The Emerson Network Update - August 23, 2013

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Boston

David Iseman '75 is a real estate broker and would be delighted to help Emersonians find a vacation home or permanent residence on beautiful Cape Cod. He can also provide no-cost relocation assistance anywhere in the U.S. through his referral networks.

Marc Botelho '03 has been, and continues to, volunteer his time working with Boston Free Radio(BFR), a free speech internet radio station run out of Somerville Community Access Television in Union Square Somerville. As Promotions Director, he has begun coordinating a series of free concerts sponsored by the station to promote it along with the local music scene in Boston. Aside from that and wrenching on vehicles older than him, he’s been lending his voice talents to the Radiomancy Museum, a show on BFR that airs Tuesdays 5-7 pm. You can submit audio to be played on the program at radiomancymuseum@gmail.com. More info »

Caitlin McCarthy, MFA '94, has a guest blog post featured on Stage 32 about her Wonder Drug script. The film is currently in development with actress/creative producer Alysia Reiner (Netflix’s hit series “Orange is the New Black”). Read more »

The Boston Strong team is headed to the VMAs! Lane Brenner ’13, Nick Reynolds ’14, & Chris Dobens ’16 were recognized by Random Acts of MTVu for their work and received a round of thank yous from Robin Thicke, Tegan and Sarah and the cast of Pretty Little Liars to name a few. Check it out »

Los Angeles

Natalia Garcia, MA'96, has a new short film, The Masquerade, now available on iTunes.

Jenny Byrd '04, Brimmer Street Theatre Company and Gregory Crafts '03, Theatre Unleashed, were elected to the Producers League of Los Angeles inaugural board. Read more »

Ryan Farley '05 is a co-producer on the writing staff of Low Winter Sun. The show premiered 8/11 on AMC.
**Harris Wittels '06** sold an untitled comedy to NBC for this upcoming season. [More info »](https://adminlb.imodules.com/controls/email_marketing/admin...)

**Lucas Smolic '07**, previously Tech Lead at 72andSunny, and his co-founder, Neil Hamel, left their jobs to create a C2C marketplace called Haggle Rock. They intend to build an experience that's as fun as the people contributing to it, as interesting as the items in it, and as engaging as the real world around it. Curious? Send them a note: [hello@hagglerock.com](mailto:hello@hagglerock.com).

**Gaby Dunn '09** is filming a superhero comedy pilot, *Super Nothing*, in Los Angeles and has begun crowdfunding for it. It's about a lazy convenience store employee who has to finally use her superpowers for good, instead of for heating up Hot Pockets and skipping work. [Learn more »](https://adminlb.imodules.com/controls/email_marketing/admin...)

**Edgar Rosa '12** followed his final semester at Emerson's Los Angeles summer program by entering the American Film Institute Conservatory's graduate level producing discipline in the fall of 2012. Now in his second year, he is gearing up to produce his thesis film: *Son Of A Barman*. Check it out on [Facebook](https://adminlb.imodules.com/controls/email_marketing/admin...)

**New York City**

**Sara DeViney '12** recently launched a children's web series "Iris and I". Each episode, Sara and Iris investigate a common childhood fear. They use a dictionary, non-fiction books, talk to friends and neighbors about their experiences and interview a community expert. We find out so much about the one fear-it's not so scary anymore! The ten-minute web show can be watched all at once, or in three-minute segments to fit a busy schedule. Show also features [Lauren Chapman, BFA '13](https://adminlb.imodules.com/controls/email_marketing/admin...)(Iris). Check it out on [Facebook](https://adminlb.imodules.com/controls/email_marketing/admin...)

**Sloatsburg, NY**

**Geoff Welch '68** is producing the 4th Highlands Bluegrass Festival at Harmony Hall, 15 Liberty Rock Road in Sloatsburg, NY on Sun. Sept. 8, 1pm - 6pm. A free outdoor event. Featuring the Rowan Cunningham Band - Chris and Lorin Rowan and the amazing 5-string fiddle player Sue Cunningham.

Contact: [geoffwelch@gmail.com](mailto:geoffwelch@gmail.com) or (845) 712-5220.

**USA**

**Virginia**

**Julie Barden '82** writes: "As an award-winning journalist, I have written my first book in an effort to help other victims heal. I talk about how life-saving my time spent at Emerson College was. I would have mentioned EC by name but, because my true story is so provocative, the publisher requested that I remove all specific names and references. Simply stated, the education I received at Emerson saved my life and I am eternally grateful and proud to be a graduate." Check out her new novel, [newyoricangirl »](https://adminlb.imodules.com/controls/email_marketing/admin...)

**South Carolina**

**Martha (Thomas) Menchinger MA'87** recently returned from a five week trip to China. She was one of twelve teachers chosen to teach American culture to students in a Total Immersion Methodology Program. [Read more »](https://adminlb.imodules.com/controls/email_marketing/admin...)

**Fairhaven, NJ**

**Garrett Bess '88**, president of [Two River Pictures](https://adminlb.imodules.com/controls/email_marketing/admin...), proudly announces two new and exciting television projects. "Belly Up!" with host Chef Eddie Russell premiered on August 19 at 9 pm EST on Cooking Channel. "Good Food America" on Veria Living was picked up for an additional season launching in spring 2014 with a brand new host, Danny Boome, who takes viewers on a culinary adventure in search
of the tastiest and healthiest eats across America. In 2012, Two River Pictures was nominated for the Best Food Travel Series at the Taste Awards for "Good Food America with Nathan Lyon" as well as a 2011 James Beard Foundation Award nomination in the category of Broadcast Media (Television Special/Documentary) for the one hour special "The Four Coursemen" on Cooking Channel.

**Michigan**

Mike Isenberg ’89 won two Michigan Emmy Awards in his role as Coordinating Producer at Fox Sports Detroit. This brings his total to 10 Emmys. He is also working on his second book, due out next spring.

**Miami, FL**

Matthew Porter ’08 was promoted to cover the University of Miami Hurricanes for The Palm Beach Post. This comes after three years as a high school sports beat writer and a year as a web producer for the Post, which is based in West Palm Beach, FL. Matthew is engaged to be married to Kimberly Fulscher and they have a mutt named Charlie, mostly a Shih Tzu/Yorkie mix.

Will Kowall ’11, aka the rapper F. Virtue, has just released a new music video where he talks about his experiences as a closeted MC in a straight rap culture. Check it out »

**International**

**Vancouver, BC, Canada**

Rafael "RJ" Santos ’07 was nominated for a Leo Award In Visual Effects for the TV Series Alphas, episode "Wake Up Call". The Leo Awards is the awards program for the British Columbia film and television industry.

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**Emersonians in the Media**

Matt McGorry ’08 plays John Bennett on Netflix's Orange is the New Black and was recently featured on Entertainment Weekly online. Read more »

Elaine McMillion, MFA ’13 was named one of the 25 New Faces of Independent Film by Filmmaker Magazine. Read more »

Emerson College made Flavorwire's list of the top 25 literary colleges in the country! Read more »

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**Shameless Plugs**

Want to sing the Alma Mater to the incoming freshman class on the stage of the Cutler Majestic? We're looking for volunteers to sing during Orientation on August 28. Contact Rachel.Pearson@emerson.edu for more info and to sign up!

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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