The Emerson Network Update - September 28, 2012

The Emerson Network is a bi-weekly email for Emerson alumni to share updates and announcements with the Emerson family.


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Boston

Peabody, MA
Steve Bluestein ’68 will be reading from his book, It’s so hard to type with a gun in my mouth, Tuesday, October 9 at Temple Beth Shalom. Steve will share his memoirs of growing up in MA, working in show biz and traveling with some of the great entertainers of our time. More info »

Russ Gannon ’89 recently recorded a narration/translation for PBS for the Frontline episodes “The Battle for Syria” and “Inside Japan's Nuclear Meltdown.” More info »

Joel Wool ’10 began a community organizing fellowship with JOIN for Justice in late August. Through this program, he continues his work in the MA office of Clean Water Action while workshopping skills and becoming part of a very large, warm, variously Jewish community of practice. At CWA, Joel advocates for clean energy. He’s pleased to work feet away from classmate and friend Darylle Sheehan ‘10.

New York City

Iris Groma ’68 produced the new stage reading of Gefilte Fish Chronicles the Musical, inspired by the beloved documentary, The Gefilte Fish Chronicles, on October 22. Casting by Lexie Pergosian and performed by Dayna Graber, Sara Dobrinich ’08, Jordan Kai Burnett ’08 and Karen Blumenthal Shuffler ’68. The show celebrates the power of family and tradition. For more information contact IrisTBT@gmail.com.

Hosh Gureli ’83 has a company Hoshg Music that has partnered with Primary Wave Music, management home to Cee-lo and publisher of the iconic catalogs of EWF, Nirvana, Def Leppard & Hall & Oats and many others. In partnering with Primary Wave Talent Management, Hosh will serve as Head of PW's Electronic Music Division and will actively seek new EDM artists for both Management and Publishing. Previously, Hosh was VP of A&R at the RCA Music Group/Sony Music.

Interested in A Cappella or Barbershop singing? Ken Nero ’98 is seeking new members for the University Glee Club of NYC. The 100 + member club was founded in 1894 to promote male singing of
the highest quality and will be singing in Carnegie Hall in January. For more information contact Ken at Kenneth.nero@gmail.com.

Dinner for One, the sketch comedy group that includes Allyson Condrath '11, Max Fox '11, Jake Mann '11, Kyle Miller '11, Ian Wexler ’13 & Alex Zagey '11 will be performing Sunday, October 14 at NYC Sketchfest. The NYC Alumni Chapter will be going to The Globe for drinks after the show for an extended happy hour and drink specials.

Los Angeles

Andrew Jackson '91 had a book published this summer, Still the Greatest: The Essential Songs of the Beatles’ Solo Careers, which has been recommended by USA Today and excerpted on Rolling Stone.com. It is available on Amazon. More info »

Dana Hahn '02 is leaving her position as Director of Sales & Marketing at The Writers Store in Burbank to become Director of Marketing for Final Draft, Inc. Final Draft is the #1 best-selling screenwriting software, which she used to write her first screenplay in the computer lab at Emerson.

Beth Overlan '07 was promoted from Senior Account Executive to Vice President at The Abernathy MacGregor Group.

Hilda (Outwater) Kane '07 was recently nominated for an Ovation Award for Best Lighting Design in an Intimate Theater for her work on "The Elephant Man" presented by the Mechanicals Theatre Company. The Ovation Awards are organized by the LA Stage Alliance to honor stage productions in the Los Angeles Area.

Nicole (Trifiro) DiCicco '07 is leaving her role as multi-media specialist at BroadcastMed Inc. in Farmington, CT to relocate to Los Angeles. She will be joining her husband, Alex DiCicco '08, who has left his Studio Operator position at ESPN to work as a freelance jib operator for Time Warner Sports, launching the Lakers Network. Nicole’s background is in TV/Video Production and Writing; she is seeking a creative opportunity in a related field in the LA market.

Cutter Hodierne '10 directed the short fictional film, Fishing Without Nets. The film won the grand jury prize in short filmmaking at the 2012 Sundance Film Festival. VICE, the youth media brand, is teaming up with THINK Media Studios’ to help take the film to the big-screen. VICE is financing the full-length feature. Further details »

Jacqueline Exline '12 is now the Associate Producer for Joan & Melissa: Joan Knows Best? Season 3 at Pie Town Productions. Joan Knows Best is on the WE Network.

Chicago

Jay Mooney '92 will be running in the Chicago Marathon. Jay joined the American Cancer Society’s Team Determination. To donate to Jay’s fundraising team visit his donation website.

Kate Merena ’05 is the Associate Producer & Marketing Director for a Chicago production of Stephen Sondheim's Assassins. Kris Hyland ’10 is playing Giuseppe Zangara. Stephen Sondheim's musical comedy Assassins brings to light the pain of alienation, regret, and failure that underlies each character’s failure to achieve the American Dream. Support fellow Emersonians Oct 10-Nov 10 at the Viaduct Theater, 3111 N Western Ave. Info and tickets »
USA

Irvine, California
Scott Rutherford ’02 writes, “I'd like to share an opportunity with the Emerson film community: please contact me if you are interested in submitting a pre-release feature film for consideration in this Fall's film series, “Sneak Previews with Michael Berlin,” a six-week program of the University of California, Irvine Extension. Please respond to me at scott.rutherford@uci.edu by Friday, October 5 with your contact information and a link to the film's IMDB page.”

North Carolina
Anna Lena Phillips, MFA '06
Was: Book Review Editor, American Scientist magazine
Now: Senior Editor, American Scientist magazine

Princeton, New Jersey
Matt Coburn, MA '10, was previously eBook Production Coordinator at EBSCO in Ipswich MA. Matt accepted the role of Publisher Content Coordinator for Portico, a division of ITHAKA, in Princeton NJ.

Emersonians in the Media

Bobbi Brown ’79 was a featured guest on “The Today Show” this past week to discuss her new book Pretty Powerful. Learn more »

Martie Cook ’82, MFA ’99 was featured on DeadlineHollywood.com. Martie will be serving as a consulting producer on the new Jerry Bruckheimer produced pilot, At Ease. Read more »

View highlights from the inauguration of President Pelton »

Shameless Plugs

Upcoming Events
October 2 - Boston - Bright Lights: Urban Odyssey with filmmaker Maryanne Galvin ’94
October 4 - Webinar - Alumni Professional Development Series: Presenting Yourself in Print
October 9 - Webinar - Repeat: Alumni Professional Development Series: Presenting Yourself in Print
October 16 - Boston - Film Screening and Q&A of In the Family with Andrew van den Houten '02
October 18 - Boston - Film Screening and Q&A of Funeral Kings with Kevin & Matt McManus ’09

October 18-21 - Austin, TX - Austin Film Festival Alumni/Student Gathering--If you're planning to be in Austin for the film festival or are in the area, please contact Alexandra_Hough@emerson.edu.

Ready, Set, Bid! Support the 7th Annual Alumni Association Scholarship Auction by donating or helping us secure items such as tickets, travel packages, memorabilia, and more! The online auction will run from November 2-30. Submit your item » View package samples from last year's auction »

Save the Date! Alumni Weekend 2013 is May 31-June 2. We'll be celebrating classes ending in 3 & 8.
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