The Emerson Network Update - July 25, 2014

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Upcoming Events

July 27 - Los Angeles - Sunday on Sunset
August 12 - Washington, DC - GOLD Council Reception
August 16 - Los Angeles - GOLD Summer BBQ
August 16 - NYC - Mets vs. Cubs game & Boys II Men concert
September 13 - Colorado - Steven Wright Meet & Greet
Weekly - Los Angeles - ELA Building Tours

Boston

Diane Purdy '55 is a national award-winning playwright, who has been writing children's plays and producing children's theatre since 1970. She even turned one of her plays, *The Bedraggled Dragon*, into an illustrated storybook and it is on sale on [Amazon](https://www.amazon.com).


Caitlin McCarthy, MFA '94, received the Kathleen Roberts Creative Leadership Award at the Massachusetts Teachers Association Human and Civil Rights Award Banquet in June. [Read more »](https://www.emerson.edu/alumni/)

Ed Daly '97 was promoted to senior director of Internal Communications at Blue Cross Blue Shield of Massachusetts where he oversees the company's employee communications and media productions. He previously served as the director.


Emma Putnam '06 has been appointed as operations coordinator for StageSource, joining Emerson faculty member and StageSource executive director, Julie Hennrikus. She recently completed her MS in Arts administration at Boston University's Metropolitan College.

Enrico Spada '06 is the founder of Pittsfield Shakespeare in the Park, which is presenting free, outdoor

**Benjamin Keddy, MA ’07**, will celebrate the opening of his art exhibition, *Better World Cup*, Saturday, July 26. This exhibition will be on display at nightfall from July 26 to August 8 at 2298 Massachusetts Avenue in Cambridge.

**Los Angeles**

**Jen Kirkman ‘96**, author and comedian, is currently on tour throughout the United States, Canada, Ireland, and more. She will be stopping in Boston at the end of December. Her book, *I Can Barely Take Care of Myself*, is a *New York Times* Bestseller. Read more »

**Tom Grey ’02** launched a YouTube channel with composer and pianist Sonya Belousova called Player Piano, where classical musicians play popular songs and soundtrack themes.

**Samantha Shada '08** is the producer and director for Seeking Our Story, an educational screening series that presents one film a month and highlights women filmmakers. This evening, Friday, July 25, *The Piano* by Jane Campion will be screened at Mimoda Studio. Doors open at 7:30 pm. RSVP here »

**Shawn Marek '10** would like to share a part-time job opportunity as a junior producer for Sideshow Network. Duties include in-studio recording and audio maintenance, editing and file uploading, social media and promotion, generating new show ideas with talent, and video editing for YouTube and website content. Please send resumes to shawn@sideshownetwork.tv.

**New York City**

**Bobbi Brown ‘79** has gone from makeup artist to business mogul and has made her brand into a billion-dollar makeup empire. Check out this feature on CNN.com on Bobbi as part of their "leading women" series »

**Emmanuel Psihountas ’09** is an associate producer for Left/Right Inc., currently working on a new fall program for the History Channel.

**Emily C. A. Snyder MA ’09**, received a mention in *The Wall Street Journal* for her 2006 *Ophelia-amped Hamlet*. Read the article »

**Maryalice Aymong ‘11**, a writer and producer for *Good Morning America*, won a Daytime Emmy Award for Outstanding Morning Program.

**New England**

**Barrington, New Hampshire**

**Mike Pomp ’75** is celebrating three decades at Dover's WTSN radio station. The award-winning
broadcaster has been the voice of the Tri-City region on AM 1270 WTSN since 1984. Read more »

Camden, Maine
Paul Doiron, MFA '97, has a new book, *The Bone Orchard*. Check out this interview of Paul discussing the book »

Greenwich, Connecticut
Seth Bacon '00 has been named senior vice president of Media at Major League Soccer and Soccer United Marketing. Bacon will be responsible for developing and executing the direction of the league’s media properties and will oversee the distribution of content and programming on international, national and regional levels.

Fairfield, Connecticut
Katie Hubbard '14 joined Simon & Schuster as a desktop publishing assistant. She was previously a special sales intern for the Perseus Books Group.

Mid-Atlantic
West Milford, New Jersey
Patrick Brennan '90, owner of City Mouse Country Mouse Productions, announced the release of his new half hour travel/food show, *Food 101*. He is currently looking for an agent and/or distributor. See the sizzle reel here »

Chester, New Jersey
Larissa Ackerman '12 is working with Jon Derek Croteau '99 on the publicity for his memoir, *My Thinning Years: Starving the Gay Within*, which will be published in September with Hazelden Publishing. It tells Croteau's story of how he developed an internalized homophobia and denied his sexuality until participating in Emerson's Kasteel Well program where he learned to accept his true self. He will be at Emerson’s Barnes & Noble to promote his book on September 11.

Philadelphia, Pennsylvania
Coli Sylla '07 accepted a position as an inventory specialist II with ABC owned television station, Central Traffic Operations Hub in Philadelphia. He previously worked with Nielsen Research in Los Angeles but relocated to the east coast in November 2013.

USA
Washburn, Wisconsin
Claire Duquette '81, a member of the Big Water Film Festival board, hopes Emersonians will submit films for the 2014 festival, to be held November 7 to 9 in Ashland, Wisconsin. Films of all lengths and genres will be considered. Entries made by August 1 can be considered. For more information »
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There are two LA part-time faculty positions open at Emerson College Los Angeles (ELA). Apply today!
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  Part-time adjunct faculty, Entertainment Marketing & Cross Promotion

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