Dear [first_name],

- We had an amazing turnout of over 80 alums for our special event on February 29th! Many thanks to our incredible college guest speakers Sheilah Shaw Horton (Vice President and Dean of Students), Kathryn Harvey Mackintosh '03 (Executive Director, WCAA) and Mary Casey (VP for Development), and our host Amy Sommer Childress ’87 and all our alums who joined us! -- We're very excited about your participation in the kick-off for the 100th year anniversary of the WCLA. Please check out photos from photographer Laurie Steiner-Halperin ‘86 in the photo section.
- Also, special thanks to our entrepreneur alums who contributed gifts to our speakers and alums.
  - Jennifer Meng ’13, Founder and Creative Director at READY-MADE, a sustainable, materials-based jewelry brand based in Los Angeles. [www.ready-made.co](http://www.ready-made.co)
  - Melissa Cheng ’05, Head of Product, Merchandising & Operations at Cocofloss, a company founded by Wellesley alumnae based in the San Francisco Bay Area. [www.cocofloss.com](http://www.cocofloss.com)
- We’d love to see you at an event this month! We have many amazing opportunities including:
  - A Young Alum Happy Hour on March 13!

As always, please reach out with any suggestions or questions by contacting: [WCLosAngeles@alum.wellesley.edu](mailto:WCLosAngeles@alum.wellesley.edu). Also, please contact us for accessibility information regarding any event. If an event ticket causes undue financial burden, we'll find a solution that supports your attending.

We hope to see you at an event soon!

Your WCLA Board

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**Upcoming Events**
Events below are listed in chronological order

- March 13: Young Alum Happy Hour
- March 16: WCLA Book Club
- March 22: Career Conversation with Jane Wolf Frances: Managing Changes in Career, Life Stage, and Aging Parents
- March 26: WIE Spring Break Happy Hour
- April 18: Seven Sisters in Entertainment Speed Networking
- April 19: Accepted students Yield Event in Hancock Park
- April 25: Day to Make a Difference at Ronald McDonald House Los Angeles

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 Young Alumnae in Los Angeles: This Facebook page is for all Wellesley Alumnae of Los Angeles/Orange County https://www.facebook.com/groups/102080626551375/?t=60722-304008

*UPCOMING EVENTS*

Young Alum Happy Hour
Spend Friday the 13th with other young alums in a place where Halloween never ends!
Date: Friday, March 13, 2020
Time: 7:30 PM
Location: Beetle House LA
N Las Palmas Ave
Los Angeles, CA 90028
Parking: Carpool strongly encouraged. Venue is walking distance from the Hollywood/Highland Red Line Station (5 minute walk).
RSVP: Email nicole.gebriel@gmail.com

WCLA Book Club - March
For our March meeting we've picked *Antarctica: An Intimate Portrait of the World's Most Mysterious Continent* by Gabrielle Walker. We will be meeting at Black Dog Coffee.
Date: Sunday, March 16, 2020  
Time: 1-3pm  
Location: **Black Dog Coffee**  
5657 Wilshire Blvd  
Los Angeles, CA 90036  
Mid-Wilshire  
Parking: Either in the LACMA garage ($12) or street parking around LACMA at meters which on Sundays are typically free.  
RSVP: Email **WCLA Book Club**  
Details: **Here**

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**Career Conversation with Jane Wolf Frances ’68: Managing Changes in Career, Life Stage, and Aging Parents**

Jane shares her experiences parenting parents, publishing a book, and starting a nonprofit.  
Date: Sunday, March 22, 2020  
Time: 1:00-3:00 p.m.  
Location: Westwood/Wilshire corridor address provided upon RSVP below  
Parking: Enter driveway for valet parking by building doormen. If the lot is full, there is unrestricted parking on the side streets: on both sides of Wilshire, Thayer Avenue (directly south of the building), and on Ashton Avenue, from Thayer east to Beverly Glen.  
Pricing: Event is free for members and $10 for non-members and guests. Advance RSVP is required.  
RSVP: Click [here](#) to RSVP  
For any questions please contact **WCLosAngeles@alum.wellesley.edu**

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**Wellesley in Entertainment Spring Break Happy Hour**

Welcome WIE's screenwriting competition award winner to LA (on her Wellesley spring break!) and catch up with your fellow alums. All are welcome!  
Date: Thursday, March 26, 2020  
Time: 7-9pm  
Location: Harlowe Bar, 7321 Santa Monica Blvd, West Hollywood, CA 90046  
Tickets: No tickets but RSVP on the WIE Facebook page to help us gauge the size of the group for our reservation.  
Full event info [here](#).  
For any questions please contact **WellesleyInEntertainment@gmail.com**
Seven Sisters in Entertainment Speed Networking

Hosted by Film Independent. Meet alums from Barnard, Bryn Mawr, Mount Holyoke, Smith, Wellesley, Vassar, and Radcliffe who are working in film, television, and media. There is a 65-person cap to this event so buy your tickets soon!
Date: Saturday, April 18, 2020
Time: 1-4pm
Location: Film Independent

5670 Wilshire Blvd. 9th Floor
Los Angeles, CA 90036
Parking: FREE in the Film Independent structure
Cost: $10
Please note this event is restricted to Seven Sisters alums. One ticket per alum, no guests.
RSVP: Click here to RSVP
For any questions please contact WellesleyInEntertainment@gmail.com

Welcome Tea for Admitted Students

We are 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 on their student experiences, their diverse perspectives on the college, and the benefits of a vast Wellesley alumnae network with these potential future WCLA members!

Date: Sunday, April 19, 2020
Time: 3pm
Location: Home of Linda Myerson Dean '81, Hancock Park address provided upon registration
Parking: Plenty of street parking available
Details and RSVP here.

Day to Make a Difference at Ronald McDonald House Los Angeles

Join us for our spring Day to Make a Difference at Ronald McDonald House LA where we will help prepare brunch. Everyone is asked to bring at least 1 ingredient. Advance RSVP is required in order to coordinate.
Date: Saturday, April 25, 2020
Time: 11am-2pm
Location: 4560 Fountain Avenue, Los Angeles, CA 90029
Parking: Limited street parking available; carpooling is encouraged. Venue is also accessible via the Red Line (10 minute walk from the Vermont/Santa Monica stop).

RSVP and Questions: Please contact charlotte.kiang@alum.wellesley.edu

Pricing: No cost to attend but volunteers will be asked to bring at least 1 ingredient to help prepare brunch (estimated cost <$20)

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Photo Album

2020: An Update from Wellesley College

February 29, 2020
See more photos from the event on our website [here](#).

Thanks for joining WAPA at The Abbey!
Please check out our WCLA website to see more photos from these and other events in our photo albums.

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**Please Support our Club**

**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

**Student Admissions - Final month!**
We still need interviewers! Reports are due mid-February. And if you can use Skype, the College can use your help. Sign up now for one or two interviews and practice for next year. The Los Angeles group has 70 interviews requested so far and 30 completed. The Orange County group also has unassigned interviews (If that's too far, use Skype!). To learn more, click here.
Please contact admission@wellesley.edu to volunteer. Call Belinda at 213-304-0802 with questions.

**Wellesley Jewish Alumnae Announcement**
The Wellesley Jewish Alumnae group is excited to host their next Shabbat Across the Miles! Shabbat Across the Miles is an event in which alums around the world get together for Shabbat at the same time. The idea is to host events that build connections among alumnae who live near each other, while being a part of our global community.

- The group is looking for alums in each city who can host a meal or an activity at their homes, work, or community centers, to which local Wellesley alumnae can be invited. The type of event is up to the host.
Past events have included a sit-down dinner, potluck dinner, challah baking, hamantaschen making, and a wine tasting. You can choose to host on your own, ask participants to bring items, or ask WJA to find a co-host to join you. It's totally up to you.

Email wjaprogramming@alum.wellesley.edu or WJAPresident@alum.wellesley.edu for information.

Please email WCLosAngeles@alum.wellesley.edu if you would like to be a local rep and join the WCLA Board.

Book Awards
Since 1982, the Wellesley Book Award Program has honored high achieving high school students. If you'd like to suggest a school to give an award, please contact WCLosAngeles@alum.wellesley.edu You can see a list of LA and OC schools that have previously awarded the book at this link.

Wellesley Banner
A friendly reminder that we have a Wellesley College banner that you can borrow for a special event. Please contact WCLosAngeles@alum.wellesley.edu

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 ‘19): $0
  • Young Alumna (Classes of ‘15-’18): $25
  • Regular Membership: $50

Dues can be paid online. Please be sure to log in to the WCLA site first.

If you'd prefer to pay by check, please contact WCLA Co-Treasurers for instructions.

Get Involved - Shared Identity Groups (SIGs)

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 College and in the Alumnae Network, please contact WCLosAngeles@alum.wellesley.edu

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

Career Conversations
Stuck in a rut? Try something new! New Job! New life challenge! Our small group from the ’80’s classes have grown from gathering every two months at a wine bar in Beverly Hills for a "Career Transitions Group" to getting together for "Career Conversations" led by alums in various careers. If you'd like to recommend a speaker, please email WCLosAngeles@alum.wellesley.edu.

The Plato Society of Los Angeles
Wellesley grads Nancy Bott ’64 and Sue Allen ’47 have been members of the PLATO Society of Los Angeles for many years and invite you to join them at the peer-led study discussion groups in Westwood Village. To learn more, check out www.platola.org or contact Nancy at nancybott@verizon.net.

Please click here to see our WCLA Board leadership.