

FINCH NEWS

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2017 COSGRAVE AWARDS DINNER A SUCCESS



Cosgrave Honoree Dorothy Peterseil Tananbaum (standing) with family and friends

On the evening of May 16, 2017, Finch alumnae, family, and friends gathered to honor the recipients of the 23rd annual Jessica Cosgrave Lifetime Achievement Awards, held at the Cosmopolitan Club in NYC.

FACULTY HONOREE

This year's faculty honoree was **Joann Catrino Rosenstrach**, who held several positions at Finch from 1965 to 1971, including business course instructor, Assistant Director of Admissions, and Educational Director of the Finch Intercontinental Study Plan (FISP). Joann

recalled that Dr. DeMarco referred to Finch junior year abroad as the "jewel in the crown." Besides discovering gelato, Joann "couldn't believe I was actually being paid for such an opportunity." However, Joann said her favorite position at Finch was "working in the Admissions Office with Sara Arthur, who is such a natural mentor," adding, "I was so proud to say I was from Finch when visiting other schools."

Joann recalled that she was at Finch during the turbulent '60s when "upheaval forced us to deal with the changes. It took courage and I like to believe it was the kind of courage Jessica Cos-

grave had." Joann reminded us also "that Jessica Cosgrave believed in the recurrent career." Joann is a good example, having attended law school at the age of 45. Joann's husband and children supported her decision, and Joann gave credit to her wonderful husband, Ivan Rosenstrach, for helping her balance work and family life. Specializing in real estate with a practice based in Mamaroneck, NY, Joann says "now, 31 years later, I am still in the game and I am happy for that." Joann and Ivan are the parents of three children, one of whom became a college admissions counselor, and the proud grandparents of six.

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SAVE THE DATE FOR THE 2018 COSGRAVE AWARDS

The Jessica Cosgrave Award honors outstanding Finch College graduates and is the major fundraiser of the Finch College Alumni Association Foundation Trust. Save the date:

Tuesday, May 15, 2018
Cosmopolitan Club
122 East 66th Street, New York City

You can nominate a friend to be honored with a Cosgrave Award by downloading the form at FinchCollege.org (click on the Cosgrave Award on the left side of the home page).

In addition to our annual gala evening, we will be offering several days of museum visits,

tours, cocktail receptions, and dinners over the weekend and days preceding the awards dinner.

Do you have an idea for a tour, visit, or reception? Please contact **Virginia Wattiker Gildea** (212-605-5560; virginiasherin@gmail.com)

The fundraising efforts and events of the Finch College Alumni Association Foundation Trust help establish scholarships that enable outstanding young women to complete their college education. Please contribute!



Faculty Honoree Dr. Joann Catrino Rosenstrach



Honoree Judy Kendall Levine and son Jonathan A. Levine

STUDENT HONOREES

Judy Kendall Levine

After spending her early years in Erie, PA, it was during high school in NYC that Judy discovered she “loved, loved, loved” New York. Judy has “current contact with about 20 Finch friends. By now they are more like sisters, and my Finch friends are truly a blessing.”

Judy spoke poignantly about one friend in particular, her college roommate, Judith Lamstein Charney, who was Judy’s maid of honor at her wedding. Tragically, Judith was killed in an automobile accident, leaving behind two small daughters. Judy spoke highly of these two very accomplished women, and one of Judith’s daughters, a psychologist with the NYC police force, attended the awards dinner.

Judy is a powerful presence in NYC in many areas: as a realtor, interior designer, philanthropist, and location scout with the Mayor’s Office of Film, Theatre and Broadcasting. As a fourth-generation member of prominent developers and investors, Judy brings her business acumen to her real estate business. After taking classes at the New York School of Interior Design, Judy opened her own firm and was a frequent designer at the Kips Bay Decorator’s Show House. Judy’s philanthropic passions have included involvement with the Anti-Defamation League’s Candlelight Ball and the Pediatrics Department at New York Presbyterian Hospital-Weill Cornell Medical Center.

Judy is the proud mother of two sons. Ross is a producer of film and music videos, including one with Beyoncé. Jonathan, a Hollywood film director and writer, whose recent film *Snatched* starred Goldie Hawn and Amy Schumer, made a special trip to fly in and attend the Cosgrave Awards dinner. Judy is also a doting grandmother of two.

Ginger Runes Kiernan Najar

“I am so proud to be a Finch girl,” Ginger beamed from the podium at the awards dinner. “Little did I realize that the women I met would become lifelong friends. I graduated from Finch on Saturday and got married on Sunday. It was the expectation of the era.” Ginger added, “most important, I am blessed with three fabulous sons and five perfect grandchildren!”

Two decades ago, Ginger created an innovative company called Reel Books, selling books about films in movie theatre lobbies. Ginger now continues the work of running the Philosophical Library, founded by her parents, who left Vienna in 1932 with only “their intellect and determination” and a “mission to publish the great works of the European intellectuals who my parents knew and admired.” Ginger’s father was Romanian-born philosopher and scholar Dagobert D. Runes.

Keeping current in the digital era, Ginger is expanding and converting 2500 titles into eBook format, and also releasing adult coloring books in a “Coloring with the Great Thinker” series. Echoing Jessica Cosgrave’s mission, Ginger reminded us that “as humans we must accept change and do our best to thrive in it, but as women we must continue to challenge and change the world.” Ginger concluded by stating, “I am thrilled to receive this award and thrilled to be in the company of my friends and, best of all, my sons.”

Ginger graciously left books on each dinner guest’s seat, including works from the library’s 22 Nobel Prize winners and history’s greatest thinkers, including Albert Einstein and Simone de Beauvoir.

Nancy Ellison Rollnick

Nancy, a second-generation Finch alumna, is enjoying a varied career. Having studied paint-

ing and art history, Nancy said “I had some very inspiring teachers at Finch, and Dr. Marshall Mount brought with him the world of African Art.” Nancy is an award-winning photographer whose work has appeared in *Life*, *Vogue*, and *Vanity Fair* and whose subjects have included Mick Jagger, Tennessee Williams, Boris Yeltsin, Jack Nicholson, and many more. When she was assigned to such far-flung places as Borneo and the Arctic Circle, Nancy exclaimed that she “couldn’t believe this was happening to me.” Nancy’s favorite photograph, however, is the one she took of her daughter, during her own delivery, describing it as the first selfie! Besides publishing 14 books, Nancy also produced numerous notable plays on Broadway, including a revival of *Inherit the Wind*, which received a Tony nomination. Nancy and her husband, William Rollnick, co-chaired the International Red Cross Ball at Mar-a-Lago three years in a row. Speaking as a photographer, Nancy stressed it is “important to not lose focus.” Nancy enthused that she’s “happy I have lived the life I have, married to the man I am, and it’s still happening. I just signed a book deal today!”

Dorothy Peterseil Tananbaum

Dorothy has devoted her life to art and philanthropy, as a principal for many years in the Vanderwoude Tananbaum Gallery, specializing in 20th-century art, and working tirelessly with many Jewish philanthropic causes, particularly focusing on the Holocaust. Dorothy is currently a board member of Facing History and Ourselves, an organization that trains teachers around the world to help students understand what it means to be an “upstander” rather than a “bystander.”

Dorothy recalled that Jessica Cosgrave had a dream to create a school that would “emphasize practical education. She developed a curriculum that offered liberal arts but also taught

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Cosgrave Honoree Toni Tucker and David Randell



Cosgrave Honoree Nancy E. Rollnick and husband Bill Rollnick

women how to convert that liberal arts education into financial independence. No head in the clouds ideology for her.” Dorothy interned under Elaine Varian at the Finch Museum of Art, which Dorothy described as “truly one of the jewels of NYC.” Dorothy expressed that “what we learned in Finch was that just being is not enough. You have to do and you have to give. The Freya Moskowitz Stern Scholarship in her memory certainly highlights this value.”

“I was fortunate to have a living female hero from the very beginning of my life. My mother, Esther Peterseil, here tonight, is a survivor of the Holocaust, of the Auschwitz/Birkenau concentration camp. Finch College was the education that the Nazis denied her. Yes, for me, Finch was an entrée into a world I loved, but for her it was a taste of the next world she never thought possible. I am glad the legacy of Finch lives on. Finch alumni through these scholarships are continuing the vision of what this college was founded to do.”

Dorothy has three children and two grandchildren, and she and her husband Andrew live in NYC. Dorothy’s 93-year-old mother also lives in the same building.

Toni Tucker

After graduating from Finch with an Associate’s degree, Toni returned to school many years later, obtaining a BA with honors from Marymount, doing homework at the same time as her children! Toni spent a further year of study at the International Center of Photography and was a “personal photographer to an Indian guru, traveled the world with her, and it changed my life. My life has been beyond exciting!” Toni’s photographs have appeared in countless magazines and books, including a book called *Zen Dog*. Toni also found time to be a writer, news editor, and field producer with Channel 5 News and a press officer for Senator Gary Hart and Governor Mario Cuomo.

Toni is passionate about dogs: Her bichon, Porter, won best in breed at the Westminster Dog Show and her toy poodle was number one in the country. Combining her love of dogs and children, Toni was involved in setting up a pet therapy program for sick children at Morgan Stanley’s Children’s Hospital at New York Presbyterian. Dividing her time between New York and the Berkshires, Toni is the co-founder and publisher of

Berkshire Style, an online resource magazine for the area. Toni, the mother of two and grandmother of five boys, recalls “one of the great strengths at Finch was having access to all these wonderful people in NYC. I am grateful to Finch College for launching Jessica Cosgrave’s concept.”

Sidonia “Sid” Dalby Guest Speaker

Sid is the Associate Director of Admissions and advisor for the Ada Comstock program at Smith College, a program that enables women of non-traditional college age to complete a Bachelor of Arts degree, either part-time or full-time. Appreciative of the support the Finch Foundation has offered students, Sid said “I want to thank you all for understanding the needs of non-traditional students.” Sid read several quotes from students grateful for their Finch scholarships, saying how much it meant to them and made a difference in their lives.

Sid enjoyed her first visit to the Cosmopolitan Club and said “When Lois Ziegler invited me, I Googled the site and learned that Willa Cather, an author I love, was a member, as well as Eleanor Roosevelt. So I want to begin and end my talk with quotes from each of them.” Sid selected this quote from Willa Cather: “Where there is great love, there are always miracles.” And from Eleanor Roosevelt: “Never mistake knowledge for wisdom. One helps you make a living and the other helps you make a life.”

Sid concluded by saying, “I think Smith is very wise to have the Ada Comstock Scholars Program and I think the Finch Foundation is very wise to support deserving non-traditional women who are earning college degrees. Thank you from the bottom of my heart.”

Article: Agnes Birnbaum

Photos: Margaret Stein Nakamura and Hideaki Nakamura



Honoree Ginger Runes Kiernan Najar with her sons

2017 FINCH COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIPS ARE AWARDED TO 12 OUTSTANDING WOMEN

THE FREYA MOSKOWITZ STERN SCHOLARSHIP



Razieh Arabi: transferring from Queensboro Community College to Baruch College

At age 20, Razieh's family sent her to the United States to marry an Iranian-American citizen. Since his career came first, she quickly realized he would not support her pursuit of education. When their son was one year old, she left her husband and found a job working nights and weekends at Bloomingdale's. Her first triumph came when she was promoted to business manager; this major event made her realize that she would need to further her education in order to be offered further opportunities. Today, 15 years later, she is attending Queensboro CC in New York, in addition to living with and taking care of her son and her parents who just moved to New York.

Razieh enjoyed the study group she created with classmates. When she ran for student government, she was elected treasurer and delegate to the CUNY University Student Senate, and she is a member of Phi Theta Kappa (PTK). She also joined the Fed-Challenge team, in order to learn all about the Federal Reserve System and the economy. She is currently a semi-finalist in the CUNY & Community College Innovation Challenge program where she can develop a business hypothesis. During spring break this year, she participated in the Global Citizen Alliance, an intense weeklong study abroad program in Salzburg, Austria. She looks forward to getting a Bachelor's Degree in accounting and finance at Baruch College.

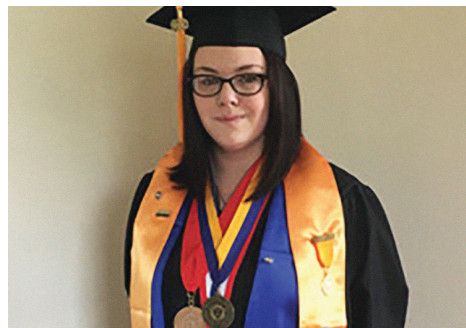
THE LOIS CHILES SCHOLARSHIP



Melissa Baccala: transferring from Housatonic Community College to Mt. Holyoke College

When Melissa was 18, she was not ready for college. But she did discover that having an early career provided stability and an anchor for her. Now, 15 years later, the time was right for her to enter college. Since her employer, Byram Healthcare, knew her to be dependable, hard-working, and conscientious, they allowed her to work part time during the past two years at Housatonic CC. She soon surprised herself by becoming involved with school, and was determined to improve her skills. Her husband, Nick, has been a constant source of support and encouragement. Melissa has made Dean's List, is a member of PTK Honor Society, and graduates with a 3.98 GPA. She wants to consume and learn as much as possible. Although she was accepted at both Yale University and the Ada Comstock program at Smith College, she has chosen to pursue a liberal arts program at Mt. Holyoke College. Her primary areas of interest include History, Literature, and Languages. By postponing her pursuit of higher education, Melissa learned to approach college as a non-traditional student with a fresh perspective.

THE FREYA MOSKOWITZ STERN SCHOLARSHIP



Heather Coggin: transferring from SUNY Broome to Binghamton University

Heather has demonstrated both superb academic achievement and campus leadership. She is a member - as well as President - of PTK Honor Society and also Alpha Beta Gamma, SUNY Broome's two-year Business honor society. She won first place on the All-USA New York Academy Team and was awarded a Bronze Medal and the Coca-Cola Scholarship. This past summer, by attending a PTK International Honor's Institute at Wake Forest University, she experienced dorm life while attending various workshops. Actively involved in Broome campus life, Heather participates in the food pantry, the Parking Appeals Committee, and, as part of the Women's Discussion Group, has donated 116 books to the Women in Prison Project. Her blog, Civic Voices of Democracy's Students, set to publish next May, was designed to inspire and reflect those administrations and students that are going above and beyond the call of duty with service-oriented projects. Now age 26, Heather, until recently, cared for her mother who finally succumbed to cancer. At Binghamton University, she is studying toward a BS in Management Degree with a concentration in Leadership and Consultation, to be followed by a Master's Degree in Business Administration. "I look forward to working at my dream job so I can help students, just as you have helped me," she said.

THE RUTH AND NEIL UNDERBERG SCHOLARSHIP



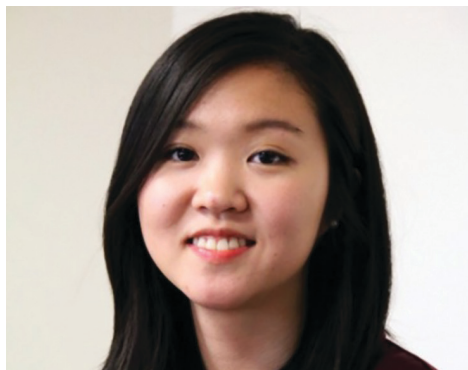
Carolina Dellepiane: transferring from Borough of Manhattan Community College to Smith College

Ten years ago, Carolina arrived alone in the United States, feeling pressure to find work. At times working three jobs, she bought into the idea that no matter how empty she felt inside, money would surely fill the void. She remembered how happy she was while briefly attending college in her native Argentina. Enrolling at Borough of Manhattan CC has helped her gain mastery over her deep insecurities. Last year she presented her first research paper at a behavioral research conference, focusing on the mental health of immigrants, and was honored to win the award for outstanding undergraduate research in

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social justice. Last year, after becoming a mother for the first time, she became determined to be the best possible role model. At Smith College, Carolina plans to study psychology and social justice with the long-range goal of becoming a part of a group of scholars, researchers, and educators who lead the way in addressing and resolving issues. She is studying toward a Bachelor's Degree in psychology and wants to carve a path for social change. She, her partner, Henry, and young child are off to Smith College!

THE FREYA MOSKOWITZ STERN SCHOLARSHIP



Sara Hwang: transferring from Bergen Community College to Rutgers University School of Pharmacy

During her sophomore year in high school, Sara's father was unemployed and the family was living on the street. Compounded by the stress of just being a teenager, the uncertainty of moving constantly, and the stigma associated with poverty, instead of seeking help and talking about it, she pretended everything was fine. She worked two jobs to help her family relocate, and quickly realized that education provided the only way forward. Although Bergen CC opened a food pantry for students, few actually took advantage of it, since the students were ashamed of the pantry's visibility. Entering Bergen CC, she began to step out her comfort zone, to become a leader and build self-confidence. Today, she is a member of PTK, was named a national Distinguished Chapter officer, and was elected to one of only five international officer positions in the PTK Honor Society. She looks forward to attending Pharmacy School at Rutgers University for personal fulfillment, as well as to impact the lives of others. The Finch scholarship will enable her to buy a new computer as well as pay part of her rent.

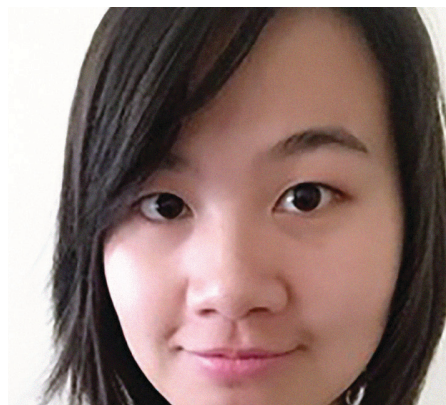
THE DR. MARGARET MAXWELL SCHOLARSHIP



Hassana Falal Iddriss: transferring from Borough of Manhattan Community College to Long Island University, Brooklyn

Although having surgery as a child in Ghana, West Africa was a frightening experience, it was meeting compassionate and caring nurses that fostered Hassana's dream of becoming a nurse. One young nurse in particular inspired her to want to make people comfortable and happy. Today she is determined to achieve her dream and serve her fellow citizens. Working part time for tuition and books, Hassana also enrolled in Borough of Manhattan CC, focusing all her energy on education and receiving a degree. She has a GPA of 4.0 in nursing prerequisites, is a member of PTK Honor Society, and was asked by the learning resource center of her school to be a supplemental leader for other biology students. She is excited by the prospect of entering the premier nursing program of Long Island University's Brooklyn campus to earn a Bachelor's Degree. Her scholarship came at just the right time, she says, and it will be applied toward tuition and lessening her part time work hours. Becoming a nurse will provide her the financial means to support her mother. The Dr. Margaret Maxwell Scholarship, which honors the Finch history professor for whom it is named, is awarded to a scholar who has overcome adversity.

THE FINCH COLLEGE FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIP



Huibin Liu: transferring from Queensboro Community College to Baruch College

Huibin is from a traditional Chinese family in which a girl's education is not considered to be important. Her parents' dearest wish is for her to marry, have children, and help her husband support the family. At age 28, she was earning a high enough salary in China to support the family, working in HR. When the family migrated to the United States, not speaking a word of English, she got a waitress job in a Japanese restaurant to support her mother and brother. Believing in the importance of a higher education, she enrolled at Queensboro CC. Her first semester advisor suggested business administration as a major, and she quickly discovered she had an aptitude for math, particularly for analyzing data and solving mathematical problems. While solving analytical problems came easily to her, mastering the English language became a struggle. Therefore, she participated in discussion groups and enrolled in courses in the humanities, social sciences, and history. These basic liberal arts and science studies were vital if she were to transfer credits to Baruch College, which had become her

goal. She has participated in the Emerging Leaders Program and was senator of the Asia Society Club, planning events, all of which have helped develop her leadership skills and mastery of English. Her goal is to gain a Bachelor's and Master's Degree in the science of statistics in order to become a statistician.

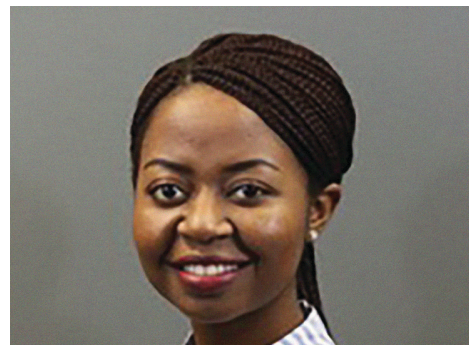
THE DOROTHY PETERSEIL TANANBAUM SCHOLARSHIP



Yehides Moskovits: transferring from Rockland Community College to Columbia University

Raised in an ultra-orthodox Jewish community, Yehides lived by the strict guidelines of sheltered family-centric values: girls were groomed for marriage to a husband chosen by her parents, and were to raise a large family immediately. Two years after high school, Yehides was married for one tremendously difficult year before moving back home. One good thing is that she enrolled in Rockland CC at night, while her husband looked away as she also worked full time. Diving enthusiastically into her studies, she discovered biology and chemistry for the first time. An anthropology class sparked her interest in studying diverse people of the world. As a humanities major with a love of science, she thinks of herself as a paradox. She has been selected a semifinalist for the prestigious Jack Kent Cooke Memorial Transfer Scholarship and was honored with the SUNY Chancellor's Award for Student Excellence. Her life has been enriched with new friends and mentors. While she was also accepted at Johns Hopkins University, Yehides will attend Columbia University to study Anthropology and work on completing pre-med prerequisites, with a goal toward becoming a pediatric surgeon.

THE FREYA MOSKOWITZ STERN SCHOLARSHIP



Asia Luna Ntampuhwe: transferring from Erie Community College to Binghamton University

Originally from the Democratic Republic of Congo, Asia, along with her mother and five siblings, fled a political war and sought refuge in Kenya, where they were given a second chance.

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Language was a major barrier as English became the new language; the family became excellent writers and speakers. They lived with refugee status, which meant applying for financial aid through UNHCR. To this day, she is forever grateful for the help provided by a private sponsor, which enabled her to study and complete her primary school education, with excellent grades. A different scholarship enabled her to attend one of the best Kenyan high schools. At this high school, she improved in social interaction, and developed a deep love for community service. Two years ago, Asia and her family arrived in the US on a refugee visa and she enrolled in Erie CC at the first chance she had. Being a member of PTK Honor Society helped expose her to community outreach, great scholarships, and leadership opportunities. She became part of a group of students that organized a Thanksgiving dinner for the homeless. At Binghamton University she will pursue an Actuarial Science degree. Asia credits most of her educational progress to the many folks who have willingly given support to her in time, mentorship, money, and energy. Aspiring to be a youth mentor, Asia is passionate about personal growth through mentorship.

THE FINCH COLLEGE FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIP



Mariem Tolba: transferring from Norwalk Community College to Baruch College

Mariem is from Mauritania, a small country in northwest Africa where tribes and family names play a huge role in social order. Her family is a member of the Dawaali tribe, one of the largest and most respected tribes, primarily because of their emphasis on education. Being a "Toba" girl immediately brought respect. At age 13, her family moved to the capital, Nouakchott. It was difficult, as no one knew her tribe and she had to adjust and create her own identity. When she came to the US in 2013, she had an opportunity to start her education anew. Not speaking

English, she enrolled in the English as a Second Language (ESL) program at the University of Bridgeport. A year later, she entered Norwalk CC, majored in Accounting, and was impressed with clear, precise, unified regulations to record a company's transactions. She cannot wait to learn more and have enough knowledge and experience to open an accounting firm in Mauritania to help reduce the enormous amount of fraud cases. Entering Norwalk CC, she immediately became involved in the Peace Club, community service, collecting clothes, and raising money for refugees. She joined a Model United Nations Club, the Accounting Society, and the PTK Honor Society. She has tutored fellow students and received the Woman of Promise and Distinction Award. The past two years have changed her life and she looks forward to attending Baruch College to complete her degree in accounting.

THE FINCH COLLEGE FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIP



Aquella White: transferring from Westchester Community College to the University of Connecticut

Despite her modest beginnings, Aquella has always been optimistic about her future. She does not live with or speak to her mother, who has no interest in understanding the educational journey her daughter has undertaken. Aquella once thought that subsisting through dependence on government largesse was the norm; however, she now realizes it is much more fulfilling when working toward an objective. Proud of her Associates Degree from Westchester CC, Aquella believes that, with perseverance and optimism, she has a good chance to succeed. She is now actively engaged in various campus activities, has had a 4.0 GPA each semester, and worked part time for the State Society of Public Accountants. She received the 2017 Curriculum Award in Accounting, and takes great pride in her prospective career as an accountant, seeing herself as a future CPA. Accounting has provided the steppingstone to greater awareness of the world around her. Says Aquella: "Words cannot express the gratitude I feel knowing that a prestigious panel of college professors read my essay, took note of

my accomplishments, and understood the difficulties I have endured."

FINCH COLLEGE FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIP



Sandra Wollschlager: transferring from Borough of Manhattan Community College to Hunter College

Nine years ago, Sandra arrived from Germany as an au pair, with the promise of accommodation and the opportunity to interact with a new culture and learn English. Now she appreciates this experience as she has grown as a person, become self-confident and independent, and gained self-determination.

Her goal is to become a nurse and help those in need, to the best of her ability. Having seen sickness in her family, she believes she can make a difference in peoples' lives. She has always related well to children, and will specialize in pediatric nursing. Clinical rotations on the pediatric floor in the nursing program at Borough of Manhattan CC, has reassured her determination. While working part time as a restaurant hostess, she earned the highest GPA average in nursing classes and has been accepted for the outstanding nursing program of CUNY Hunter College, which will afford her the opportunity to receive training from the best and brightest students and professors in New York. She will apply her Finch College scholarship toward tuition.

Article: Lois Moran Ziegler

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CLASS NOTES

40s

"How to Stay Young" should be **Thelma Frye's** motto! At age 92, she says she is having one of the best years of her life. This autumn, Thelma has a TV series that she filmed in May and June. In October, she is doing a theatre reading of her play based on the life of Golda Meir. Aside from her work schedule, she jet sets from Lapland (where she rode on a dog sled last March) to Wimbledon in July (where she saw the Men's Finals).

50s

Nancy Azara (Class of 1959) continues with her profession as an artist. Her gallery schedule is as follows: September 10, Cornish, NH; October 14-November 26, Woodstock, NY.

60s

The Frick Collection's Senior Curator, **Susan Grace Galassi, PhD** (Finch Class of 1969), hosted a virtual tour of "*Turner's Modern and Ancient Ports: Passages through Time*" on Paula Zahn's PBS show, NYC ARTS. The well-received exhibit was at the Frick from February 23 to May 14, 2017. In 1996, Susan published *Picasso's Variations on the Masters*.

Finch attendee and 1996 Rock n' Roll Hall-of-Famer, **Grace Slick**, was included in San Francisco's de Young Museum's major exhibit "*Summer of Love Experience. Art, Fashion, and Rock 'n' Roll*."

"**Cassie**" (**Mrs. Frank**) **Sheffield Kernan**, a graduate of Miss Hall's School in Massachusetts and The Villa Mercedes in Italy, attended Finch from 1963-65. Living in New York City, she taught at the New York School of Nursery Years and returned to Finch where she took Early Childhood Education classes. She raised her three children in Bedford, New York, where she taught aerobic dancing, belly dancing, and tap, as well as jazz exercise. As a National Connecticut representative, Cassie was a sleep-away camp consultant for "*Tips on Trips*." Today, she divides her time (November to May) between Boca Grande, Florida where she volunteers for the Garden Club, and is instrumental in booking programs for the Women's Club. Like Wesley, Cassie spends June to October at Fishers Island, New York.

Susan Cole attended Finch as a part-time student, possibly Finch's first, and had the distinction of having her four-year-old daughter attend her graduation. She has a great grand-daughter, Doris Ann, now 17 months old.

Former Cosgrave Award recipient, **Catharine Cline Hamilton** (Finch Class of 1969) has her three homes on the market in order to simplify her life. Originally from Amarillo, Texas, Catharine lived with **Wesley Cullen Davidson** (Finch Class of 1969), **Bonnie Burton**, and **Susan Rukyhaber** in Cosgrave House her freshman year. Catharine is President of the American Friends of Versailles.

Advertised on the front page of *The Wall Street Journal's* "Mansion" section, Catharine and her husband David Hamilton have put their three French-decorated homes up for sale, and claim that they "will sell whichever one catches the best price first." The homes include a chateau in Normandy listed for \$8.21 million, a Paris duplex listed for \$12.9 million, and a Lake Shore Drive Chicago apartment listed for nearly \$10 million. Any interested parties?

On June 15, 2017, **Wesley Cullen Davidson** presented a workshop entitled "*When a Loved One Comes Out: The Family Dynamic & Mental Health Complications*," with a New York therapist for The Mental Health of America Conference in Washington, DC.

Former President of the Finch College Alumni Association, **Cheryl Young Deknatel**, is dividing her time between Miami and Essex, Connecticut where her two daughters are "within ten minutes."

Son, Cristin, and his family in Holland, along with husband Jan's mother, recently rented a house, Greystones, near Dublin, Ireland for a fabulous family vacation. The highlights of the trip were Powerscourt Estate, located in Enniskerry, County Wicklow, Ireland, noted for both its house and its beautifully landscaped gardens. Another impressive sight was Glendalough, also in County Wicklow, that had monastic ruins founded in the sixth century by St. Kevin, and Avoca, the world's oldest mill-surviving manufacturing company, within driving distance of Dublin. They were especially intrigued with mining magnate, Chester Beatty's, collection, which contained manuscripts and books dating from 2700 BC.

Barbara Richards Pitney (Finch Class of 1960) is still working in the travel business. She reports that husband, Phillip's chronic Lyme disease has improved, thanks to a holistic diet. Her project, *Curbing Hunger*, yielded over 50,000 pounds of food in June in schools and at the Farmer's Market!

Syida Long, a 1961 graduate, writes that this past May she traveled to Vienna with her daughter. As a lay Dominican, Syida met and was photographed with Dominican Cardinal Schonborn

during Napa Institute's five-day retreat.

70s

Congratulations to **Felice Axelrod** (Finch Class of 1971) on being chosen as an honoree at this year's "*Breakfast of Legends*" benefiting Mount Sinai Adolescent's Health Center. Since 1968, MSAHC has been Manhattan's largest provider of free high-quality comprehensive health and wellness services for 10- to 24-year-olds. Felice has been a Board Member for many years.

Renée Pappas is back in Manhattan. An executive producer for a documentary about Romniote Jews of Greece, Renée is the North American representative for Atelier 144, a Paris-based company of interactive exhibitions. Next February, Atelier is having an exhibit of "Great Black Music" at the Arts and Cultural Center in Brooklyn's Bedford Stuyvesant.

North Carolina native, **Melanie Jamgochian Mitchell** (Finch Class of 1974), visited **Julie Vasques Horns** (Finch Class of 1975) in Bonita Springs on Florida's west coast. They attended a private party at a Naples, FL gallery featuring the collections of iconic 1960s psychedelic painter, Peter Max.

Ellen Easton discovered illustrator Bob Schulenberg's sketch of **Mrs. Elayne Varian**, Curator of the Finch College Museum's Modern Wing, in *New York Social Diary*, CXIX. Schulenberg, who majored in Fine Art/Painting and Motion Picture Animation at UCLA before coming to New York, had met Mrs. Varian at the furrier Jacques Kaplan's apartment on November 23, 1967, and was planning on submitting his own movie "*Secret Cinema*."

Evelyn Lorentzen Bell joined a hiking tour of Bavarian lakes sponsored by Butterfield & Robinson. Starting in Salzburg, she and friends hiked for six days to Munich. "Byrdie" Bell, Evelyn's model/actress daughter, can be seen on Bravo's *Odd Mom Out*, now in its third season.

IN MEMORIAM

As this newsletter went to press, we learned of the loss of devoted Finch alum, newsletter contributor, and supporter, Laura Hockaday, of Kansas City. Laura led a fascinating life, which will be celebrated in the manner it deserves in our next issue.

IN THE SPOTLIGHT: EILEEN BLUESTONE SHERMAN

Award-winning playwright, lyricist, young adult novelist, and theater and music producer, **Eileen Bluestone Sherman**, found a way, early on, to channel and combine her passion for the arts and education.

Just five days after graduation after four years at Finch as a Theatre Arts major, Eileen Bluestone, who grew up one block from the ocean in Atlantic City, New Jersey, married her high school sweetheart, medical school student Neal Sherman. After a one-night honeymoon, they left for upstate New York, so Neal could attend school at Albany Medical Center and Eileen would receive a Masters in theatre from SUNY/Albany. It was during this time that she began developing musical theatre for preschoolers and took her first job, at the Jewish Community Center at Albany.

After Neal's graduation from medical school, the couple spent three years in Danbury, Connecticut for Neal's residency. During this time, they also became new parents. Following residency, the family moved to Kansas City, Missouri. It was there, while perusing *The Kansas City Star* newspaper, that an audition notice for a new children's theater, The Coterie, sponsored by Kansas City-based Hallmark Cards, caught Eileen's eye. With daughter, Jenny, now enrolled in Montessori preschool, and two-month-old son, Joshua, at home in the afternoon with his nanny, Eileen decided to audition with a story she had written a couple years earlier, hoping to turn it into a picture book. Despite rejection by every publisher to whom she had submitted it, she held on to the manuscript. Since the story was originally written in long poem form, Eileen set to work editing and adapting one particular section that she thought could serve well as a suitable audition piece. Her hunch paid off, for, after the audition, the director asked her where she had found the monologue. When Eileen explained that she had, in fact, written it herself, the director hired her to write for The Coterie.

Eileen's first musical for The Coterie was *Me, Myself, and I*, a play consisting entirely of vignettes about growing up. The director had requested a script in the style of the then-popular children's entertainment project, *Free To Be You and Me*, by Marlo Thomas. One of the scenes from her first play inspired Eileen's second musical for The Coterie, *Rotten Apples*, for which she wrote the book and lyrics and for which her sister, Gail, wrote the music.

This happened in 1984, the same year Eileen's picture book, *The Odd Potato*, was published. When she first saw the illustrations of artist Katherine Janus Kahn, Eileen immediately thought the book could be adapted as a family-friendly musical, and that it would be a perfect fit for Jewish Community Center theaters nationwide. After reaching out to the directors of these theaters, 30 JCC's around the country ended up

staging the musical, which, once again, was created by the Bluestone Sisters.

Move Over, Blues Brothers - Here Come the Bluestone Sisters!

The Odd Potato was inspired by the story of their dad's childhood during the Great Depression. Originally created as a picture book by Eileen, the Bluestone Sisters' musical television adaptation received an Emmy Award in 1990, and in 1994, *The Odd Potato* was produced at New York's Merkin Concert Hall. In 2003, the musical was presented at Symphony Space in Manhattan as *Broadway Sings the Odd Potato*, starring Frank Gorshin and Charlotte Rae, with direction and choreography by four-time Tony nominee, Randy Skinner.

Knowing full well that the show would need an album or a CD, Eileen partnered with Variety The Children's Charity in Kansas City, where she found the perfect hook: "Tony Award Winners Sing Out for Variety's Kids." In 2005, Eileen and her son, Josh, produced *The Odd Potato: The Broadway Album*, starring 20 Tony Award winners including Sutton Foster, Elaine Stritch, Hal Prince, and others, and narrated by Judd Hirsch, to benefit Variety the Children's Charity of Kansas City. The show's "One More Day," recorded by Hal Linden, received a Global Music Silver Medal Award for "Best Traditional Pop Single." Although the album did not receive a Grammy nomination, it firmly established Eileen as an official Grammy voter, and she has been an active member of the Recording Academy ever since.

Last Fall, Gail and Eileen were the featured songwriters at Broadway's Future Songbook Series at Lincoln Center, with an all-star Broadway cast for their concert musical, *Perfect Picture*, which made its debut that same evening. The show, about iconic American artist, Norman Rockwell, was presented at Hallmark Cards' Crown Center in Kansas City in February 2017, as a benefit performance for the National Council of Jewish Women of Greater Kansas City. (The "All Broadway" studio cast recording is available at www.cdbaby.com.) The studio cast album, *Perfect Picture*, also received the Global Music Silver Medal Award for "Best Musical Theater Album." (Finch alums may remember attending a performance of an early version of *Perfect Picture* at the Blue Heron Theatre, which was led by Finch professor and mentor, **Dr. Ardelle Stryker**.)

In 2016, the sisters' "A Child's Dream Will Light the Way," recorded by Tony and Emmy Award winner Lillias White, debuted on UNESCO's world peace album, *Action Moves People United*, and received a Global Music Silver Medal Award for "Best Gospel Song."

Eileen and Gail's songs are also featured on the musical web series, *Charmers*. Their song, "I



Eileen Bluestone Sherman

Keep Christmas in My Pocket," also performed by White – this time, as the "Christmas Loon" – earned them a 2017 Hollywood Music in Media nomination for holiday music. (The winners will be announced this November.)

In Spring 2018, the women's latest song, "Stand Up Proud," will be released as a single and will serve as the musical theme for the debut of The Four Freedoms FestivalSM, scheduled for Summer 2018 in Arlington, Vermont.

Eileen is also a prolific book author. Her award-winning young adult novel, *Monday in Odessa*, received the National Jewish Book Award; *Independence Avenue* received the International Reading Association's Teachers' Choice Award; and *The Violin Players* earned a Thorpe Menn Honorable Mention.

This Fall, Eileen will begin her 20th year as an adjunct faculty member at Baker University, teaching dramatic literature online. She recently co-founded - with the award-winning indie artist Grant Maloy Smith - The Indie Collaborative, a group of award-winning independent ("indie") music artists from all over the globe, which fosters new and unique musical collaborations. It is fast approaching the 1800-membership mark worldwide. For more information about Eileen's future projects, visit her website, EBS Originals, at www.ebsoriginals.com.

Eileen and Neal Sherman have been married nearly 45 years. Daughter Jenny heads her own law firm where she practices commercial real estate and entertainment law. Son Joshua - a physician (like his dad) and a theater and music producer (like his mom) - is currently creating an entire complex for the arts (theater, music, dance, art, film, and literature) in Arlington, Vermont. Six-year-old granddaughter, Allegra, is a first grader, and Eileen's biggest fan!

Article: Wendy Glickstein

Photo: Jeff Fasano Photography (courtesy of Eileen Bluestone Sherman)

UPDATE FROM OUR AMAZING FINCH SCHOLARS



(Left to right) Chu Mai Paing, Carmen Guillen, Amey Shue, Naomi Shibuya, and Jiahui Zheng after a July get-together in Manhattan

May 11, 2017 marked the fifth year in a row that Finch alums and Cosgrave Award recipient Ginger Runes Najar graciously hosted our annual celebration to honor all Finch Scholars past and present. As always, Ginger's wonderful home served as a stunning backdrop to what is always a warm and memorable event.

As has become our tradition, mid-way through the festive cocktail party, the piano music (performed by the very talented Matt Veligdan) stopped. Then, each Scholar took "center stage" in Ginger's elegant living room and formally introduced herself. While they hail from all over the world and have a wide variety of career goals, our scholars all share resiliency, determination, and that "can-do" spirit. As many described their earlier lives, the audience soon appreciated that, too often, these very attractive, articulate, and energetic women had already combatted many crises in their still very young lives. No one dwelled on those old battles, however. Instead, each shared current achievements, future goals, and uniformly thanked the women of Finch for helping them make their dreams come true.

Of course, all were looking forward to summer, and rightfully so. After all, everyone needs a bit of "R & R." In early July, I checked in with our scholars (either in person or via email) to find out just how they were spending the summer. As you might guess, our scholars were doing much more than relaxing!

CARMEN GUILLEN

FREYA MOSKOWITZ STERN AWARD

Carmen wrote: "Back in May, I participated in El-evate, PwC's (Pricewaterhouse Coopers) Leadership Conference, in Stamford, CT. I had the opportunity to meet PwC professionals and learn about the firm's culture. We also had the opportunity to do some community service which was really fun. At the end of the conference, I was offered an internship for the winter of 2018. In the beginning of June, I did my second leadership conference, this time with Deloitte. This

one is called "Envision." At the end of the program, I was offered an internship for the summer of 2018. Also in June, I participated in my third and last leadership program, RSM's Pathways. I am happy to say that I received an offer for an internship for next summer. I am currently in the process of figuring out which offer to accept. However, I am leaning toward RSM, since this company offers more of the flexibility I am looking for based on my plans after graduation.

I am currently doing the Launch Internship at Ernst & Young. The Launch Internship focuses on identifying and retaining talent from under-represented minorities. I finished my first rotation in Risk Advisory last week and started my rotation in Assurance today. I am loving every minute of it!"

AMEY SHUE

JONATHAN STERN SCHOLARSHIP

Amey said: "This summer is an eventful one, for certain! I am volunteering at New York Presbyterian Hospital-Weill Cornell Medical Center for the Milkshake Program, where I make and deliver milk shakes to oncology patients who have undergone bone marrow transplant, chemotherapy, and radiation therapy, under the supervision of the nutrition department. Additionally, I have been working alongside my nutritional biochemistry professor at NYU Medical Center's translational research for population health department learning research coordinator experiences. I continue to practice massage therapy, and am now volunteering my services with the Massage Williamsburg team for Sanctuary for Families staff, who tirelessly volunteer their services to domestic and gender violence victims. I also volunteered this summer with the Billion Oyster Project on Governor's Island. In my spare time, I enjoy riding my bicycle and beach camping with friends, and I am planning a trip to Yellowstone National Park. Finally, I am gearing up for my last year at NYU, where I plan to study abroad in either Paris (learning more about the flavor and perfume industry) or Buenos Aires (learning more about public health policy)."

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YUELI CHEN
FREYA MOSKOWITZ STERN AWARD



Yueli reported: "I am currently at Tulane University and participating in an NSF REU program (National Science Foundation/Research Experiences for Undergraduates). I'm so happy that this is my third year participating in the REU program. Usually, a person can participate only once in a lifetime. This is a ten-week paid internship."

NAOMI SHIBUYA
FINCH COLLEGE FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIP

Naomi wrote: "This summer I have had the pleasure to volunteer at the New York Botanical Garden. During the week, I help out with the horticultural operations in the Children's Education Garden, as well as lend a hand in their production greenhouses that house plants for future exhibitions. At the moment, we are preparing plants for the Kiku exhibition in November. Even though it has only been one month since I started working, I feel that I have gained so much in areas of plant growth habits and maintenance. I try to put this knowledge into practice using our own family garden. In the spare time that I have, I work part-time at a yoga studio, occasionally taking classes, and tend to our garden as well as our neighbors. For the duration of this summer, I plan to continue spending time at the NYBG, gaining as much experience as I can, as well as preparing for classes that are to start up again in August."

AMANDA ENGLISH
DR. KATHERINE HAMPARES SCHOLARSHIP



Amanda reported: "This summer I am getting married! We are having a barn wedding on July 15, 2017, and we leave for our honeymoon the following weekend. My fiancé Kevin and I have been together for ten and a half years. I will send a photo from the wedding later this year!"

VANESSA CARDONA
(FREYA MOSKOWITZ STERN SCHOLARSHIP)



"This summer, following my graduation, I am working in the forensics lab all summer at George Washington University in Washington, DC," Vanessa said. "I would also love to be a Finch mentor, should there be a scholar who is near the Washington, DC area or has interests in science/chemistry/forensics. Thanks again to all the women at the Finch Foundation for all that you do for us!"

CRISTINA MIHAILESCU
FINCH COLLEGE FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIP



Cristina said: "After my Spring graduation from Columbia University, I began an internship with the Economic Transformation Group, a consulting company that works to promote international sustainable development and focuses on regional cluster development programs, incubator projects, technology parks, value chain analysis, capacity building programs, and events such as workshops, summits, and conferences."

Since I joined the company, we worked on the following projects: (1) a proposal for greening of Ethiopian manufacturing industries that aims to support sustainable consumption and production practices among Ethiopian micro and small-scale leather and textile/garments industries; (2) benchmarking inter-

national free trade zone and logistic cluster to support sustainable development of the free trade zone of Iquique (ZOFRI), Chile; and (3) a white paper to promote global collaboration for leadership in ocean sustainable development and support the World Ocean Council in this initiative.

It is very exciting to actually take an active role in promoting sustainable initiatives across the world, and while I am still learning as I go, I am up to the challenge and eager to learn as much as I can from this experience."

CHU MAY PAING
FINCH COLLEGE FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIP

Said Chu May: "I am packing up my household in mid-summer and taking a cross-country adventure across the US, to prepare for my new life in Boulder, Colorado, where I will begin my studies for a doctorate degree in linguistics this fall semester." (Be sure to visit our Facebook page and see the stunning Colorado photos Chu May shared with her Finch family online.)

JIAHUI ZHENG
FREYA MOSKOWITZ STERN SCHOLARSHIP

Jiahui wrote: "This summer I worked for a youth employment program and helped over 700 youths between 16 and 24 years old secure summer jobs. Like an HR person, I took care of their enrollment applications, interviews, job settlements, and follow-ups. It was very challenging since the workload could be very crazy some days. After the program started on July 5, I had to strictly process over 700 payrolls within 2 days every week in order to have every program participant get paid on time. During those two days, phone calls never stopped. Some of them were not satisfied with their jobs/colleagues/supervisors. As this might be their first job experience, some came across a lot of unexpected situations. For instance, I received a phone call from a youth who was working in a fitness center in an Asian community. Since she had no knowledge of Asian languages, she had a very difficult time adjusting to the workplace. Because of it, there were miscommunications between her and the supervisor, which hurt her a lot. I listened to her and tried to put myself in her shoes, helping her get through the situation. She was thinking about quitting at the beginning, but after several talks with me, she decided to take on the challenge and learn from it. In addition to the administrative work, I became a 'big sister' to many. It felt so good to help others."

Initially, I regretted not having an accounting internship this summer. After managing such a big employment program, however, I realized this position was even better. I learned a lot from both my colleagues

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR FINCH INTERN

Best wishes and congratulations to our Finch intern, Kirsten Elizabeth Flicker. In Spring 2017, Kirsten graduated from New York University with a BA in History and a double minor in Politics and Nutrition. Currently, she works as a litigation paralegal at Quinn Emanuel's New York office and begins Fordham Law School in Fall 2018. A staunch supporter of "women helping women" to achieve their educational and career goals, Kirsten helps our Foundation throughout the year as our clerical assistant. Thank you, Kirsten, for all your hard work. The Finch Community wishes you much continued success!

and supervisors, and even my clients. Right now, with more confidence, I'm researching internships for next summer. Since I will be an exchange student in Japan this coming semester (I'm very excited about that), I don't want to miss the fall recruiting season. So, I am researching and preparing in advance."

DERYA LANE

FREYA MOSKOWITZ STERN AWARD



Derya tells us: "While life will have me out on the West Coast this coming year as a paralegal, this summer I returned to New York for a special pre-law school workshop sponsored at Fordham University's Law School campus in Manhattan. Of course, life will have me very busy this year applying to law schools throughout the country. Will keep you posted!"

PHURKIMA SHERPA

KATHERINE SCHLESINGER MICHEL AWARD



Phurkima wrote: "As you know, I am presently serving in the United States Army, training as a health medic. At the moment, I am stationed in breath-taking Hawaii. While my undergraduate degree from Hunter College was in forensics, I am now contemplating a career (through the assistance of the Army) to become a physician assistant. My training continues to be challenging but also very rewarding. Because of my enlistment, not only have I become a US citizen, but after a 15-year separation, my mother will be able to rejoin my father this coming year and receive her Green Card.

So, while it may be another summer come and gone, surely our Finch Scholars proved once more that no matter the season, they know how to make every moment count!

Article: Eileen Bluestone Sherman

OUTSTANDING FALL 2017 FINCH EVENTS PLANNED

Finch alumni, family, and friends are encouraged to participate in the Fall Finch events, which are outstanding this year.

EXPLORE THE CHELSEA ART SCENE

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 19 2:30-6 PM | MEETING PLACE:
THE GAGOSIAN GALLERY, 555 WEST 24TH STREET

A walking tour of Chelsea's art scene, led by art expert, John Delmar, with a final stop at Finch alum Nohra Haime's stunning new gallery (500 West 21st Street). Help us toast Nohra and her newest addition to the New York art world.

TICKETS: \$40.00 (fully tax-deductible); reservation is secured by your pre-paid check.

FINCH SALON SERIES

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 26 5-7:30 PM | MEETING PLACE:
BIRCH WATHEN LENOX SCHOOL, 210 EAST 77TH STREET

We continue our new salon series, this time featuring three prominent Finch women in the New York real estate scene: Judy Kendall Levine, Sally Kraftmeyer Hallows, and Peggy Kutzen Wunderlich. Join us for a fall cocktail party, graciously hosted by the Birch Wathen Lenox School in their lovely rooftop social hall, followed by an informative and always entertaining discussion.

TICKETS: \$30.00 (fully tax-deductible); reservation is secured by your pre-paid check.

THE ARMORY ART AND ANTIQUES SHOW

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 29 12 NOON | MEETING PLACE: THE
PARK AVENUE ARMORY, 643 PARK AVENUE

The TEFAF New York Fall Exhibition begins on Saturday, Oct. 29, 2017. Over 90 dealers will be exhibiting fine and decorative arts and jewelry from antiquity through the early 20th century at this acclaimed international art fair launched last October. The Finch group will meet at noon on Sunday at the historic Park Avenue Armory (643 Park Avenue) in New York City.

TICKETS: \$40.00 (fully tax-deductible); reservation is secured by your pre-paid check. Tickets will be honored through November 1.

FINCH SCHOLAR, EIKO OTAKE, IN AN ALL-DAY PERFORMANCE

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 12 | MET BREUER, 945 MADISON AVENUE AT 75TH STREET, FOLLOWED BY A RECEPTION AT THE HOME OF LOIS ZIEGLER, 829 PARK AVENUE AT 76TH STREET, 5:00-6:30 PM

Eiko Otake, a world-renowned dancer and movement artist, has the unique distinction to be the very first Finch Scholar Eiko can be seen

in performance at the Met Breuer 945 Madison Avenue at 75th Street) throughout the day. Attend at your own convenience. (Check with the Museum for ending time.)

A wine and cheese reception will begin at 5:00 PM at the beautiful home of Scholarship Chairwoman Lois and husband Ron Ziegler at 829 Park Avenue (at the corner of 76th Street). Eiko will join the group shortly thereafter to discuss her "brilliant career."

TICKETS (wine and cheese reception): \$35.00 (fully tax-deductible); reservation is secured by your pre-paid check. Please note: ticket price does NOT include general admission charge to the Met Breuer.

A CABARET EVENING STARRING TENNIE LEONARD

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 5 (DINNER AT 6:00; SHOW AT 7:30 PM) | MEETING PLACE: DON'T TELL MAMA AT 343 WEST 46TH STREET

Arrive for an early "dutch treat" dinner, followed by a fun-filled show featuring New York Cabaret favorite and Finch College's own Tennie Leonard.

DINNER (optional) 6:00 PM (pay at time of service); Show: 7:30 PM.

TICKETS: \$40.00 (\$20.00 is tax deductible)

Two drink (soft or hard) minimum at show
(Please indicate if you will be joining the group for dinner.)

ALL FALL EVENTS REQUIRE REGISTRATION AND PREPAYMENT

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PUBLISHER'S NOTE: Event information was emailed to all known graduates in September. Although some of these events may already have taken place when the newsletter reaches you, be sure to join in the later ones! For early receipt of future information, please send your email address to Finchassoc@gmail.com.

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The Finch College Alumni Association Foundation Trust needs your support to carry on its mission of granting scholarships to worthy candidates. Annual dues are \$50; lifetime membership is \$300. You can also have your friends and associates join as Friends of Finch. Dues are \$50 a year or \$300 for a lifetime membership. Your dues and donations are tax deductible, since we are a nonprofit 501(c)3 organization. Just go to the Finch College website www.FinchCollege.org and click on Membership on the left of the home page to download a form and join. You can mail the form along with your dues to:

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