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From the President's Desk

If you think that Election Day Tuesday was interesting, just wait until next Tuesday, November 14, when Professor Emeritus Michael Rosenthal will be talking with us about his new book on Barney Rosset, publisher of Grove Press. Rosset's battle to publish Miller's *Tropic of Cancer* liberated the United States from the censorship of obscenity laws. [Please click here to read a brief review of this entertaining new book.](#)

We will have five copies of the book as door prizes. Also - do consider continuing the discussion over lunch at Faculty House at the EPIC reduced rate, and remember that EPIC members are eligible for this rate every day. Reservations are advised. Call 212-854-7199.

Our Graduate Scholars presentation last Thursday, by Molly Rose Avila, doctoral candidate in Slavic Languages and Literature, on three political Russian authors, Herzen, Chernyshevsky, and Turgenev, was well done. Ms. Avila is also an actress, so the talk was lively as well as informative, as was the discussion by attendees.

Other goings on: Last Thursday's **yoga session** was a full house and we meet again this Thursday. EPIC is very interested in starting a chair yoga/beginner group for people with more limited flexibility. [Please do contact us](#) or [Professor Emerita Ginny Papaioannou \(vep1@columbia.edu\)](mailto:vep1@columbia.edu) if you would like more information or have ideas on how to promote this activity.

The **EPIC music initiative** is moving forward and we are just about ready to launch our electronic scheduler and bulletin board for musicians. Contact [Professor Emerita Carolyn Greenberg, cpg2@columbia.edu](mailto:cpg2@columbia.edu), with your name, instrument/vocalist range and your comments or suggestions.

You can hear EPIC musician Professor Emeritus Peter Strauss, perform in concert with the **Florilegium Chamber Choir** on November 19. [Please click here for details.](#)

And don't forget that the **Columbia Justice-in-Education Initiative** for incarcerated and formerly incarcerated men and women needs mentors and research assistance. You can contact us for more information.

Can you believe it is almost Thanksgiving????

Have a good day.

*Jeanne Mager Stellman, President, EPIC
Professor Emerita & Special Lecturer
Mailman School of Public Health*

Tuesday, November 14

***Barney: Grove Press and Barney Rosset,
America's Maverick Publisher and His Battle
against Censorship***

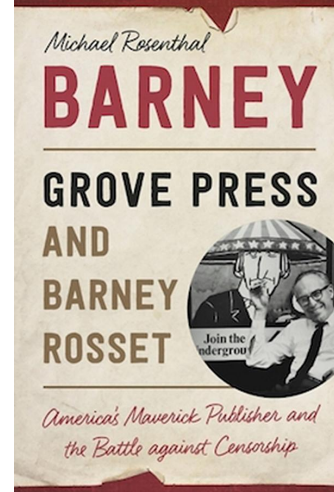
Celebrate the publication of Professor Emeritus Michael Rosenthal's biography of "the most daring and arguably the most significant American book publisher of the twentieth century." Win a copy as a

door prize, and join the discussion for lunch afterward at the EPIC member price in the Faculty House Dining Room.

12:00-1:30 p.m.
Faculty House
Seminar Room 2

Guests welcome!

[Please click here for map and directions.](#)



RSVP

Tuesday, November 28

"Engineers in America: Early History"

Join EPIC and the Fu Foundation School of Engineering and Applied Science for a special intergenerational talk by Mischa Schwartz, Charles Batchelor Professor Emeritus of Electrical Engineering. Professor Schwartz will describe the foundations of American engineering from early efforts to build roads, bridges, tunnels, and canals led by French and British engineers to the development of professional practice and training. He will conclude with a brief discussion of the early days of Columbia's School of Mines, opened in 1864, and the Electrical Engineering department, in 1889.



11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

[520 Seeley W. Mudd Building](#)

Refreshments available at 11:00 a.m.

Limited Seating

RSVP to

es3410@columbia.edu by November 21

Thursday, December 7

"The Biology of Disadvantage: The Immune System and Social Inequality"

Please join us for December's First Thursday Graduate Scholar Talk, presented by Megan Todd, Postdoctoral Research Scientist, Columbia Aging Center, Mailman School of Public Health.

First Thursday Graduate Scholar Talks take place the first Thursday of each month during the academic year. The talks provide Ph.D. candidates preparing to defend their dissertations and recent graduates an opportunity to make a generalist presentation on their research to a cross-disciplinary audience ready to listen carefully and ask good questions. EPIC members help give the Ph.D. students a useful learning experience and at the same time learn about something that may be well beyond their own scholarly interests.

A sandwich lunch is provided. RSVP to insure an appropriate catering order.



graphic: Columbia Aging Center

12:15 - 2:00 p.m.

Ward H. Dennis Room
602 Lewisohn Hall

Guests welcome!

[Please click here for map](#)

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EPIC Yoga on Thursdays

EPIC Yoga continues with the leadership of Virginia Papaioannou, registered teacher with Yoga Alliance Registry, and Professor Emerita, Development of Genetics and Development, Columbia University Medical Center.

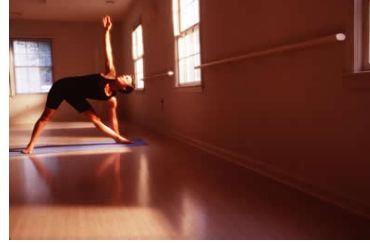
Two classes are offered:

EPIC Yoga Mixed-level class: 10 -11 a.m.

Geared for beginners to intermediate yogis including breathing techniques and basic yoga poses concentrating on alignment, balance and flexibility.

Chair/Beginner Session: 11:15 a.m. - noon

Geared 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.



No prior experience is necessary for either class.

Wear clothing that is comfortable for moving, either loose or stretchy. Bring a yoga mat and block if you have them. If not, they will be provided. The first class is free; \$10 per class thereafter.

[Read more about the EPIC Yoga program on our website.](#)

For further detail, please [email Virginia Papaioannou at vep1@columbia.edu](mailto:vep1@columbia.edu)

On the Horizon

Tuesday, December 12: Tuesday Talk and Holiday Luncheon, Professor Walter Frisch, Acting Chair, Department of Music. 12:00-1:30 p.m., Faculty House

Events of Interest

[The Columbia University calendar of events is available online](#) and is searchable by audience, type, discipline, and location as well as date.

[Mid-Day Music@Columbia](#) showcases student musicians at Faculty House each Wednesday during the academic year.

If you would like to share information about an event in which you are involved, or simply an event that you think may interest other EPIC members, [please let us know by sending an email to epic@columbia.edu.](#)