Upcoming Events

- **Saturday, October 26, 10:30PM-1:30AM — Cultural Celebration Night.** In promotion of collaboration between cultural organizations, effective allyship, intersectionality, and support for each other, the UC is pleased to invite you to a night that celebrates and reaffirms the identities of Harvard College students. Come out for a night of dancing, celebrating, and community. Smith Campus Center.

- **Tuesday, October 29, 6PM — Anthropology, Colonialism, and the Exploration of Indigenous Australia.** In 1938–1939, Harvard University funded an expedition to Australia aimed at understanding how colonization had affected Indigenous peoples and their physiology, and at informing government policy as it shifted from segregation to assimilation. Philip Jones, Senior Curator in Anthropology, South Australian Museum, will set the expedition within the context of anthropological history and explore its complicated legacy. Geological Lecture Hall, 24 Oxford St.

- **Wednesday, October 30, 5-7PM — Mask Decorating at Lamont Library.** Take a break with the First-Year Librarians! Enjoy some refreshments while decorating masks with feathers, paint, glitter, and more. Lamont B30.

- **Wednesday, October 30, 6PM — The Peril and Promise of Solar Geoengineering.** Solar geoengineering research aims to reduce the impacts of global climate change. David Keith will describe the simple physics underlying the climate’s response to stratospheric aerosols, the risks, and the trade-offs among solar geoengineering, carbon removal, and emissions reductions. Geological Lecture Hall, 24 Oxford St.

- **Thursday, October 31, 6-8PM — Trick or Treat: The Crimson Circus.** Need to scare away the midterm season? Feeling lonely and need a boo? Come to trick or treat for tons of candy, enjoy giveaways, a costume contest, and fall-themed foods. As you walk along the candy path, interact with a stilt walker or contortionist. Costumes are very welcome, and if you have the best, you will get a 5lb. candy bar! Get ready for a ghoul time. Harvard Yard.

- **Thursday, October 31, 8PM — BGLTQ+ Halloween Movie Night.** Join your BGLTQ Specialty Proctors and classmates for Halloween Movie Night! We will be screening Casper. There will be copious amounts of candy, pizza, and popcorn! Stop by or stay the whole time. All are welcome. Grays Hall Lower Level.

- **Thursday, October 31, 11PM — Halloween Study Break.** Enjoy Halloween snacks and the Harvard Organ Society’s Spooky Organ Recital. Wear your costume! Memorial Room, Memorial Church Sanctuary.

- **Friday, November 1, 4-5PM — The Challenging Legacy of "West Side Story": A Conversation with Adriana Colón ’12.** Join actor, director, and voice actor Adriana Colón and the cast of West Side Story — presented by Harvard College TEATRO! — for a conversation about cultural issues embedded in the beloved musical. Colón’s artist residency, October 25–November 3, includes advising on theatrical practices of cultural sensitivity. Farkas Hall, 12 Holyoke St.

- **Friday, November 1, 4-8PM — Day of the Dead Celebración Nocturna/ Evening Celebration 2019.** Celebrate Mexico’s iconic Day of Dead. This annual celebration is a festive community event featuring altars, live music, traditional Mexican hot chocolate, and pan de muerto. This event is free; registration is required at: peabody.harvard.edu. Peabody Museum of Archaeology & Ethnology, 11 Divinity Ave.

- **Friday, November 1, 6-8PM — PBHA’s 13th Annual Robert Coles "Call of Service" Lecture & Award.** In 2007, PBHA established a lecture and award that brings a significant figure in public service to campus each year to engender a commitment to service and draw attention to important social issues. This year’s honoree is Cristina Jiménez, Executive Director & Co-Founder of United We Dream! Doors open at 5:30PM. This is a free event; registration required at: pbha.org/stories/coles2019. First Parish Church in Cambridge, Unitarian Universalist, 1446 Mass Ave.

- **Friday, November 1, 8PM — Chords of Might.** The Radcliffe Choral Society and the Harvard-Radcliffe Collegium Musicum present a vibrant selection of timeless and timely choral works — across eras, cultures, and contexts — illuminating narratives of joy, persistence, wisdom, and empathy through song. $5 tickets are available from singers and the Harvard Box Office. Sanders Theatre.

Uncommon Fare

Wednesday, October 16, at the Faculty Club, first-year students shared an intimate dinner with Professor of Psychology, renowned researcher, and author Ellen Langer.
Opportunities for First-Years

Apply to DAPA. DAPAs are health opinion leaders who serve as resources to their peers; liaisons to their House Communities; and ambassadors for the Office of Alcohol & Other Drug Services. To become a certified DAPA, students are required to participate in 24 hours of training scheduled to take place over the first weekend of the Spring Term. For more information on the application process, please visit: harvardedapa.org/apply. Application deadline is Friday, November 1.

Enter Your Collection for the 2019-20 Visiting Committee Prize for Undergraduate Book Collecting. Do you collect books of a certain type, on a particular topic or theme, or for a special reason? If so, enter this year’s Undergraduate Book Collecting Prize competition. The first prize is $3,000, the second $1,500, and the third $750. More detailed information about the Visiting Committee Prize, including the entry rules, can be found at: bit.ly/BookCollecting. Notify Marty Schreiner, the Librarian of Lamont Library and Director of Maps and Media Services, of your intention to apply by Friday, December 13: lamadmin@fas.harvard.edu. The deadline for submitting an essay and annotated bibliography describing your collection is Friday, February 14, 2020.

Get Creative for the ARTS FIRST Sticker Design Contest. Into graphic design? Like the color purple? Then enter a contest to design a sticker to be distributed during the ARTS FIRST Festival, Harvard's annual celebration of student and faculty creativity! This is a chance to have your work featured as one of the official stickers for the festival, which features 2,000+ student artists and arts leaders, and hosts up to 15,000 attendees. Winner will receive a $100 gift certificate to a local art store and will be featured in promotional and marketing material related to the festival, including the ARTS FIRST Guide. Submission deadline: Wednesday, January 22, 2020. For entry details, visit: ofa.fas.harvard.edu/arts-first-sticker-design-contest.

Resources for First-Years

Thinking Outside the (HOLLIS) Box: Databases Every First Year Should Know. Bring your laptop and your questions to this one-hour session with Sue Gilroy, Lamont Research Librarian, where we’ll introduce you to Harvard’s ever-expanding universe of subject databases. We’ll explain why — and when — you’ll need them for research projects, where to find them, and how to make smart choices among the options that we offer. We’ll share strategies for searching them, alongside HOLLIS, for sources that are authoritative, current, and peer-reviewed. We’ll also give you a list of our top picks for other kinds of information, like news, film, and quick statistics! Monday, October 28, 7:30-8:30PM, or Friday, November 8, 12-1PM, Lamont Library B30.

First-Year Arts Room Open Hours. Thanks to all who came out for the Arts Room Pumpkin Decorating Night. Next week we will have more pumpkins for anyone who wants to celebrate the season during our Open Hours. Please stop by! Monday, October 28, 8-10PM, First-Year Arts Room, Holworthy Basement.

Advising Corner. Stop by the Advising Corner table near the exit in Annenberg, 11:30-2PM (over lunch), to ask questions and get advice on everything from course selection, research options, and post-college planning. Visit these concentration advisors next week: Neuroscience—Wednesday, October 30. For more info on first-year advising, visit: advising.college.harvard.edu.

Writing the American Academic Essay for International Students. This workshop is co-sponsored by the Writing Program and the Academic Resource Center and is specifically designed for undergraduate international students. To register for this workshop, please email: expos@fas.harvard.edu. Thursday, October 31, 3:30-4:30PM, ARC, 1414 Mass Ave., Floor 3R, Room 382.

First-Year Retreat. Take time this winter break to pause and reflect: Looking back, how has the year shaped you? Looking forward, how do you want to live? Who do you want to be? This free program for first-year students will involve a three-day, two-night trip to a beautiful getaway in Charlton, Massachusetts, surrounded by expansive forests and a beautiful pond. During our time together, we will have time for quiet reflection and introspection, time in nature, guided group activities, community workshops, and time to relax. Upperclassmen will facilitate discussion on personal identity, core values, and formative experiences, with the goal being to reset, reflect, and refresh. All transportation, lodging, food, and program materials will be provided. Space is limited; students will reserve a spot on the retreat on a first-come, first-served basis at: bit.ly/firstyearretreat. January 24-26. (You must be able to attend the whole retreat.)

Journal Project Prompt #7: What are three things for which you feel especially grateful? What impact do you notice when you set your intention to focus on gratitude?