 and is launching his new book this month.

Date: Thursday, April 4, 2019

Time: 6:30pm

Location: Zefr: 4104 Redwood Ave.

Cost: Tickets are \$25 and light food and refreshments will be provided

Check out the event [here](#).

An Evening with Tina Payne Bryson, PhD



Learn how to achieve No Drama Discipline by working with your child's developing mind to peacefully resolve conflicts, inspire happiness, and strengthen resilience for everyone in the family. See our [event page](#) for more info.

Date: Friday, April 5, 2019

Time: 6:30 - 8:00pm

Location: Pacific Oaks College, 45 Eureka St., Pasadena, CA

91103

Parking: On site

Cost: This event is free to the Wellesley and Harvard communities

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

WCLA Day to Make a Difference - LA Regional Food Bank



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](#).

Questions? Contact [Charlotte Kiang '13](#)

Welcome Tea for Admitted Students, Wellesley Class of '23



Please join us in welcoming newly-admitted students and answering any questions they and their parents may have about Wellesley. We'd love to see alums, particularly from more recent classes, who can share their student experiences, diverse perspectives on the college, and the benefits of the vast Wellesley alumnae network with these potential future WCLA members! 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.

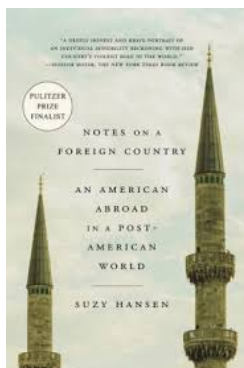
RSVPs: Please register [here](#) so that we can plan for the guest count.

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

WCLA Book Club - April



Book for April: *Notes on a Foreign Country: An American abroad in a Post-American World* by Suzy Hansen

Date: Sunday April 14, 2019

Time: 1:00pm - 3pm

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

For event and parking details [click here](#)

Questions?: Email wclabookclub@gmail.com

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

WCLA Career and Life Transitions Group



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

Date: Sunday, May 19, 2019

Time: 4:30-6:00pm

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

Questions? Contact [Julie Hogenboom](#)

Photo Album

Wellesley Friends of Art recently joined the Cambridge Alumni of LA for a docent tour of the Outliers and American Vanguard Art exhibit at LACMA



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



Our Nancy Hammerman event was a great success! Thanks to everyone who attended!



Thanks for coming out and laughing with us at WAPA's recent night at improv!



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.

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 Vredevelt, one of WCLA's Co-Treasurers. Contact her at [bvredevelt@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".

WCLA Board

Please welcome our newest board member, Lisa Valera '12, Communications Editor

President: Lori Dreischmeier '86

Vice President and Holiday Party Chair: Erin Copenbarger '95

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

Co-Treasurer: Henrietta Wong '08

Secretary: Alexandra Hatem '12

Alumnae Admission Representative (AAR), LA: Mei Ling Messner '17

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

Book Award Chair: Alexandra Nagourney '13

Young Alumnae Representative: Rachel Thommen '17

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

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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

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