The Emerson Network Update - July 5, 2013

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

Brian Francis Heffron '78 is currently on tour for his debut novel released on May 2. Colorado Mandala has already received outstanding reviews and was selected as Goodread.com's Book of the Month.

Anthony D'Aries '04 received the Gold Medal in Memoir at Foreword Magazine's Book of the Year Awards for his memoir, The Language of Men. Anthony recently left his position as a literacy instructor at the Suffolk County House of Correction. He will be the director of the writing program at Regis College starting in the fall.

Sean Hanley '10 will appear in person at the Brattle Theatre on July 15 with director Lynne Sachs for the New England premiere of Your Day is My Night, a hybrid documentary that follows residents of a "shift-bed" apartment in New York's Chinatown. The film premiered at the Museum of Modern Art's Documentary Fortnight 2013. Hanley acted as cinematographer, editor and co-producer. More info »

Sydney Robinson '10 was the makeup artist, wig, hair and costume designer for the student short film, i4i, at Bridgewater Campus MovieFest this past April. i4i won Best Picture, Best Actress and the Golden Tripod Award for Best Special Effects. The film was a top 5 finalist in the Special Effects Category at the Campus MovieFest Awards in Hollywood. The film will be shown at Cannes Film Festival 2014 and screened on Virgin Atlantic Airlines flights for the next year. Check it out »

Iris Febres '12 was a speaker at the Future Publishing and Accessibility Conference in Copenhagen, Denmark, which took place June 13–14. Her session covered accessibility within ebook formats, focusing on the EPUB3 standard and Amazon's Kindle Format 8. Iris was one of four speakers from the United States invited to participate in this conference. More info »

New York City

Remsenburg, NY

Julie Tuthill Fehring '85 is the president of Ideas Space Time Inc., which will be launching two new consumer products in July/August 2013 utilizing e-commerce and, in the coming months, TV.

Anthony Fisher '01 is raising post-production funds for his feature film debut Sidewalk Traffic on the
crowdfunding site Rockethub. *Sidewalk Traffic* was shot over 15 days in NYC this past winter and features appearances by Joe Randazzo '02, Heather Leroy '01, Jordan Clifford '09 and Hailey Giles '03. [Learn more and support the film »](https://adminlb.imodules.com/controls/email_marketing/admin...)

Jason E. Grossman '02 won a Tony Award for Best Play for *Vanya and Sonia and Masha and Spike*, which he co-produced. The play received six Tony nominations.

Ballard C. Boyd '04 (director/editor) and Rob Asaro '05 (writer/actor) along with co-writer/actor Nick Freeman premiered the comedy webseries “Serious Business,” about two roommates with great ambition but terrible ideas. The six episode season opened at the Friars' Club Comedy Film Festival in April and has screened at three festivals so far. Also featuring Ashley Nease '04, Megan Raye Manzi '03 and Lauren Ford '05, the show can be seen at [SeriousBusinessComedy.com](http://SeriousBusinessComedy.com).

Gregory Jacobs-Roseman '05 had his new musical "Save The Date" accepted into the 2013 New York International Fringe Festival. The world premiere production will be directed by Nikki Rothenberg '05 and will run this August in lower Manhattan. [More info »](https://adminlb.imodules.com/controls/email_marketing/admin...)

Jinnie Lee '06 co-created and launched STET, a site dedicated to emerging writers and their books.

Chris Collins '09 had his first feature film, *Grand Comme Le Baobab*, close the International Human Rights Festival in New York City on June 23.

Kim McGuire '09 and Andrew Bear '11 worked on a parody commercial for FunnyorDie.com. [Check it out »](https://adminlb.imodules.com/controls/email_marketing/admin...)

**Los Angeles**

Jack Landron '61, aka Jackie Washington, has a new CD of 12 original songs entitled, "Curbside Cotillion." [Available now »](https://adminlb.imodules.com/controls/email_marketing/admin...)

Pete McPartland Jr. '03 won a Daytime Emmy as the executive producer for *Trisha’s Southern Kitchen* on The Food Network (Outstanding Culinary Program).

Julian Higgins '08 now has his Student Academy Award-winning film, *Thief*, available at Elevision, a highly-curated hub for visionary and award-winning short content from the founders of Vimeo and Whlophin. [Check it out »](https://adminlb.imodules.com/controls/email_marketing/admin...)

Sam Clarke '10
Was: Office PA - Modern Family (ABC)  
Now: Writers PA - Enlisted (FOX)

Caroline Dart '11 and Fernanda Vazquez '12 are associate producers of *Dinner At The Bergman’s*, a nine-minute documentary about one dinner, one family and two moms. The film was released this month coinciding with DOMA in the Supreme Court and National LGBTQ Pride Month. [View it now »](https://adminlb.imodules.com/controls/email_marketing/admin...)

Ian Cardoni '12 has recently been signed by two agencies. The 2012 BFA Acting alum has been building professional credits since graduation and is now with House of Representatives for film/TV, and with NTA for commercial work.

Magda Romanska, Emerson professor and playwright, received rave reviews on her new play *Opheliacmachine*, which opened at the City Garage Theatre at Bergamont Station in Santa Monica. [More info and tickets »](https://adminlb.imodules.com/controls/email_marketing/admin...)


California

Monterey, CA
Stephanie Anne Johnson '74 has received her doctorate in Interdisciplinary Studies / Public Policy from Union Institute & University. She has also been promoted to Full Professor at California State University, Monterey Bay.

San Francisco, CA
Jeremiah Cohick '07 left Awe.sm as the director of product in February and joined Fitbit as an API software engineer. He spoke at APIdays Mediterranea conference in Madrid, Spain on May 31, 2013 about user experience research methodologies for third-party developer products.

New England

Burlington, VT
Eric Hauser '96 and his wife Jen LiMarzi, relocated from New York City to Burlington, Vermont and have started a vintage eyewear company, jenericVintage. Vintage enthusiasts themselves, Eric and Jen sell authentic vintage frames from the 1940s - 1970s for men and women. Their online shop can be found at www.jenericVintage.com.

Emersonians in the Media

Colette Phillips, MS '76 and Raj Sharma, MA '83 are featured in a *Boston Globe* article about the power of networking. Read more »

Ly Tran '97 was named one of Advertising Age's 2013 Women to Watch. Read more »

Emerson College is leading the GNAC in All-Academic honors! 95 Student-Athletes were named to the 2012-13 GNAC Academic All-Conference Team.

Shameless Plugs

September 25 - Denver - Red Sox vs. Rockies Game

*Missed one of our webinars this past year? We hosted sessions on film festivals, voice over, personal finance, entrepreneurship and many more!* Check out our webinar archive to view them now »

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