

ACADEMIC CALENDAR

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Thanksgiving Break Ends; 8 a.m.

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Fall Term Classes End.

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Reading Days. Through December 9.

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Final Examinations. Through December 17.

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Fall Semester Ends.

CHILDREN’S ACTIVITIES

Morris Arboretum
Register: (215) 247-5777 ext. 156 or 125
20 Kids’ Holiday Centerpiece; learn about fresh flower arranging as you design a centerpiece; 10 a.m.; ages 5-12; \$33, \$30/members.

Peanut Butter & Jams: World Cafe Live
\$10/adults, \$7/children, unless otherwise noted; 11:30 a.m.
Info.: www.worldcafelive.com.

6 The Cat’s Pajamas; imaginative award-winning recording artists; \$11/adults, \$8/children.

13 Uncle Rock; catchy, rhythmically propulsive songs.

27 Yosi and the Superdads Rockin’ Hannukah Show!; an interactive and humorous family concert filled with versions of Hanukkah tunes.

CONFERENCES

2 Penn Science Injury Forum; panel discussion on violence, stress and exploring community strengths; 9:30-11:30 a.m.; Terrace Room, Claudia Cohen Hall (Medicine).

5 Real Worlds: Global Perspectives on the Politics of Reality Television; get a global dose of the reality TV phenomenon; 8:15 a.m.-5:15 p.m.; Annenberg School for Communication; RSVP: eplowman@asc.upenn.edu (Scholars Program in Culture and Communication; Graduate Working Group on Reality Television).

12 40th Anniversary Symposium on Oxidant Stress and Cell Signaling; 9 a.m.-5 p.m., followed by dinner, 6:30 p.m.; Upper Egyptian Gallery, Penn Museum; info.: (215) 898-9108 (IFEM).

EXHIBITS

Admission Donations and Hours
Arthur Ross Gallery, Fisher Fine Arts Library; free; Tues.-Fri., 10 a.m.-5 p.m.; Sat.-Sun., noon-5 p.m.
Burrisson Gallery, University Club at Penn, The Inn at Penn; free; Mon.-Fri.-8 a.m.-6 p.m.
Esther M. Klein Art Gallery; free; Mon.-Sat.; 9 a.m.-5 p.m.
GSE Student Lounge; free; Mon.-Fri., 9 a.m.-5 p.m.
Institute of Contemporary Art (ICA); free admission; Wed.-Fri., noon-8 p.m.; Sat.-Sun., 11 a.m.-5 p.m.
International House; free; for hours call (215) 387-5125.
Kelly Writers House Gallery; free; Mon.-Thurs. 10 a.m-10:30 p.m.; Fri. 10 a.m.-5 p.m.; Sat. noon-11 p.m.; Sun. 6-11 p.m.
Morris Arboretum; \$10, \$8/seniors, \$5/kids 3-18, free/kids under 3 and members; Mon.-Fri. 10 a.m.-4 p.m., weekends 10 a.m.-5 p.m.
Penn Museum; \$8, \$5/seniors, children 6-17, full-time students w/ID, free/members, w/PennCard, children under 6; Tues.-Sat., 10 a.m.-4:30 p.m.; Sun. 1-5 p.m.
The Rotunda; 4014 Walnut St.; free; for hours: (215) 573-3234.

December Performances



The Philadelphia Boys Choir and Chorale presents “A Hollywood Holiday” at Irvine Auditorium on December 21. See Music.

The University Choral Society performs on December 5 in Irvine Auditorium. The show is free with a PennCard. See Music.



Slought Foundation; free; Wed.-Sat. 1-6 p.m.
Van Pelt-Dietrich Library; free/ID required; for hours see: <http://events.library.upenn.edu/cgi-bin/calendar.cgi>.

Upcoming
10 In and Out of Istanbul; highlights contemporary artistic practice in Turkey; Slought Foundation; reception, *December 10*, 6:30 p.m. *Through January 9.*

Now
Another Tomorrow; Young Video Art from the Collection of the Neue Galerie am Landesmuseum Joanneum; Slought Foundation. *Through December 3.*
Kate Gilmore; performance-based video art of women attempting difficult physical tasks; ICA. *Through December 7.*
Douglas Blau; picture epics from uniformly-framed collages of printed matter; ICA. *Through December 7.*
R. Crumb’s Underground; the work of cartoonist Robert Crumb; ICA. *Through December 7.*
Recent Paintings by Joan Weston; landscapes in oil and watercolor; Burrisson Gallery. *Through December 19.*
Oh Fresh! Sophomore Proclamations of Freshman Rules, 1866-WWII; collection of Freshman Broadslides; Ros-enwald Gallery, 6th fl., Van Pelt-Deitrich Library. *Through December 19.*
Office of International Programs Student Photo Contest; Penn students’ photos of the host communities where they lived, studied, and explored; International House. *Through December 26.*
Locating Memory; a multi-media installation of experiences and memories, of various individuals, captured through Wil Lindsay’s hacked GPS-based Memory Locating Apparatus; Esther M. Klein Art Gallery. *Through December 28.*
Tapeworm; collaborative exhibition of reactions to Darren Wershler-Henry’s *The Tapeworm Foundry;* and *or the dangerous prevalence of imagination;* Kelly Writers House Gallery. *Through December.*
Holiday Garden Railway Display; lights and holiday décor made of natural materials adorn the Garden Railway; Morris Arboretum. *Through January 4.*
Transplants; short documentary and experimental videos on migration and displacement from one place or culture to another; International House; reception: 6 p.m. *Through January 16.*
Kings, Chiefs and Women of Power: Images from Nigeria; 25 large format Cibachrome photographs taken in 1993-94 by Phyllis Galembo highlights the costumes, customs, and traditions of Nigerian communities; Arthur Ross Gallery. *Through January 18.* See Talks.
Iyare! Splendor and Tension in Benin’s Palace Theatre; more than 100 artifacts including cast bronzes, carved ivories and wood from the 16th to the 21st centuries; William B. Dietrich Gallery, Penn Museum. *Through March 1.*
Himalaya: Land of the Snow Lion; 50 black and white images examining ethnic, cultural and historical Tibet; Merle-Smith Gallery, Penn Museum. *Through March 8.*
Life in Boxes: Comic Art and Artifacts; history and development of the comic; Kamin Gallery, Van Pelt-Dietrich Library. *Through March 22.*
Odili Donald Odita: Third Space; large-scale abstract wall paintings; ICA. *Through March 29.*
Surviving: The Body of Evidence; interactive exhibition explores evolution and its profound impact on humans; Penn

Museum. *Through May 3.*
Fulfilling a Prophecy: The Past and Present of the Lenape in Pennsylvania; items from the private collections of Lenape people along with archaeological objects from the Museum’s collections; Penn Museum. *Through September 12.*
The Texture of Trees; Andrea Baldeck photo exhibit; Morris Arboretum. *Through September.*
Francis Johnson: Music Master of Early Philadelphia; Eugene Ormandy Gallery, Van Pelt-Dietrich Library. *Through Fall 2009.*
Collective Imprints; visual art that celebrates the life and history of The Rotunda; The Rotunda. *Ongoing.*
meta Metasequoia; see the world from among a canopy of redwood limbs; Morris Arboretum. *Ongoing.*
A Wonderful Life: A Daughter’s Tribute to a Family of Educators; Joan Myerson Shrager’s digital art; Student Lounge, GSE. *Ongoing.*
Photographs from the Field; ethnographic photographs by anthropology graduate students; Museum Library, Penn Museum. *Ongoing.*
Strokes of Genius: The Art of Annie G. Hunter; Museum Library, Penn Museum. *Ongoing.*

Ongoing at the Penn Museum
Treasures From the Royal Tombs of Ur; Worlds Intertwined: Etruscans, Greeks and Romans; Canaan & Ancient Israel; Living in Balance: The Universe of the Hopi, Zuni, Navajo and Apache; Mesoamerica; The Egyptian Mummy: Secrets & Science; Raven’s Journey: The World of Alaska’s Native People; Buddhism: History & Diversity of a Great Tradition; Africa: The Cradle of Humankind; Polynesia: ‘ahu’ula + lei niho palaoa.

Penn Museum Tours
Meet at Trescher Main Entrance; 1:30 p.m. Info.: www.museum.upenn.edu; Free with Museum admission donation.

6 Highlights of the Collection.
20 Daily Life in Ancient Rome.
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ICA Programs/Tours
Info.: www.icaphila.org
3 Whenever Wednesday Lecture; Douglas Blau, artist, critic and curator, will discuss his picture epic on view at ICA, installations, writings and past exhibitions; \$5, free for members; 7 p.m.
7 First Sunday Tour; Ruth Erickson looks into Kate Gilmore’s protagonists’ physical struggle for acceptance; 1 p.m.



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FILMS

Cinema Studies
Screenings at Sky Lounge Harrison College House.
Elections! A Film Series
3 Dave; 8 p.m.
Philosophy in Film: A Film Series
3 The Seventh Seal; 7 p.m.

International House
Screenings w/English subtitles. Tickets: \$7, \$5/members, students, seniors unless otherwise noted. Info.: www.ihousephilly.org.
3 Tony Conrad, DreaMinimalist and Invasion of Thunderbolt Pagoda; 7 p.m.
4 Envisioning Russia: Commemorating the Centenary of Russian Filmmaking; a series; Also *December 5*, 7 p.m. and *December 6*, 5 p.m. and 7 p.m.



Penn Presents
Tickets: www.pennpresents.org.
4 Doug Varone and Dancers; Guggenheim Fellow and Obie Award winner master choreographer whose credits range from film and opera to theater and dance; 7:30 p.m.; Zellerbach Theatre, Annenberg Center; \$38-\$48; also *December 5*, 8 p.m. and *December 6*, 2 p.m. & 8 p.m.
12 Leahy Family Celtic Christmas Celebration; 8 p.m.; Zellerbach Theatre, Annenberg Center; \$25-45, student, staff and alumnus pricing available.
13 EgoPo: Spring Awakening; groundbreaking production about three teens struggling with their sexuality in a society that links pleasure with pain; 7:30 p.m.; Harold Prince Theatre, Annenberg Center; \$45.

Student Performances
Info.: www.dolphin.upenn.edu/pac/
5 Sammy—A Word that Broke An Empire; PenNaatak (South Asian Theatre Company); 8 p.m.; Class of ’49 Auditorium, Houston Hall; \$9/door, \$7/Locust Walk; Also *December 6* (PAC).
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AT PENN

Wherever these symbols appear, more images or audio/video clips are available on our website, www.upenn.edu/almanac/.

8 Scribe Video Center: Community Visions; 7 p.m.
9 White Lies, Black Sheep; 7 p.m.
10 Bars in the Memory (Rejas en la Memoria); 7 p.m.
11 I Build the Tower; 7 p.m.
13 Pierrot le fou; 7 p.m.
19 Edumed Films: Ho-Ho-Horrors!; 8 p.m.

MEETINGS

2 WPSA; noon; Bishop White Room, Houston Hall.
9 PPSA Board Meeting; noon; Sweet-en Alumni Center; RSVP: ppsapobox.upenn.edu.
10 University Council; 4 p.m.; Bodek Lounge, Houston Hall; RSVP: (215) 898-7005.

MUSIC

5 Off the Beat Fall Show; Co-ed A cappella; 8 p.m.; Harrison Auditorium, Penn Museum; \$10. Also *December 6*; tickets: www.offthebeat.net (PAC).
10 Alash and Extra Special Terrestrial Guests; Turvan throat singing ensemble with local musical guests; 8 p.m.; The Rotunda; free (The Rotunda).
21 Philadelphia Boys Choir & Chorale Presents A Hollywood Holiday; 3 p.m.; Irvine Auditorium; tickets: www.philly-boyschoir.org/concerts.htm.

International House
Info.: www.ihousephilly.org
7 The Flatlands Collective; 8 p.m.; \$12.
14 Steve Reid + Kieran Hebden; 8 p.m.; \$17.50/students, \$20/members and seniors, \$25/general admission.

Music Department
Info.: www.sas.upenn.edu/music. Free with PennCard.

1 Violin Masterclass featuring Students of Ghislaine Fleischmann; 7:30 p.m.; Roof-top Lounge, Harnwell College House.
Penn Chamber I; 7 p.m.; Bodek Lounge, Houston Hall.
Jazz Combos II; 8 p.m.; Upper East Lounge, Hill College House.
2 Penn Chamber II; 7 p.m.; Amado Recital Hall, Irvine Hall.
4 Piano Masterclass featuring students of Matt Bengtson; 7:30 p.m.; Roof-top Lounge, Harnwell College House.
5 University Choral Society; 8 p.m.; Irvine Auditorium.
8 AudioNexus Contemporary Music Ensemble; 8 p.m.; Rose Recital Hall, 4th floor, Fisher-Bennett Hall.

World Cafe Live
Performances daily. For a complete listing, see www.worldcafelive.com.

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No Douchebags; Simply Chaos (sketch comedy troupe); 9 p.m.; Harold Prince Theatre; \$8; for mature audiences (PAC).

SPECIAL EVENTS

3 Penn Museum Holiday Shopping Savings Days; enjoy discounts of 10%-20% off of all purchases from the Museum’s three shops—the Museum Shop, the Second Site Shop and the Pyramid Shop; 10 a.m.-4:30 p.m.; Penn Museum. *Through December 7* (Museum).
4 Women of Color at Penn Arts & Craft Fair; noon-8 p.m.; Reading Room, Houston Hall; info.: (215) 898-0104 (WOCAP).
Kwanzaa Karamu; 6-8 p.m.; Kwanzaa celebration dinner featuring a presentation, candle lighting, and Arpeggio Jazz Band performance; Bodek Lounge, Houston Hall; RSVP: makuu@dolphin.upenn.edu (Makuu).
African Dinner Series—Botswana; learn about the Open Minds for Attica Fund while enjoying the food and culture of Botswana; Christian Association; 6 p.m. (Christian Association).
6 University City Community Cleanup; UCD and the city of Philadelphia will assist your block by providing bags, work gloves and leaf/trash pickup; RSVP (215) 243-0555 x236; register before *December 1* and get complimentary pizza following the cleanup at Mikey’s American Grill and Sports Bar; 2-4 p.m. (UCD).
7 13th Annual Peace Around the World: Passport to Culture; receive “passports” and itineraries, visit International Classroom speakers to learn about holiday traditions around the world. Crafts, regional children’s choirs, games, face painting and free treats for children; 1:30-4 p.m.; Penn Museum; info.: (215) 898-4890 (Museum).
University City Arts League Annual Craft Show and Sale; University City Arts League, 4226 Spruce St.; Mon.-Fri. 4-9 p.m., weekends, noon-6 p.m. *Through December 19.*

8 President Gutmann’s Holiday Study Break for Penn Students; bring your PennCard for good food and warm drinks!; 8-9 p.m.; President’s House.
9 Christian Association Holiday Open House; food, fellowship and good cheer for students, faculty and staff; 4:30-6:30 p.m.; Christian Association (CA).
University Club at Penn: Annual Holiday Dinner Buffer; 5:30-8 p.m.; Living Room, University Club at Penn; RSVP: universityclub@pobox.upenn.edu (University Club).
11 Penn Bookstore Annual Holiday Sale; discounts on a wide selection of holiday gifts, free gift wrapping, and hot chocolate and desserts served 4-6 p.m.; Penn Bookstore; also *December 12.*
12 Holiday Party; a holiday party with international flair; 6-8 p.m.; International House; \$5, free/residents, members, alumni, & friends (International House).
16 African-American Resource Center Holiday Celebration; noon-2 p.m.; 2nd & 3rd floors, African-American Resource Center (AARC).
20 Skate with Santa; holiday themed music and giveaways; 5:45-7:15 p.m.; Class of 1923 Arena; regular admission; info.: (215) 898-1923.

SPORTS

Info./tickets: www.pennathletics.com.
2 (M) Basketball vs. Villanova; 8 p.m.
4 (M) Squash vs. Navy; 7 p.m.
5 (W) Basketball vs. Navy; 2 p.m.
Gymnastics; Intersquad Meet; 6 p.m.
(M) Basketball vs. Navy; 7 p.m.
19 (W) Basketball vs. Drexel; noon.

Almanac

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Unless otherwise noted all events are open to the general public as well as to members of the University. For building locations, call (215) 898-5000 between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. or see www.facilities.upenn.edu or the University’s website, www.upenn.edu. Listing of a phone number normally means tickets, reservations or registration required.

Almanac carries an *Update* with additions, changes and cancellations if received by Monday noon prior to the week of publication. Members of the University may send notices for the *Update* or January *AT PENN* calendar. The deadline for the *January AT PENN* is December 2.

Events on this calendar are subject to change. More information can be found on the sponsoring department’s website. Sponsors are listed in parentheses.

1 *An Integrated Approach to Conservation: The Case of Darb Al-Ahmar, Cairo*; Francesco Siravo, The Aga Khan Trust for Culture; 6 p.m.; B3, Meyerson Hall (PennDesign).

2 *The Making of Myths: Legends of the Building of Old Peking*; Hok-lam Chan, University of Washington; noon; Cherpac Lounge, Williams Hall (Center for East Asian Studies).

Grace Hopper Distinguished Lecture; Anna Karlin, University of Washington; 3 p.m.; Wu & Chen Auditorium (Computer & Information Science).

Seeing and Believing: The Modernist Vision of Miyazawa Kenji; Gregory Golley, independent scholar; 6 p.m.; rm. 111, Annenberg School (Center for East Asian Studies).

3 *Trust Funds*; Olivia Stoner, Stoner and Toppin, LLC; noon; Penn Women’s Center (AARC).

Beneficial Uses of Closed Landfills; Robert M. Koerner, Architectural & Environmental Engineering & Geosynthetic Institute and Drexel University; noon; Carolyn Hoff Lynch Auditorium, Chemistry Bldg. (Institute for Environmental Studies).

Efficiency of deriving germ cells from hES and hIPS cells; Amander Clark, University of California, Los Angeles; noon; rm. 251, BRB II/III (CRRWH).

How (Yeast) Cells Get the Timing Right; Maria Kilfoil, McGill University; 3:15 p.m.; Wu & Chen Auditorium, Levine Hall (CBE).

Replication Fork Stability and the Prevention of Cancer and Aging; Eric J. Brown, cancer biology; 4 p.m.; Grossman Auditorium, Wistar Institute (Wistar).

Changing Who We Are: What Is Genetics Doing To Us?; Ian Hacking, University of Toronto; 5 p.m.; Rainey Auditorium, Penn Museum (Museum).

New Surprises from Ban Chiang, Thailand; Joyce C. White, Penn Museum; lecture followed by gallery tour; 6 p.m.; Penn Museum; \$5, free for members and PennCard holders (Penn Museum).

4 *Grief Support*; Rev. Charles Howard, University Chaplain; noon; rm. 219, College Hall (AARC).

Molecular Origami: Protein Folding and Misfolding in Health and Disease; Judith Frydman, Stanford University; noon; Austrian Auditorium, CRB (Biochemistry & Biophysics).

New Insights into the Role of Pressure in Obstructive Uropathy; Diane Felsen, Weill Cornell Medical College; 8:30 a.m.; Urology Library (Urology).

Did Neanderthals Bury Their Dead?; Harold Dibble, Penn Museum; 6 p.m.; Penn Museum; reception follows: \$40, \$30/members (Museum).

5 *Title TBA*; Chris Gerdes, Stanford University; 11 a.m.; Wu & Chen Auditorium, Levine Hall (GRASP).

Gigantomachia: The Battle of Gods against Giants in Ancient Mediterranean Debates on Power and Freedom; Ann Kuttner, history of art; 3:30 p.m.; Rich Seminar Room, Jaffe Bldg. (History of Art).

The Role of ROS in Acute and Chronic Coronary Adaptations; William Chilian, Northwestern Ohio Universities College of Medicine and Pharmacy; 12:15 p.m.; 1 John Morgan Bldg. (IFEM).

9 *Creating an Analytic File from Medicaid MAX Data: Methodologic Issues*; Pierre Yong, Center for Public Health Initiatives; noon; rm. 1311, Blockley Hall; RSVP by December 2: ritas@mail.med.upenn.edu (MAMMA).

10 *Somatic Stem Cells and Ovarian Cancer Stem Cells*; Patricia K. Donahue, Harvard University; noon; rm. 253, BRB II/III (CRRWH).

The Role of Nurr1 in Dopamine Neuron Development and Parkinson’s Disease; Wei-Dong Le, Baylor College; 4 p.m.; Grossman Auditorium, Wistar Institute (Wistar).

11 *Specificity in Tyrosine Kinase-Mediated Signaling is Complex and Time Consuming*; John Ladbury, University College—London; noon; Austrian Auditorium, CRB (Biochemistry & Biophysics).

12 *Medical Innovation, Patents, and Public Health: Can We Reach a Proper Balance?*; Aaron Kesselheim, Harvard University; noon; auditorium, Colonial Penn Center (LDI).

16 *A Comprehensive Transcriptional Regulatory Network for Human Nuclear Receptors*; Kevin White, University of Chicago; 3 p.m.; Reunion Hall, John Morgan Bldg. (Medicine).

17 *Function of Testicular mi RNAs in Spermatogenesis*; Wei Yan, Univeristy of Nevada; noon; rm. 253, BRB II/III (CRRWH).

18 *What To Do Next in HIV Prevention*; Thomas J. Coates, University of California, Los Angeles; 1 p.m.; Auditorium, BRB II/III (CFAR).

19 *Oxidatively Truncated Phospholipids as Signaling Molecules*; Thomas McIntyre, Lerner Research Institute-Cleveland Clinic; 12:15 p.m.; 1 John Morgan Bldg. (IFEM).

Class of 1923 Arena; 3130 Walnut St.; admission: weekday \$5.50, weekend \$6.50, \$1 off w/PennCard; skate rental \$2.50; group rates and skating lessons offered; hours: www.upenn.edu/icerink. See Special Events.

Jazzercise; 5:30-6:30 p.m.; Tuesdays & Thursdays; Newman Center; first class free; \$8/class, \$5/students; contact Carolyn Hamilton: (215) 662-3293 (days) or (610) 446-1983 (evenings).

New Parents @ Penn; meets every other Tuesday at 5:30 p.m.; contact Penn Women’s Center (215) 898-8611 for dates.

2 *Preparing for Conference/ Convention Interviews*; noon-1 p.m.; rm. 97, McNeil Bldg. (Career Services).

What is an Investor to Do?; Brett Hammond, TIAA-CREF; Session 1: 10 a.m., Session II: 1 p.m.; Hall of Flags, Houston Hall (Human Resources).

Christian Association
Info.: www.upennca.org.

2 *SLANGuage*; UN Official call Waterboarding unjustifiable; 2:30 p.m. Also December 9 and 16.

3 *Queer Christian Fellowship*; dinner gathering of students, faculty and staff interested in an LGBTQ affirming Christianity; 6:30 p.m.

Morris Arboretum
Register: (215) 247-5777 ext. 156 or 125.

3 *Winter Wellness Walks*; 10:30 a.m., Saturdays. Now through March 28.

6 *Holiday Wreath Making*; 10 a.m.-noon and 1-3 p.m.; \$55, \$46/ members.

14 *Floral Imagery in Copper Foil*; 1-3 p.m.; \$38, \$32/ members.

18 *Holiday Tabletop Tree with Lights*; noon-2 p.m. and 6:30-8:30 p.m.; \$60, \$50/ members.

20 *Holiday Centerpiece Class*; 1-3 p.m.; \$55, \$46/ members.

Quality of Worklife: HR
Open to faculty and staff. Register: www.hr.upenn.edu/coursecatalog/default.aspx.

3 *How To Start an Exercise Program You’ll Stick With*; noon-1 p.m.

4 *Optimizing Personal Performance*; 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m.

9 *Flexible Work Options Information*

Session G; noon-1:30 p.m.

10 *Nutrition and Cancer Prevention*; noon-1 p.m.

11 *When It’s More Than Teen Rebellion*; 11:30-1 p.m.

Learning and Education: HR
Open to faculty and staff. Register: www.hr.upenn.edu/coursecatalog/default.aspx.

2 *Penn Certificate Program in Administrative Excellence*; 9 a.m.-noon; \$100. Multiple dates.

4 *American Management Association’s “Standing Strong in Difficult Workplace Situations”*; 9 a.m.-5p.m.; \$75

9 *Brown Bag Matinee: Managing Stress*; noon-1 p.m.

12 *Career Focus Brown Bag: Influence without Authority—Building Effective Relationships and Allies*; noon-1 p.m.

Department of Recreation
Events take place at Pottruck Health and Fitness Center. Register/Info.: (215) 898-6100 or www.upenn.edu/recreation.

1 *Ashtanga Yoga*; 5 p.m.; synthesizes breathing and progressive postures to produce a detoxifying sweat; \$30, \$25/ members. Continues December 8 and 15.

3 *Yoga Power Flow*; a challenging blend of flexibility, strength and endurance; noon; \$75, \$50/members. Continues December 10.

Technology and Training Services
Classes at ISC labs, 3650 Chestnut St.; 9 a.m.-4:30 p.m., unless otherwise noted. Open to faculty, staff, and students; register: www.upenn.edu/computing/isc/training.

1 *PowerPoint 2003 Intro.*; \$190.

2 *Excel 2003 Intro.*; \$190.

3 *Visio Intermediate*; \$224.

4 *Filemaker Pro 9 Beyond the Basics*; \$260.

5 *Word 2003 Intro.*; \$190.

9 *Excel 2003 Advanced*; \$190. *Visio Intro.*; \$224. *Word 2003 Intermediate*; \$190.

10 *Excel 2003 Intermediate*; \$190.

11 *Photoshop CS3 Intro*; \$494; 2 days.

15 *Access 2003 Advanced*; \$448; 2 days.

17 *Excel 2003 Programming w/ VBA*; \$790; 2 days.

18 *Excel 2003 Advanced*; \$190.

19 *Advanced Business Objects XI Desktop Intelligence Training*; \$380.

Kelly Writers House
Info.: www.writing.upenn.edu/~wh/ Events in Arts Cafe.

1 *Lunch Talk with Novelist Gail Scott*; noon; RSVP: wh@writing.upenn.edu.

2 *Theorizing: The Eight Animals in Shakespeare or, Before the Human*; Laurie Shannon, Northwestern University; 6 p.m.

3 *Reading*; students in Lynn Levin’s Creative Writing class; 5:30 p.m. *Speakeasy: Poetry, Prose, Anything Goes!*; 8 p.m.

4 *Writers without Borders presents Breyten Breytenbach*; South African novelist, poet, activist; 6 p.m.

8 *PoemTalk*; discussion of Lydia Davis’s “A Position at the University”; RSVP: wh@writing.upenn.edu; 3 p.m.

9 *Greg Djanikian’s poetry class*; 4 p.m.

Penn Bookstore
Info.: www.upenn.edu/bookstore.

1 *The Book of Contemplation: Islam and the Crusades*; Paul Cobb; 6 p.m.

3 *Slow Funeral*; Charles Gershon; 6 p.m.

4 *Sweet Land of Liberty: The Forgotten Struggle for Civil Rights in the North*; Thomas Sugrue; 6 p.m.

8 *Your Job Survival Guide*; Greg Shea & Robert Gunther; 6 p.m.

9 *Chocolate—A Healthy Passion*; signing and tasting; Shara Aaron; 3 p.m.



2008-2009 Holiday Hours for University Services and Facilities

Accounts Payable December 17, closing at noon; Closed December 25-26; December 29-31, 8 a.m.-noon; Closed January 1-2.

Annenberg Center Box Office Mon.-Fri. 10 a.m.-6 p.m.; Sat. noon-6 p.m.; Closed Sundays. Closed December 25 and January 1.

Arthur Ross Gallery Closed December 25-January 1. Re-opens January 2.

Cashier’s Office Closes December 24, noon. Re-opens January 5, 9 a.m. Open December 29 and 31, 9 a.m.-noon.

Christian Association Closed except by appointment December 23-January 3. Re-opens January 4, 9:30 a.m.

Class of 1923 Arena Closed December 25 and January 1. For public skating hours see www.upenn.edu/icerink.

College Houses and Academic Services Closes December 24, noon. Re-opens January 5, 9 a.m.

Community Housing and Conference Services Closes December 24, 2 p.m. Re-opens January 5, 9 a.m.

Computer Connection Closes Wednesday, December 24, 5p.m. Open weekdays and Saturdays December 26-31, 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Sunday, December 28, 11 a.m.-5p.m. Closed December 25 & January 1. Open weekdays and Saturdays January 2-9, 8:30 a.m.-6:30 p.m. Regular hours resume January 12. See www.upenn.edu/computerstore/.

Gifts Accounting & Administration December 24, 9 a.m.-noon; Closed December 25. December 26-30, 9 a.m.-3 p.m.; December 31, 9 a.m.-1 p.m. Closed January 1-2.

Hillel Closed except by appointment December 23-January 2. Regular hours resume January 5.

Houston Hall Closed December 20-21; December 22-23, 6:30 a.m.-7p.m.; December 25-January 2, closed. January 3-12 open Mon.-Fri. 6:30 a.m.-7 p.m., closed weekends.

ICA Closes December 24, 5 p.m. Re-opens January 5, 9 a.m. Galleries close December 7, 5 p.m. and re-open January 15, 6 p.m.

Information Systems & Computing Operators will be answering main calls, (215) 898-5000, throughout the break except on December 25 and January 1. Networking and Telecommunications staff will be on-call for networking and phone emergencies. Phone emergencies should be reported via Telecommunications Customer Service Center at (215) 746-6000. Critical networking problems should be reported by dialing the First Call automated hotline (215) 573-4778. The ISC First Call and Provider Desk will be closed from 5 p.m. on December 24-January 5. The Data Center will operate its normal 24x7 schedule.

Jazzercise Closed December 25 and January 1.

Kelly Writers House Closed December

22-January 2. Open for admin hours December 15-29 and January 2-14, 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Regular hours resume January 15.

Levy Tennis Pavilion Mon. 9 a.m.-10 p.m.; Tues.-Thurs. 7 a.m.-11 p.m.; Fri. 9 a.m.-8 p.m.; Sat.-Sun. 9 a.m.-7 p.m.; Closed December 25 and January 1.

Morris Arboretum Open, 10 a.m.-4 p.m., every day. Closed December 24, 25 and January 1.

Newman Center Closes 1 p.m. on Dec. 19. Re-opens January 14.

Parking Office Closes 2 p.m. on Dec. 24. Re-opens January 5. Parking lots will be closed Dec. 25. Lots will operate as normal during the rest of the winter break. Parking lots and garages will be staffed and all existing rate structures will apply.

Penn Bookstore December 24, 8:30 a.m.-4 p.m.; Closed December 25. December 26, 9 a.m.-9:30 p.m.; December 27, 10 a.m.-9:30 p.m.; December 28, 11 a.m.-8 p.m.; December 29-31, 9 a.m.-9:30 p.m.

PennCard Center Closes December 24, noon. Re-opens January 5. See www.upenn.edu/penncard.

Penn Museum Tues. to Sat 10 a.m.-4:30 p.m., Sunday 1-5 p.m.; Closed Mondays; Closes at 2 p.m. December 24 and 31. Closed December 25 and January 1.

Penn Transit Service Closed December 24-January 2; limited on call service available from 3-7 a.m.; Call (215) 898-RIDE. Re-opens January 3.

Registrar’s Office Closes December 24, noon. Re-opens January 5, 9 a.m. See www.upenn.edu/registrar.

Residence Halls Sansom Place East, Sansom Place West, Harnwell College House, Harrison College House and Rodin College House will remain open. All other College Houses will close on December 18 at noon, and re-open January 10, 9 a.m.

Student Financial Services Closes December 24, noon. Re-opens January 5, 9 a.m. See www.sfs.upenn.edu.

Student Health Service December 18-23, 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m.; December 24, 9 a.m.-3 p.m.; December 25, closed; December 26-27, 9-11:30 a.m.; December 29-31, 9-11:30 a.m.; January 1, closed; January 2-3, 9-11:30 a.m.

University Club at Penn Closed December 25 through January 2. Regular hours resume January 5.

Van Pelt-Dietrich/Lippincott Libraries and Rosengarten Reserve December 5-17 extended hours—Van Pelt/Lippincott: Mon.-Fri., 8:30 a.m.-2 a.m.; Sat.-Sun, 10 a.m.-2 a.m. Goldstein: Mon.-Thurs, 24 hrs.; Fri., closes 2 a.m.; Sat. 10 a.m.-2 a.m.; Sun., opens 10 a.m. Holiday Hours—Van Pelt/Lippincott/Goldstein: Dec. 18-19, 8:30 a.m-5 p.m.; Dec. 20-21, closed; Dec. 22-24, 8:30 a.m.-5 p.m.; Dec. 25-28, closed; Dec. 29-31, 8:30 a.m.-5 p.m.; Jan. 1-4, closed. For additional hours, see www.library.upenn.edu.

Holiday Giving with Penn VIPS Holiday Drive: December 1—18

Please join us in the Annual Penn Volunteers In Public Service Holiday Drive. As you buy toys and presents for the holiday season, please consider spreading some cheer to deserving members of our community. All toys and gifts donated will support the efforts of organizations including the Annual Holiday Party sponsored by Councilwoman Jannie Blackwell, People’s Emergency Shelter, McMichael School, Potter’s Mission, Bridges to the Community, Intercultural Family Services and more. All items for the holiday drive must be unwrapped, new—not used—and please indicate the gender and age appropriateness of all gifts. Below are convenient locations for you to drop off your donations:

President’s Office	100 College Hall	Brenda Gonzalez	898-0447
Provost’s Office	353B 3401 Walnut	Susan Curran	898-6841
Museum Reception Desk	Near Kress Gallery	Bonnie Crossfield	898-4001
Women’s Center	3643 Locust Walk	Gloria Gay	898-8611
Af-Am Resource Center	3537 Locust Walk	Rob Carter	898-0104
SAS	120 Logan Hall	Stephanie Jones	898-7867
Van Pelt-Dietrich Library	Shared Catalogue Dept.	Rachelle Nelson	898-9048
Renal Division	111 Clinical Research Bldg.	Yvonne McLean Florence	898-1018
ISC	265C 3401 Walnut	Doris Pate	573-6803
Wharton	1000 SH-DH	Jennifer O’Keefe	898-1092
Nursing	Fagin Hall: Room 213	Donna Milici	573-0747
Sansom Commons	203A Sansom West	Kathy Ritchie	573-3561
VPUL	3611 Locust Walk	Patricia Ravenell	898-5337
University Club at Penn	3611 Walnut/Inn at Penn	Natalka Swavely	898-4618
NCCP	133 South 36th/5th Floor	Isabel Mapp	898-2020
Cell & Dev. Biology	1157 BRB II/III	Kim Walls	898-8045
Law School	Silverman, Rm. 145	L’Tanya Nelson	898-7144
Human Resources	3401 Walnut, Suite 538A	Darcell Griffith	898-6884
Linguistics	619 Williams Hall	Amy Forsyth	898-6046
School of Medicine	335 Anatomy Chemistry Bldg.	Larissa Mogano/Sharon Connelly	898-2876
BRB	421 Curie Blvd.	Coral Haas	573-6796

Penn VIPS—Adopt A Family for the Holidays Program

During the holidays in December, departments from across the University “adopt” a deserving family. The adoption is usually done in lieu of departmental gift exchanges. The assigned family is treated to presents and sometimes holiday dinner. Families participate in the program on a one-time basis.

Families are assigned to departments based on request. Departments choose the size of the family and may also request the ages of the children they are interested in adopting. Departments may request a “wish list” from the family or choose their own gifts for the family members. Departments choose the number and types of gifts they will provide. Departments are provided with size of the family, names, ages and sizes of each family member. Departments are encouraged to deliver gifts to the families, but they may also request to have gifts delivered.

Families are selected from the Carroll Park Community Council’s Housing Program and SunnyCrest Family Service Agency. A small number of referrals are also accepted. Selection of families began in November and assignments are made in early December.

Contact Isabel Mapp at (215) 898-2020 or send an e-mail: sammapp@pobox.upenn.edu; for more information and/or to volunteer.

—Isabel Mapp, Associate Director, Faculty, Staff and Alumni Volunteer Services, Netter Center for Community Partnerships

Recognized Holidays for Penn Faculty and Staff. The Special Winter Vacation granted to faculty and staff between Christmas Day and New Year’s Day will be December 26, 29, 30, 31, 2008 and January 2, 2009. If an employee is required to work to continue departmental operations for part or all of this period, the special winter vacation can be re-scheduled for some other time. Normal University hours of operation resume Monday, January 5, 2009.

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