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EPIC News and Events

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From the President's Desk

This Tuesday, October 10, we are going to be learning about an important, and for me, inspiring project. Geraldine Downey and Eileen Gillooly will be describing the Columbia Justice-in-Education initiative for incarcerated and formerly incarcerated men and women. [Please click here for an article provides background.](#) A number of EPIC members expressed an interest in possibly teaching in the program. Regardless of whether you want to teach, this initiative tangibly improves, even saves, lives and is definitely worth learning about. As is customary, we continue the discussion over lunch at Faculty House at special EPIC reduced rates. We will be live streaming the meeting. If you want to join us online, [please click here for instructions.](#)

Our music initiative is moving along. We are just about ready to set the date for a first planning meeting, so do let Carolyn Greenberg know if you are interested. (Please see her note and contact details below.) And remember we've added a beginner/chair yoga session to our Thursday yoga program.

It's been a whirlwind week. Our Program Committee met to lay out the rest of the year's agenda. Our first Graduate Scholar Talk by B-school doctoral candidate Kunal Sachdeva reaffirmed the presence of gifted, energetic millennials who can take on the enormous challenges of the modern world.

We are forming an Advocacy Initiative to work on turning our vision for a physical center for us on campus into a reality. Your participation is needed for that. Send your ideas and your energy.

Have a good day.

*Jeanne Mager Stellman, President, EPIC
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Tuesday, October 10

Columbia's Justice-in-Education Initiative: Teaching Incarcerated and Formerly Incarcerated Students

Geraldine Downey, Director of the Center for Justice at Columbia; and Eileen Gillooly, Executive Director of the Heyman Center for the Humanities, will tell us about the [Justice-in-Education Initiative](#), a collaboration between the Center for Justice and the Heyman Center, along with the Media and Idea Lab of the Center for the Study of Ethnicity and Race. The project provides educational opportunities to incarcerated and formerly incarcerated persons and integrates the study of justice into the Columbia University curriculum. [Please click here for an article about the initiative that appeared in Columbia magazine in Summer 2017.](#)



12:00 - 1:30 p.m.

Faculty House, Garden Room 2

Guests welcome!

[Please click here for map.](#)

***Tuesday Talks** address topics across the academic spectrum as well as issues of particular importance to the retired academic community. Attendees can continue their discussions at lunch in the Faculty House Dining Room, at a special EPIC reduced rate.*

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Photo: Justice in Education Initiative, Columbia University

EPIC Musicians and Music Lovers: Let's Play!

A note from Professor Emerita Carolyn Greenberg

Music is a means of bringing us together for enjoyment and friendship. Because many EPIC members have a special love of music, we are undertaking a new music initiative for members and their families, both instrumentalists and vocalists. We would like to plan both periodic and ongoing sessions, perhaps performing for EPIC members at a recital or at the annual reception. We are also interested in re-invigorating our collaboration with the Columbia Music Department and Columbia student music groups. Another goal is for us to develop a system for publicizing and attending musical events together, at Columbia and elsewhere. We will explore working with the Columbia Arts Initiative to obtain group tickets to certain performances.

If you are interested in working on growing the EPIC music initiative, please contact me at cpg2@columbia.edu with your name, your instrument/vocalist, and your comments or suggestions. We will plan an initial gathering at my Manhattan apartment in the early Fall semester, to meet one another and to exchange information and ideas.

Yoga for All Chair/Beginner Sessions; Additional CUMC Session

EPIC Yoga is expanding to include two new classes:

- A 45-minute Chair Yoga/Beginner class for those who would like the benefits of yoga but have limited flexibility or mobility issues. This is a gentle form of yoga practiced while seated on a chair or standing using a chair for support. No mats or equipment necessary. The class would be Thursday mornings at 11:15 at the Faculty House on the Morningside Campus
- A one-hour, mixed-level class similar to the one offered at the Faculty House to be held at the Medical Center campus. This class is suitable for beginners or experienced yogis alike. Time and day to be arranged.

If you are interested in either of these options, [please contact Professor Emerita Ginny Papaioannou](#) for more information.

On the Horizon

Tuesday, October 24: University Benefits Open Enrollment Briefing; Faculty House, 12:00-1:30 p.m.

Thursday, November 2: Graduate Scholar Talk; Molly Rose Avila, Ph.D. candidate, Department of Slavic Languages and Literature, "Herzen Chernyshevsky, Turgenev, and Political Literature." 12:15-2:00 p.m., 602 Lewisohn Hall

See our [online calendar of events](#) for details.