Wellesley College Club of Los Angeles

Dear [first_name],

We have a couple of awesome events before the end of the year!

- **Annual WCLA Holiday Party on December 14!** - **Don't miss this epic event!** We're excited by all the RSVPs and have an even larger space at the Wellesbourne this year. Complimentary drink is included with your ticket! Please join us and bring a friend!
- **Maggie Cardelus '85**, visiting from Paris, invites us to **a cocktail reception and preview of her new jewelry design brand CARDELUS on December 18!**
- **Neighborhood Circles are launching in January!** We have 132 alums participating in 12 Circles in LA and 4 in Orange County! If you still want to join a Circle in your neighborhood, we can find a space for you. Special call out to **alums in the South Bay, West Valley/Ventura, and Claremont/Upland/Rowland Heights** - We'd love to increase the number of participants in those neighborhood Circles. Please register here.

Plus, 2020 will mark the 100-year anniversary of the Wellesley Club of Los Angeles! We already have some incredible programming.

- **Save the date of Saturday, February 29, 2020!** -- We're thrilled to start our anniversary year with a visit from three special Wellesley College visitors: Sheilah Shaw Horton (Vice President and Dean of Students), Kathryn Harvey Mackintosh '03 (Executive Director, WCAA), and Mary Casey (VP for Development). Details coming soon!

As always, please reach out with any suggestions or questions by contacting: WCLosAngeles@alum.wellesley.edu.

We hope to see you at an event soon!

Your WCLA Board

Upcoming Events

Events below are listed in chronological order

- December 14: Wellesley Circles Facilitator Online Webinar
- **December 14: Wellesley at the Wellesbourne - Annual Holiday Party**
- December 15: WCLA Book Club
- December 18: Preview of Maggie Cardelus '85 Design Exhibition
- December 21: WAPA at the LGBT Senior Services Center for a Poetry Reading
- January 2020: Wellesley Circles launch in neighborhoods
- January 12, 2020: WCLA Book Club
- January 14 and 15, 2020: Job Shadow Program
- January 17, 2020: WAPA at an Ivy League Mixer at the Abbey's New VIP Room
- February 5, 2020: 1st Annual All Ivy Greater Palm Springs Gathering
- **February 29, 2020: Save-the-Date for an afternoon speaker event with special guests from the college**

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

Wellesley Circles Facilitator Online Webinar

[Francine Miltenberger '78](#), who has led Circles for the Wellesley Club of Silicon Valley for the last two years, is leading an online webinar for facilitator training for those who were unable to join the in-person training session on November 23rd.

Date: Saturday, December 14, 2019
Time: 9:30-11:00am
Location: Participants will join a GoToMeeting Webinar.
Pricing: Event is free for Circles Facilitator Volunteers
Please contact WCLosAngeles@alum.wellesley.edu if you have questions.

RSVP: Register here.

Wellesley at the Wellesbourne - Annual Holiday Party

WCLA returns to the Wellesbourne for our Annual Holiday Party

Join us!

Date: Saturday, December 14, 2019

Time: 5:30-7:30pm

Location: The Wellesbourne, 10929 West Pico Blvd, Los Angeles, CA 90064

Parking: First 3 hours free across the street at the Landmark Movie Theater or public metered parking at the corner of Pico and Midvale Avenue.
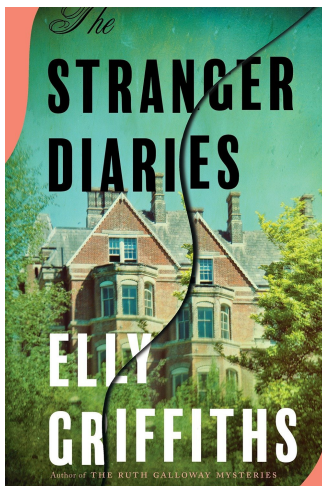
Attire: Holiday!

Note: Hors d'oeuvres and a complimentary drink provided

Register: Please get tickets at the event page here.

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

WCLA Book Club - December

For our December meeting we've picked *The Stranger Diaries* by Elly Griffiths. We will be meeting at Black Dog Coffee.

Date: Sunday, December 15

Time: 1-3pm

Location: Black Dog Coffee

5657 Wilshire Blvd

Los Angeles, CA 90036

Details: click here

RSVP: Email WCLA Book Club

Preview of Maggie Cardelus '85 Design Exhibition

Join a cocktail reception and preview of Maggie Cardelus '85-launched design brand, CARDELUS.

Date: Wednesday, December 18, 2019

Time: 6-9pm

Location: Squat Los Angeles

830 North Highland Ave

Los Angeles, CA 90038

RSVP: Email Maggie Cardelus by December 10th

Details: Click here.

WAPA Joins the LGBT Senior Services for their Poetry Reading

Join WAPA in attending a poetry reading and supporting our community's LGBTQ seniors. Those participating are students of Steven Reigns' My Life is Poetry workshop who will share autobiographical poems voiced from experience, defiance, vulnerability, and heart. They hope that you will learn that their lives, and even your own, are poetic. Reading will last about an hour with a reception to follow.
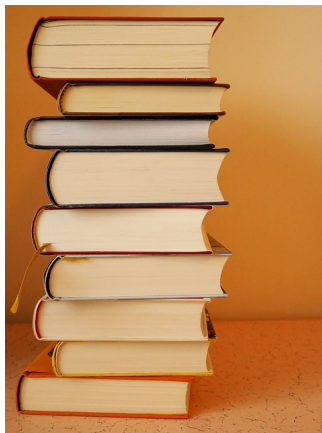
Date: Saturday, December 21, 2019
Time: 3:00-4:30pm
Location: Los Angeles LGBT Senior Services 1118 N. McCadden Pl Los Angeles, CA 90038
RSVP Required: Call 1-877-688-4833 and leave your name, phone number, and specify it is for event #1121
Questions? Please contact wcla.wapa@gmail.com

WCLA Book Club - January

Our January title is TBD. We will be meeting at Black Dog Coffee.
Date: Sunday, January 12
Time: 1-3pm
Location: Black Dog Coffee
5657 Wilshire Blvd
Los Angeles, CA 90036
RSVP: Email WCLA Book Club

Career Education Winter Job Shadow

Wellesley Career Education is holding the January 2020 winter job shadow program on January 14 and 15. There will be about 15 students participating in the area. Details here.

WAPA Joins Ivy Pride Alliance LA for a Mixer at The Abbey's New VIP Room

Join WAPA at Ivy League Alliance LA's mixer at The Abbey's "With-In," new VIP room. No cover charge and no-host food and drink. Connect with old friends, meet new ones, and have a great evening! Co-hosted by IvyQ, Stanford Pride, Duke LGBT Network, Brown TBGALA, Cornell GALA, Harvard GSC, Harvard Club of Southern California, PennGALA, Cal Club of Los Angeles, UCLA Lambda, USC Lambda, the UChicago LGBT Alumni Group, and Princeton BTGALA
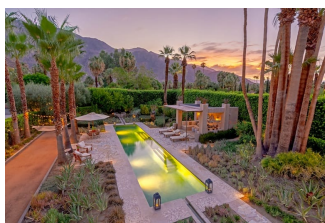
Date: Friday, January 17, 2020
Time: 6:30-9:00pm
Location: The Abbey, "With-In" VIP room 696 Robertson Blvd. West Hollywood, CA 90069
RSVP Required: Please RSVP here.
Questions? Please contact wcla.wapa@gmail.com

1st Annual "All Ivy" Greater Palm Springs Gathering

Tell your fellow alumni/alumnae to join us! (Friends and partners welcome!) Similar events take place in US resort cities (Naples and Vero Beach) and Europe. We are hoping to plan more events, visits, discussions for residents and snowbirds in the future. Cash bar and light snacks.
Date: February 5, 2020
Time: 5:30-7:30pm
Location: Cimarron Country Club, 67603 30th Avenue, Cathedral City, CA 92234
Pricing: $10 payable at door
RSVP: By January 29, 2020 to paulasinclair1@sky.com
Questions?: Contact paulasinclair1@sky.com

Save-the-Date: Speaker event with three special Wellesley College visitors

We're thrilled to start WCLA's 100th-year anniversary with an event featuring three visitors from the college.
Sheilah Shaw Horton, Vice President and Dean of Students
Kathryn Harvey Mackintosh '03, Executive Director,
Wellesley College Alumnae Association
Mary Casey Vice President for Development
Date: Saturday, February 29, 2020
Time: 2:00-4:30 pm TBC
Location: TBD
Details coming soon.
Please contact WCLosAngeles@alum.wellesley.edu if you have questions.

The Plato Society of Los Angeles

Wellesley grads Nancy Bott '64 & 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

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Photo Album

Friends of Art Docent Tour of "Manet & Modern Beauty" at The Getty on December 7, 2019

Wellesley Circles Facilitator Training led by Francine Miltenberger '78 and hosted by Linda Myerson-Dean '81 at the Wine Warehouse on November 23, 2019

Career Conversation with Melissa de la Rama '01 on Managing Change during a Technological Disruption of Media and Entertainment on November 10, 2019. Hosted by Belinda Tepper '71 in her Westwood home.

Pictured from L to R are Beth Schaaf, Nicole Gebriel, Emma Stashin, Lori Dreischmeier, Sessen Mengist, Melissa de la Rama, Brenna Vredeveld, Belinda Tepper, Emily Peters, Kathrin Leuchtenburg, Fatima Burney, Lian Jue, Heather Miller, Heather Lee, and Malique Carr

Day to Make a Difference at Harvest Home on October 19, 2019

Pictured are Beth Schaaf, Emily Peters, Charlotte Kiang, Evelyn Wu, Jordan Mosley, and Rebecca Nevitt

Wellesley Circles Kick-Offs in Los Angeles and Orange County on October 6, 2019

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

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

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 grown from gathering every two months at a Beverly Hills wine bar 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.

Please Support our Club

Student Admissions - South Bay. Santa Clarita. East of the 605.

We need interviewers in LA County! Sign up now for one or two interviews and practice for next year. We have 48 interviews requested so far and 14 completed. The next reports are due mid-January and Mid-February. To learn more, click here. Please contact admission@wellesley.edu to volunteer. Call Belinda at 213-304-0802 with questions.

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.

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

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.

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.

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