November 6, 2020

Susan Locke Interdisciplinary Capstone and Environmental Sustainability and Climate Change Initiative

As Americans brave conditions of fierce hurricanes, flooding, and fires, it is apparent climate change is an existential threat to humanity. The repercussions of climate denial are already here, and it is imperative that everyone become more engaged to preserve the planet for future generations. Over the years, Baruch faculty and students have been involved in various campus initiatives promoting a more sustainable, carbon-free environment.

This November 2020, Baruch College Weissman School of Arts and Sciences is launching a new promotional marketing campaign to raise awareness, educate and take action to confront climate change issues under the logo, “We Are Climate Action” WACA. This initiative launched by Weissman Communication in the Dean’s Office. It will include a lecture series introducing climate experts, including Weissman professors as well as outside guests who are nationally known for their work in environmental innovations and climate change policy. The initiative is designed to generate broad campus awareness with promotional support in all Baruch and CUNY communication platforms.

Academically, in the Spring 2021 semester a new climate change course and special program activities will be introduced that are supported by a grant from Susan Locke, Professor Emerita of Psychology at Weissman. Professor Locke has made a gift to support a team-taught seminar, the Locke Seminar, which brings together Environmental Studies and Art. It will be directed by Professor Emily Johnson, Assistant Professor of Journalism and the Susan Locke Grant coordinator. The course will be instructed by both professors Mindy Engle Friedman (Psychology) and Chester Zarnoch (Natural Sciences).

“Our mission is to give Baruch students the tools to be stewards of the world they inhabit, to connect them with nature, and to prepare them to be leaders in a greener, more sustainable future. The impacts of climate change are already here, and it is imperative that we act now to preserve the planet for future generations,” said Susan Locke. Read more.

David Jones Spends Election Night at CBS Headquarters

David Jones, Department Chair of Political Science, served as an exit poll analyst the past 20 years for both The New York Times and CBS. On election night 2020 he spent his night at CBS headquarters. Find more information here to learn about his experience and what he saw during election night 2020.
**Thomas Heinrich Hosts Live Presentation on New Book**

**Thomas Heinrich**, Chair of the History Department is hosting a live presentation on 11/19/2020 @ 12:45 pm - 2:00 pm entitled “Workshop of American Seapower: Naval Shipbuilding in World War II”. For Zoom information, please contact yolanda.cordero@baruch.cuny.edu by November 18, 2020.

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**Psychology 2020 Colloquium**
**Before and After Pride at Work: Exploring a Dynamic Link Between Self-Doubt and Self-Expansion**

The Weissman School of Arts and Sciences Psychology Department will present the 2020 Psychology Colloquium with guest lecturer Joe Magee, Professor of Management & Organizations at the Stern School of Business at New York University, where he has been since 2004. The Colloquium will be held on November 17 from 12:30 pm - 1:30 pm via Zoom. Registration information can be found here.

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**#TrendingEvents**

**BPAC & Sandra Kahn Wasserman Jewish Studies Center** present David Adjmi: In conversation with Alisa Solomon. David Adjmi will be speaking with Alisa Solomon, Director of the Arts and Culture concentration in Journalism at Colombia, delving into his grandly entertaining memoir Lot Six that poses the question, how do human beings create themselves and how do artists make their lives into art? The event will be held November 11 at 6:30 pm. Register here.

**Mishkin Gallery and ISLA** (Baruch’s Initiative for the Study of Latin America) present an evening of art and film featuring the co-authored Discharge (2005) by Nicolás Guagnini and Jeff Preiss. Discharge came about when Guagnini and Preiss were both shareholders in the Orchard Gallery co-op, an artist-run gallery on Manhattan’s Lower East Side active from 2005 until 2008. The event will be held Thursday, November 19 at 6:00 pm. You can register here.

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**Israeli Chamber Project** - 11/2/2020 - 11/8/2020
Wins @ Weissman

Weissman School of Arts and Sciences  Interim Dean Jessica Lang presented retiring Professor Lourdes Gil of the Black and Latino Studies and Modern Languages and Comparative Literature Departments with a proclamation at an official ceremony on Zoom where they also announced a new full scholarship funded by Prof. Hedy Feit, in honor of Lourdes Gil for a student in their junior year who is pursuing Latin American studies. The Zoom meeting included Lourdes’s son, colleagues and former students.

Vincent DiGirolamo, Associate Professor of History, received the American Historical Association’s Eugenia M. Palmegiano Prize in the History of Journalism for his recently published book Crying the News: A History of America’s Newsboys Crying the News was also the subject of an article in "The Real History of Fake News", which was featured in the Marginalia: Los Angeles Review of Books.

News Announcements

Angie Beeman, Assistant Professor of Sociology, will be a featured speaker at the Diversity & Inclusion Research Conference (DIRC 2020). This conference will bring together voices from scholars and organizers around the world, who will share their insights on contemporary issues pertaining to equality and inclusion. The conference will be held over two days on November 12 and 13.

David Gruber’s, Presidential Professor of Biology and Environmental Sciences, past research from Brazil is referenced in an article titled "Newly discovered gene may give 'sea pickles' their glow" and published by Science Daily. Read more about this developing story here.

Alexander String Quartet- Beethoven @ 250 The Early, Middle and Late Quartets, a guided performance & Beethoven @ 250 Works by Beethoven and George Walker 11/16/2020 - 11/29/2020 (All Day)

Opportunities for Faculty

- Adira Foundations Welcomes proposals That Address Pervasive Needs in Neurodegenerative Disease- Deadline: 11/19/2020
- Medical Library Association Invites Applications for Naomi C. Broering Latinx Heritage Grant- Deadline: 12/01/2020
Center for Retirement Research Welcomes Proposals for Steven H. Sandell Grant Program- Deadline: 01/31/2021

Cornelia T. Bailey Foundation Invites Applications for New ERA Women Writers Program- Deadline: Rolling

National Geographic Invites Applications for COVID-19 Emergency Fund for Journalists- Deadline: Rolling

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