



Undergraduate Students Show Off Research and Creative Achievements

More than 70 students presented their work from the past academic year at the 5th Annual Undergraduate Research and Creative Achievement Fair. The presentations ranged from papers, posters, and ePortfolios to fine arts pieces, films, music, and theatre performances. The event, which was sponsored by the Castle Scholars Honors Program, took place on April 15 in Reid Castle and was once again organized by students in the program. This year's organizers included Emma Banevicius '17, Arianah Bell '17, Calia Borden '16, Kristin Memoli '15, Megan Quinabo '17, Jatnna Rivas '17, Patricia Rodriguez-Diaz '15, and Bianca Rosario Ramirez '17. [Read more about the fair here.](#)



Manhattanville Student Wins Award for Historical Preservation Research

Tashae Smith '17 was named one of the Open Space Institute's 2015 Barnabas McHenry Hudson River Valley award recipients. Given annually to young leaders working in support of the Hudson River Valley, awardees receive up to \$6,000 to partner with a nonprofit organization and complete a project. Smith plans to research, interpret, and present to local and academic communities about the history of enslaved and indentured African-American labor in the physical construction of Newburgh, New York, with a particular focus on the period from the Revolutionary War to 1840.



Photo Credit: Prof Jim Frank

Manhattanville Cabinet Member Named to Business Council's "Rising Stars" List

Vice President of Undergraduate Enrollment Management Nikhil Kumar '05, MS '09 was named one of the Business Council of Westchester's "Rising Stars — Westchester's Forty Under 40." Modeled after the national business recognition program "40 Under 40," Kumar and the other winners were chosen for their professional accomplishments, leadership qualities, and outstanding success. Kumar first became involved with Manhattanville admissions in 2005, and became Director of Graduate Admissions in 2009 before assuming his current role and responsibilities.



Future Valiants Visit Manhattanville During Spring Open House

The Undergraduate Admissions Office hosted the NYSACAC College Fair and was able to gain a full perspective of how wonderful the newly renovated O'Byrne Chapel is for events. On April 11, approximately 140 students attended the College's Spring Open House and Admitted Student Day, an event that enables juniors and admitted seniors to meet the Valiant community and attend information sessions that cater to their specific interests. In addition nearly 30 admitted students took advantage of attending classes customized to their academic interests. "Transfer Wednesdays," also received a steady flow of student participation and positive responses from students who took advantage of the day's offerings.



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Manhattanville Students and Faculty Visit Brooklyn for Arthur M. Berger Trip

On Sunday, April 19, a busload of students, faculty, and staff from Manhattanville College set off for a day in Brooklyn, with visits to both the Brooklyn Museum and the Brooklyn Botanic Garden. Supported by the Berger Endowment, the trip provided an opportunity for students enrolled in art history classes, as well as interested members of the wider Manhattanville community to explore the strengths of the Brooklyn Museum's collections, especially in African art, American art, Egyptian art and contemporary art. Manhattanville faculty members Briana Jackson, Lisa Rafanelli, and Deborah Saleeby-Mulligan provided guided tours, highlighting the most important works. By mid-afternoon, participants moved into the nearby gardens, where the cherry blossoms were just beginning to bloom. Friends and family members at the passing of Arthur M. Berger, a successful businessman who had begun studying art history at Manhattanville following his retirement, established the Berger Fund more than 30 years ago. The fund provides a public lecture in the fall and trips to museums and/or historical sites both semesters.

Quad Jam Highlights Busy April for Student Activities

Hillel featured a week of programs in honor of Israel Week that included a standing room only performance and discussion by Ido Raichel on April 13, a new tree planted on the Quad on April 14, and various other speakers discussing topics such as the Holocaust and life as an Israeli soldier. The week of programs came to an end with a Shabbat, which the community was invited to attend.

SOCA had its annual Carnival and after-party on Saturday, April 18. Carnival featured musical performances and showcased costumes from the Caribbean. Attendees enjoyed a dinner of traditional Caribbean food while being entertained by students on stage, followed by a dance later in the evening.

Student Activities partnered with Residence Life to hold the third annual Drag Show on Thursday, April 23. MILK, the headliner, engaged the audience of approximately 150 along with guest performers from SUNY Purchase and Manhattanville. At the end of the performances, a discussion was held with the audience.

Quad Jam 2015, planned by representatives from the Campus Activities Board, MVL Radio, Residence Life, and Alumni Relations featured student and guest performers including Alex Berne '03. During the performances, students engaged their friends in various activities and enjoyed Mr. Softee, Super Duper Weenie, fried Oreos, and more. The event concluded with a performance from student band "Out of Mana," which won the Battle of the Bands.



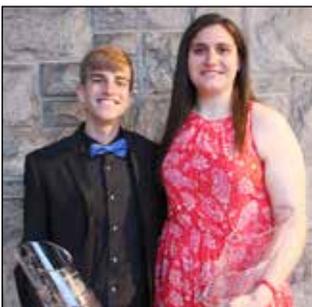


Alumni Gather, Receive College Updates in California

The Office of Alumni Relations and Annual Giving traveled to the West Coast in early April for two alumni events in California. On Sunday, April 12, trustees Maura Burke Morey '62 and Mary Foley Cooper '69 hosted a brunch in San Francisco and on Monday, April 13, a small alumni dinner event was held in Los Angeles hosted by DeMille Halliburton '88 and Maria Parino Bennett '82. Alumni heard updates from the College on new academic programs, alumni reunion, and alumni involvement opportunities. Recent campus photos were shared with alumni, many of whom had not been back to campus for many years.

The Annual Mary T. Clark Chair Lecture held on Thursday, April 9 featured a presentation by Dr. Amal Marogy titled "Middle Eastern Christian Women: What it Takes to Survive." Dr. Marogy, an affiliated researcher in Neo-Aramaic Studies at the University of Cambridge, is also the Founder and Executive Director of the Aradin Charitable Trust.

More than 60 alumni and friends returned to campus to enjoy Quad Jam 2015 at the sixth annual alumni beer garden.



Caiazzo and McGlone Named Manhattanville Athletes of the Year

Senior Alyson Caiazzo of the women's basketball team and junior Austin McGlone of the men's cross country and track teams were named Manhattanville's 2014-15 "Athletes of the Year" to highlight nine award winners honored at the department's annual awards banquet, held on April 28. Caiazzo was named to the D3hoops.com All-Region second team as a senior and set new career program records in rebounds, steals, and field-goal percentage this season, while McGlone posted the fastest 8K and 5K times in cross country program history and has set five records on the track so far this year. In addition, Christoffer Staahl (MSOC) and Alexis Ventarola (SB) were named Rookies of the Year, Kevin Struempfler (MHOC) and Alyssa Casino (WVB/SB) were honored as Scholar-Athletes of the Year, Alexis Lanzillotti (WTRACK) was given the Athletic Director's Award, Ezra Kauffman-Rogoff (MSOC) took home the Sports Medicine Award, and trustee Marty Clague was awarded the Valiant Plaque.



Manhattanville Celebrates National Library Week and Money Smart Week

As part of National Library Week celebrations, the library hosted a bagel breakfast for the Manhattanville community, gave tours of library spaces, introduced available resources, and gave a special sneak peek of Special Collections with Librarian and Archivist Lauren Ziarko. The library staff would like to thank Jennifer Messina in Human Resources for helping to coordinate this event.

On Thursday, April 22, Professor Jim Bryan gave an insightful presentation entitled "How to Get Rich (Not So) Quick: The Path to Financial Independence," as part of the library's Money Smart Week initiative. Dr. Bryan highlighted the benefits of saving and provided methods and strategies for achieving lifelong financial independence. The library is very grateful to Dr. Bryan for participating in this important initiative and sharing his expertise with our community.



The Rose Institute Awards First Cohort with Certificates

The First Cohort Annual Certificate Celebration for the Rose Institute for Learning and Literacy took place with Corinne Rello-Anselmi, deputy chancellor for Specialized Instruction and Student Support, New York City Department of Education, as the keynote speaker.

The 10th Annual Changing Suburbs Institute® (CSI) Educational Forum featured Lily Wong Fillmore, professor emerita of education at the University of California at Berkeley, and Angelica Infante-Green, NYSED associate commissioner, as the keynote speakers. Three school district administrators were honored with CSI Friendship Awards because of their early, consistent support of CSI's goals and programs.

The 6th Annual Student Research Day showcased masters and doctoral students' research through paper and poster presentations from the childhood, early childhood, educational leadership, literacy, and special education programs. The clcu grant for the mid-Hudson Region sponsored regional meetings (with four hours of online instruction) for adjunct instructors and cooperating teachers on edTPA and the new teacher certification requirements. With funds from the clcu Institutional Allocation Grant, Manhattanville sponsored three professional development sessions for faculty focused on the ALST and EAS statewide tests for course integration, simulating the process of submitting edTPA and the role of reviewers, and incorporating video into coursework as a tool for self-reflection.



Leaders from Nonprofit Organizations Share their Experience with Students

The Center for Career Development (CCD) hosted its second Nonprofit Networking Night on Thursday, April 23, which featured keynote speaker Antoinette Klatsky, co-creator of the Eileen Fisher Leadership Institute and program director for the Eileen Fisher Community Foundation, along with panelists from a variety of nonprofit organizations within the Westchester and Fairfield county areas. Klatsky, along with the other panelists shared their personal and professional stories about their career beginnings and continued experiences within the nonprofit world and encouraged Manhattanville students to follow their passion. Following the presentation students networked with guests and learned about internship opportunities currently available within some of the organizations. The panel included: Lisa Binsley, American Heart Association; Kristen Tomasiweicz, Kids in Crisis; Nathalie Monin Voelker, Volunteer New York; Christopher McGilvery, Give More Hugs; John Rice, Rye YWCA; and Emilie Latainer, Tommie Cares Foundation. Additional representatives that joined the networking hour included Melissa Basile, Kids in Crisis; Tara Jorski and Nikki Josephs, Give More Hugs.



Women's Leadership Institute Brings Leaders to Campus for Panel Event

The Women's Leadership Institute of the Manhattanville School of Business hosted the panel discussion, "Being the Boss," on April 14. Moderated by News 12 Westchester's Janine Rose, the panel of influential female leaders shared experiences as they rose to their posts and the lessons learned along the way. The "Being the Boss" panel was made up of Clare LeGal, vice president, Fraud Intelligence & Reduction Solutions, MasterCard; Maria Imperial, CEO, YWCA; Fabienne Fredrickson, founder of The Client Attraction Business School; and Jackelyn Melia, employee benefits manager, USI Insurance Services.

MEDIA MENTIONS

- Corporate Learning Services Article in [Westfair Online](#)
- Manhattanville Professor Joins [Podcast](#) to Discuss Armenian Migration during the Ottoman Empire
- Manhattanville College Chaplain Urges Astorino to Require [Affordable Housing in Harrison](#)
- Manhattanville School of Business WLI Hosts [Being the Boss Panel](#)
- Lisa Dolling [Hired as Provost](#)
- Manhattanville Stands as a Strong Supporter of [Westchester Based Teacher Initiative](#)
- The Journal News Publishes Article Written by [Manhattanville Professor](#)
- Phillip Honovich '12 Featured in [Fortune](#)

MAY EVENTS

- May 7 – School of Business and School of Education Open House
- May 9 – Annual History Alumni BBQ
- May 9 – 10th Annual Gregg Reidy '98 Memorial Basketball Classic
- May 13 – Masters at Work, M.F.A. in Creative Writing Graduates Reading
- May 14 – School of Education Graduate Awards & Recognition Ceremony
- May 14 – Graduate and Doctoral Commencement
- May 15 – Baccalaureate Commencement
- May 16 – Undergraduate Commencement