

# The University Seminars Newsletter



**Winter** 2019

# ANNOUNCEMENTS from the OFFICE

Dear Friends of The University Seminars,

On April 10th, we will host our 75th Annual Dinner Meeting. This is the first of a series of anniversary events culminating in the 2020 Schoff Memorial Lecture Series and the publication of a 75th Anniversary volume of essays written by seminar members and published by Columbia University Press.

We look forward to celebrating with you!

Wishing you a warm & happy semester,

Bob, Alice, Gesenia, Pamela, Summer, & John

## **LIBRARY PRIVILEGES FOR ASSOCIATE MEMBERS**

Free reading and borrowing privileges at University Libraries are available to all seminar associates. The Columbia University Identification Card (CUID) must be presented at the library door to gain access. Seminar associates may call the Seminar's central office for instructions on how to obtain a CUID. [READ MORE...](#)

## **DIGITAL ARCHIVE ACCESS**

We are happy to announce that chairs and rapporteurs now have remote log in access and that our office can grant access to members and scholars on an as need basis. For more information, contact [Summer Hart](#).

## **NEW WEBSITE**

The University Seminars is launching an undated website this spring. Stay tuned!

## **REMINDER FOR CHAIRS**

Scheduling meetings happens in the spring. Please start thinking about travel budgeting, scheduling visiting speakers, and also confirm your rapporteur for Academic Year 2019-2020. You will receive an email with a NEW ACADEMIC YEAR PLANNING form from the office in April.

# SAVE THE DATE

4.10.19

The University Seminars

75th  
Annual Dinner Meeting

***The 2019 Tannenbaum Lecture will be given by Eric R. Kandel, M.D.***

**RECEPTION at 6, DINNER at 7 | INVITATION TO FOLLOW**

# Spring 2019 bar dates

**January** 31

**February** 1, 5, 6, 7, 8, 12, 13, 15, 21, 28

**March** 1, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 11, 12, 13, 14, 28

**April** 9, 10, 11, 12, 15, 18, 25

**May** 1, 2, 3, 10

Dates subject to change. Please check website for updates.

## COMMUNITY HOUR

AT FACULTY HOUSE IS  
BACK ON FEBRUARY 22!

Start the semester off right. Before you head home, take some time to wind down and socialize with your colleagues and other Columbia community members.

64 Morningside Drive  
New York, New York 10027  
212.854.1200  
[fachouse@columbia.edu](mailto:fachouse@columbia.edu)

### SPRING DATES:

Friday, February 22

Friday, March 15

Friday, April 19

Thursday, May 16

Faculty House  
Ivy Lounge, 1<sup>st</sup> Floor  
5:00 p.m.–7:00 p.m.

\$10 open bar with  
beer and wine

Complimentary  
light snacks

No reservations required

Cash and credit cards  
both accepted

 COLUMBIA | FACULTY HOUSE

### CALLING ALL CHAIRS!

You are cordially invited to lunch at Faculty House with the Director and Deputy Director (Bob & Alice) this semester. Please send Alice a few possible dates. We'll organize small groups and talk about the seminars and more.

To schedule a lunch,  
email **Alice**:

[an2113@columbia.edu](mailto:an2113@columbia.edu)

# The University Seminars Calendar

*Travel Fund Request Deadlines Fall: 9.7.18, Spring: 1.22.19*

## Spring 2019

1.1   Tuesday	New Year's Day	Morningside Campus closed   FH Closed
1.21   Monday	Martin Luther King, Jr. Day	Morningside Campus closed   FH Closed
1.22   Tuesday	Spring Term Begins	
2.5   Tuesday	FH Reopens for Lunch	Lunch Service Runs from 12 - 2
3.18-3.22   Monday - Friday	Spring Holidays	FH Closed for Events   FH Closed for Lunch
3.21   Thursday	Purim	Holiday begins at sunset on 3.20
3.25   Monday	FH Reopens for Lunch	Lunch Service Runs from 12 - 2
4.10   Wednesday	Annual Dinner   Tannenbaum Lecture   Reception at 6, Dinner at 7	
4.19   Friday	Good Friday	
4.20 - 4.27   Saturday - Saturday	Passover	Holiday begins at sunset on 4.19
4.21   Sunday	Easter Sunday	
5.3   Friday	FH Closes for Lunch	FH Dining Room closes 2pm
5.6   Monday	Spring Term Ends	
5.22   Wednesday	Commencement	
5.24   Friday	FH Closes for Seminar Meetings   Special Events Only	
5.27   Monday	Memorial Day	Morningside Campus closed   FH Closed

*The University Seminars Office will be closed on Fridays from 6.7.2019 until 8.30.2019.*

## LUNCH AT FACULTY HOUSE

Faculty House Lunch reservations are accepted through the [OPEN TABLE](#) website.

**PLEASE NOTE: Faculty House will be closed for lunch on the following dates:**

**2.8, 3.1, 3.18-3.22 (Spring Break), 4.1, 4.5, 4.8**

## EPIC YOGA

Yoga for EPIC members is led by Virginia Papaioannou, Professor of Genetics and Development, and a registered teacher with the Yoga Alliance Registry.

[READ MORE...](#)

## MID DAY MUSIC

Mid-Day Music @ Columbia offers live music to a general audience, following the rendition established by Aaron Warner and Isidor Isaac Rabi, great lovers of music whose memory lives on at Faculty House. Come join us in the Garden Room at Faculty House, where Students and Music Associates from Columbia University's Music Performance Program will be showcased in an afternoon recital series.

**All events are on Wednesdays at 1pm at Faculty House.**

[View full schedule](#)

## UPCOMING CONFERENCES

**02.22.19 | 613 | Full Employment, Social Welfare, and Equity**

*Consultation to Design Winnable Federal Job Guarantee Legislation*

**02.28.19 - 03.02.19 | Sites of Cinema**

*Legacies of Leftism in Film and Media Theory: East Asia and Beyond*

**03.07.19 - 03.08.19 | Slavic History and Culture**

*Displacement and Display: Iliazd as a Transnational Artist*

**03.29.19 - 03.30.19 | 441 | Classical Civilization**

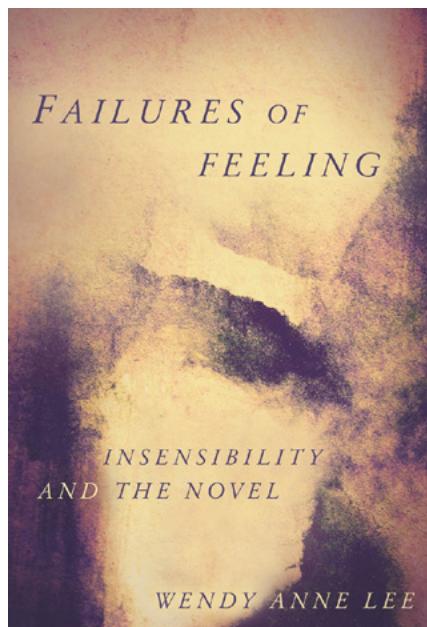
*Ovidius Philosophus*

**April 18-20, 2019 | 559 | Arabic Studies**

*The Cultural Turn in Arabic Literary Production*

## BOOK RELEASE PARTY

**417 | Eighteenth-Century European Culture**



**02.13.19**

**6pm**

**The Event Space |  
244 Greene Street, NYC**

Just out from Stanford University Press, this book recovers the curious history of the "insensible" in the Age of Sensibility. Tracking this figure through the English novel's uneven and messy past, Wendy Anne Lee draws on Enlightenment theories of the passions to place philosophy back into conversation with narrative. Contemporary critical theory often simplifies or disregards earlier accounts of emotions, while eighteenth-century studies has focused on cultural histories of sympathy. In launching a more philosophical inquiry about what emotions are, Failures of Feeling corrects for both of these oversights.

[READ MORE...](#)

# ANNOUNCEMENTS from the COMMUNITY

## 511 | Innovation in Education

**Elizabeth Cohn, PhD**, co-chair of the Seminar on Innovation in Education and Rudin Professor of Community Health at Hunter College, addressed the Nursing Research Forum at the Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center on Jan. 7th, with a presentation live-streamed to health professionals nationwide.

**Mariola Strahlberg** of the Seminar on Innovation in Education organized a conference on Nov. 9th, exploring the life and work of Janusz Korczak, the Polish Jewish children's educator and pedagogue, featuring a keynote lecture by Dr. Marta Santos Pais, UN Special Representative of the Secretary-General on Violence Against Children. The conference was co-sponsored by the East Central European Center, the Harriman Institute, the Janusz Korczak Association of the USA, and the Polish Cultural Institute.

## 551 | Ottoman and Turkish Studies

**Zeynep Çelik** is the recipient of the prestigious *Giorgio Levi Della Vida Award*, given to outstanding scholars whose work has significantly and lastingly advanced the study of Islamic civilization.

"As the preeminent architectural historian and museum curator of the Middle East and North Africa, Zeynep Çelik has been selected for her extraordinary teaching and research along with her extensive publication record. The award carries with it a bronze medal and an invitation to present a formal keynote lecture as part of a conference held at UCLA CNES. The recipient of the award chooses the theme of the conference and selects the other participants. The conference proceedings are published in the Giorgio Levi Della Vida Series in Islamic Studies."

## 667 | The History of Columbia University

Long-time Seminar member, **Michael Garrett** (College, Business, and Law schools) has been collecting lion things forever. He and his collection are covered in a fall 2018 COLUMBIA Magazine story, which is available online: see pages 7-11.

[READ MORE...](#)



The collector's kitchen, or  
*Lions On and Over the Range*

**Photo: Michael Garrett**

## 689 | Memory and Slavery

Original lyrics and music by seminar member **Sheldon Krimsky** and Paul Lenart, titled "The Borders of Freedom", discussing the immigration crisis in the context of US historical immigration and Lazerus' poem on the Statue of Liberty. The song, sung by Dan Brenner, is overlaid on imagery of past and present immigration.

[LINK HERE](#)

## 771 | Indigenous Studies



UPCOMING EXHIBITION curated by **Aaron Glass**. *The Story Box: Franz Boas, George Hunt, and the Making of Anthropology*, co-organized with the U'mista Cultural Centre and featuring designs by Kwakwaka'wakw artist Corrine Hunt

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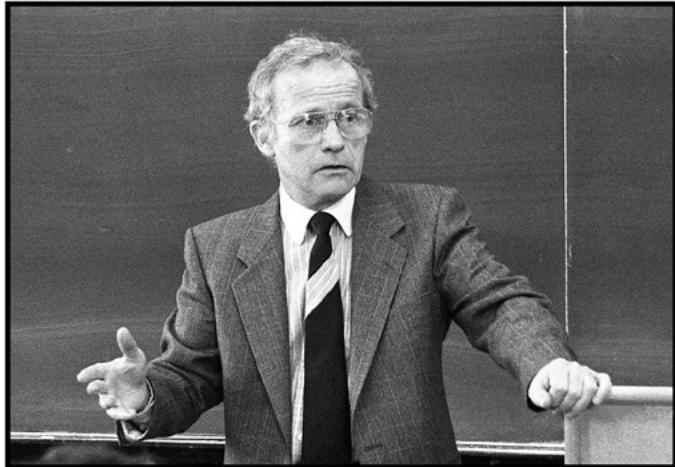
# IN MEMORIUM

## 407 | The Renaissance

The Seminar on the Renaissance member **Edward "Ted" Tayler** passed away last April. A celebration of his life will be held on Friday, March 15, 2019, in Low Library Rotunda on Columbia University's main campus, in which students, colleagues, and friends will share memories of Ted's effect on their lives. A reception will follow. Please spread the news -- all are welcome.

Educated at Amherst and Stanford, Ted Tayler taught at Columbia from 1960 to 1999, specializing in the poetry and prose of the sixteenth and seventeenth centuries, with special attention to Shakespeare and Milton. His books included *Nature and Art in Renaissance Literature* (1964); *Literary Criticism of Seventeenth-Century England* (1967); *Milton's Poetry* (1979); and *Donne's Idea of a Woman* (1991), and his honors included a Guggenheim Fellowship (1969) and the Milton Society's "Honored Scholar" award (1989). At Columbia, he was a celebrated and beloved teacher, who won the "Great Teacher" award from the Society of Older Graduates (1985), the Mark Van Doren Award for Teaching and Leadership (1986), the Presidential Award for Outstanding Teaching (1996), and an award for Distinguished Service to Core Curriculum. He was also a long-term member and generous supporter of the Seminar in the Renaissance.

For questions, or if you would like to send your reminiscences about Ted, please contact Ria Coyne at [rmc12@columbia.edu](mailto:rmc12@columbia.edu).



JESSICA RAIN/COLUMBIA COLLEGE TODAY

A celebration of the life of  
PROFESSOR EDWARD W. TAYLER  
Friday, March 15, 2019

3:00 PM  
Low Library Rotunda  
Columbia University  
2960 Broadway

*Reception to follow*

# Got News??

We'd love to hear from you.

***Deadline for the Spring 2019 issue: April 1, 2019***

Please visit our website for [submissions guidelines](#).

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