Faculty Planning Calendar Spring Term 2009

Faculty Planning Calendar for March 23 – April 5, 2009

FROM THE PROVOST AND DEAN'S OFFICE

Plan drafts due to Advisors Monday, March 23

Plans due to Dean's Office Thursday, April 2

Faculty Meeting

Thursday, April 2 - 12:45-2:00pm, VAPA D208

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CAMPUS EVENTS

Piano Recital - Judith Gordon

Join the Boston Globe's "Musician of the Year" as she plays new and old works. Tuesday, March 24 – 8:00pm, Carriage Barn

Candace deVries Olesen Lecture: Kathleen Norris '69

Award-winning poet and writer Kathleen Norris '69 is the author of The New York Times bestsellers *The Cloister Walk, Dakota: A Spiritual Geography, Amazing Grace: A Vocabulary of Faith*, and *The Virgin of Bennington*.

Thursday, March 26 - 7:30pm, Carriage Barn

Social Science Colloquium: Carol Pal

Work in Progress. Carol Pal: Lady Intelligencer: Networks, Knowledge, and the Incomparable Lady Ranelagh.

Monday, March 30 - 7:00pm, Barn 100

Visual arts Lecture Series: Nicole Cherubini

New York—based artist Nicole Cherubini creates assemblage-inspired clay sculpture. She received her BFA in 1993 from the Rhode Island School of Design, her MFA in 1998 from New York University, and studied at the Skowhegan School of Painting and Sculpture in 2002.

Tuesday March 31 - 7:30pm, Tishman

Javanese Gamelan

The gamelan orchestra of Central Java, wrought of dozens of gongs, metallophones, and drums, plays the serenely beautiful court tradition of "karawitan." Watch the students of the Musics of Asia course play on original Javanese gamelan instruments, led by master musician Pak I.M. Harjito.

Saturday, April 4 – 8:00pm, Carriage Barn

FACULTY NEWS

Yoko Inoue: Global Fabrics Common Threads

March 6 - April 9, ISE Cultural Foundation, 555 Broadway, New York

Betsy Sherman: *Why Darwin Matters*Lecture in honor of Darwin's 200th birthday.

Friday, March 27 - 7:00pm, Northshire Bookstore, Manchester, VT

Laura Parnes: Book launch and solo exhibition

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March 4-29, Participant Inc, 253 East Houston Street, New York

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March 28 - May 3, 2009

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Dan Hofstadter: The Earth Moves: Galileo and the Roman Inquisition

Dan Hofstadter, visiting faculty in art history for 2009-10, announces the publication of his book on Galileo.

http://www.wwnorton.com/catalog/spring09/006650.htm

Ann Pibal: Joan Mitchell Foundation Grant for 2008

Ann Pibal is one of 25 contemporary artists to receive the \$25,000 award, which is granted annually to acknowledge painters and sculptors nationwide creating work of exceptional quality.

Faculty Planning Calendar for March 30 – April 12, 2009

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CAPA Design Presentation

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Long Weekend – No Classes Wednesday, April 15-17

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Faculty Planning Calendar for April 20- May 3, 2009

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Mid-term Concern Forms Due Monday, April 20

Plan Day - no classes 8:30am-4:00pm

Wednesday, April 29

Save the Date: Steven Bach Memorial Sunday May 17 - 2:00pm, Student Center

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CAMPUS EVENTS

Ted Riederer Performance

The last installment in Dan Cameron's installation series, A Work in Progress: How an Exhibition is Made.

Sunday, April 19 - 5:00pm, Usdan Gallery

Approaches to Interactive Live Electronic Music Performance

Dr. Robert Gluck (SUNY - Albany) will present a lecture / demonstration / performance on interactive music performance using Max / MSP and piano.

Monday, April 20 - 10am - 12noon, Carriage Barn

Open Classroom Series: Miroslava Prazak and Dr. Ted Levin

Miroslava Prazak's *Anthropology of Art* class with Dr. Ted Levin, Department of Music, Dartmouth College, the author of *The Hundred Thousand Fools of God* will speak on the music of Uzbekistan. Open Class.

Monday, April 20 – 2:10am-4:00pm, Carriage Barn

Electronic Music: Student Works Installation

An installation of recent student works from the Bennington College Electronic Music Studios. Composers will include: Shane Chase, Johanna Gregson, Cailin Neal, Christopher Richardson, Rachel Sherk and Monty Wilson.

Monday, April 20 through Friday, April 24 - 24 hours-a-day, Barn East Gallery

A Work in Progress: How an Exhibition is Made

Opening celebration of an exhibition by three contemporary artists-Tony Feher, Jason Middlebrook and Ted Riederer. Using the gallery as a teaching tool, Dan Cameron and students will work with the artists to develop an on-site project that reflects their interests in using temporal frameworks. Show runs through Saturday May 2. Usdan Gallery hours are Tuesday through Saturday from 1:00 pm to 5:00 pm.

Monday, April 20 – 6:30pm, Usdan Gallery

Adams Tillim Lecture: Jim Hodges

New York—based artist Jim Hodges holds a BA from Fort Wright College in Spokane, Washington, and an MFA from the Pratt Institute in New York City. Although trained as a painter, Hodges is recognized for his adeptness at working in a range of unconventional "sculptural" formats and for exploring big themes using unassuming, commonplace materials.

Tuesday, April 21 – 7:30pm, Tishman

Crossing the Boulevard: Strangers, Neighbors, Aliens in a New Country

Judith Sloan presents a cross-media project that documents and portrays the lives, images, sounds, and stories of new immigrants and refugees living in Queens, New York, the most ethnically diverse locality in the United States.

Friday, April 24 – 8:00pm, Student Center

Science Workshop: Dr. Linda Luck

Dr. Linda Luck, chemistry professor, SUNY Plattsburgh, will present a talk entitled: Biosensors: Using Genetically Engineered Proteins to Detect Small Molecules in the Environment Friday, April 24 – 1:00pm, Dickinson 225

Senior Music Concert: Will Lulofs vs. Will Stratton

A performance of ten songs from the second Will Stratton album, *No Wonder*, newly arranged for string quartet and french horn, with the help of friends on other instruments, and a premier of two artsongs for piano and voice.

Saturday, April 25 – 8:00pm, Martha Hill Dance Theater

Lecture/Demonstration: Kita Mitrapaap '76

Bennington Alum, Kita Mitrapaap '76, will talk about her pioneering work organizing musicians in Myanmar at the Gitameit Music Center in Rangoon, and offer a demonstration of the Burmese piano.

Sunday, April 26 – 8:00pm, Carriage Barn

Social Science Colloquium: Miroslava Prazak

Work in Progress. Miroslava Prazak: "Studying the Victim/Survivor: The Contemporary Face of AIDAS in Rural Kenya."

Monday, April 27 - 7:00pm, Barn 100

MFA/Senior Dance Concert

Featuring work by Gwen Welliver, Asher Woodworth, Juliet Tondowski and Hannah Torkelson.

Friday, May 1 and Saturday, May 2 – 8:00pm, Martha Hill Dance Theater

OFF-CAMPUS EVENTS

Four College Issues Forum: Anita Hill

The 2009 Four College Issues Forum sponsored by Williams College, Massachusetts College of Liberal Arts, Southern Vermont College and Bennington College. Anita Hill, professor of social policy, law and women's studies at Brandeis University, will speak. This event is free and open to the public, but seating is limited and tickets are required. Stop by the Office of Communications (Barn 112) or email bwelton@bennington.edu to reserve tickets.

Thursday, April 23 – 7:30, Bennington Center for the Arts

Faculty Planning Calendar for April 27- May 10, 2009

FROM THE PROVOST AND DEAN'S OFFICE

Plan Day – no classes 8:30am-4:00pm Wednesday, April 29

Plan Day – no classes 8:30am-4:00pm Tuesday, May 5

Registration begins for Fall 2009 classes

Please post hours on your office door when you will be available to register students in #4000-level classes.

Wednesday, May 6

(Students have one week to secure instructors' signatures for #4000-level classes, submit choices for #2000-level classes, and secure their advisor's signature. Registration forms are due in the Dean's Office Wednesday, May 13 – 5pm.)

First term and senior essay drafts due to advisors Thursday, May 7

Note: The Faculty Meeting originally scheduled for May 7th has been moved to May 14th.

Save the Date: Steven Bach Memorial Sunday May 17 - 200pm, Student Center

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CAMPUS EVENTS

Science Workshop: Avrom Caplan

Avrom Caplan, Ph.D. from the City College of New York will give a general seminar on *Protein Quality Control and Cellular Homeostasis*.

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Social Science Colloquium: David Anderegg

Work in Progress. David Anderegg: *The Persistence of Slavery: How Historical Trauma Becomes Psychopathology.*

Monday, May 4 - 7:00pm, Barn 100

Visual Arts Lecture Series: Lia Gangitano

Former associate curator at the Institute of Contemporary Art in Boston and curator of Thread Waxing Space in New York, Lia Gangitano founded PARTICIPANT INC, a not-for-profit art space in New York City, in 2001. She is editor of the forthcoming anthology, *The Alternative to What? Thread Waxing Space and the '90s.*

Tuesday, May 5 - 7:30pm, Tishman

Drama Production: God of Vengeance

God of Vengeance is Donald Margulies's striking adaptation of Sholom Asch's Yiddish classic. Yankel Tshaptshovitsch, aka Jack Chapman, runs a brothel and wants to secure his daughter's honor by atoning for his sins and marrying her off to a scholar. But his dream hits hard against reality when his daughter and his stable of girls have dreams of their own. Directed by Jean Randich. Set design Sue Rees. Lighting design Colin Webster Marsh. Costumes Jessica Miglus and Emily Krug. Sound design Kyle Schroeder.

For reservations call the Box Office at 802.440.4572

Friday, May 8, Saturday, May 9, and Sunday, May 10 - 8:00pm, Lester Martin Theater

Traditional and Original Music and Dance, featuring John Kirk

John Kirk, Trish Miller and Ed Lowman - Stringband playing Americana, Canadian and Celtic Styles! Sunday, May 10 – 8:00pm, Student Center

OFF-CAMPUS EVENTS

Bennington Past and Present at the Bennington Museum

The Bennington College archival film footage that was put together in fall 2007 by Eileen Scully's *Bennington Past and Present* class and premiered at the College's 75th Anniversary Celebration will be shown at the Bennington Museum for a public viewing on Thursday, May 7th at 7:30pm. Oceana Wilson, who advised the students on the film project. will be introducing the film and several students from the

class will be there to help answer questions about their research. There will be some light refreshments and a suggested donation of \$5 at the event. Please come and help us celebrate our shared history with the town of Bennington! If you have any questions, please email Natalia Silvio at nsilvio@bennington.edu in Student Life or call at x4641.

Thursday, May 7 – 7:30pm, Bennington Museum

FACULTY NEWS

Chris Miller's A Cardboard Universe published by Harper Perennial.

http://www.amazon.com/Cardboard-Universe-Guide-World-Phoebus/dp/0061686360/ref=pd_ecc_rvi_cart _ 1

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CAMPUS EVENTS

Kirk Nurock Solo Piano Show

Composer/Pianist Kirk Nurock will play original works and jazz classics deconstructed on the piano. **Monday, May 11 – 7:30pm, Carriage Barn**

Tuesday Night Supper Club: Geoff Pigman: *US Trade Policy and the Rise of the big Emerging Economies*

Tuesday, May 12 – 5:30, College Dining Halls

Visual Arts Lecture Series: Shelly Silver

Shelly Silver is a New York–based artist utilizing video, film, and photography. Her work explores the personal and societal relations that connect and restrict us; the stories that are told about us and the stories we construct about ourselves. She has been exhibited widely throughout the United States, Europe, and Asia and currently teaches at the Cooper Union School of Art.

Tuesday, May 12 – 7:30pm, Tishman

Visual Arts Senior Show

This exhibition continues through June 5th. The Gallery is open Tuesday through Saturday from 1:00 pm to 5:00 pm..

Wednesday, May 13 – 7:15pm, Usdan Gallery

Sean Ring and Mary Gregg's Senior Concert

A program of violin and fiddle works played by Sean Ring and original compositions by Mary Gregg, performed with help from members of the Bennington College community.

Thursday, May 14 - 7:00pm, Carriage Barn

Open Rehearsal: Joe Poulson and Terry Creach

Joe Poulson's Performance Project class previews his 11-member new work. Terry Creach shows his trio work-in-progress with dancers Joe Poulson, Darrin Wright, and Pamela Vail.

Thursday, May 14 - 6:30pm, Martha Hill Dance Theater - Joe Poulson Project

Thursday, May 14 - 7:00pm, VAPA E303 - Terry Creach Project

Martha Hill Dance Concert: Scandal and Privilege

Following tradition, the Martha Hill Dance Concert showcases new works by current students.

Friday and Saturday, May 15 and 16 - 8:00pm, Martha Hill Dance Theater

Movements and Postures

A new musical by John Eagle, directed by Jarin Schexnider.

Friday and Saturday, May 15 and 16 - 8:00pm, and Sunday May 17 - 7:00pm, Carriage Barn

Steven Bach Memorial

Sunday, May 17 - 2:00pm, Student Center

Open Classroom Series: David Anderegg/Dr. Jane Tillman

David Anderegg's Theories of Psychotherapy and Developmental Psychology Class with Dr. Jane Tillman, Staff psychologist, The Austern Riggs Center, Stockbridge, MA. *Wombs, Tombs and Va-va-vooms: Psychoanalytic Gender Theory Past and Present.* Open Class.

Monday, May 18 - 10:10am, Barn 100

Open Classroom Series: Geoffrey Pigman/Maj. J. Timothy Griffin

Geoffrey Pigman's Toward Collective Security Class with Maj. J. Timothy Griffin, U.S. Army Reserves and founder and principal of the Griffin Law Firm, PLLC, Little Rock, Arkansas: *US Foreign Policy Challenges in the 21st Century Global Security Environment*. Open Class.

Wednesday, May 20 - 2:10pm, Dickinson 209

Songwriting Concert

Kirk Nurock's Songwriting Class will perform original compositions from the term. **Wednesday, May 20 – 7:00pm, DownCaf**

Looking Back at Dance: Bennington College Dance Program and Jacob's Pillow Dance Festival

Drawing upon more than 75 years of moving images from the Jacob's Pillow Dance Festival archives, Washington-based writer Suzanne Carbonneau and Jacob's Pillow archivist Norton Owen look back at dance films from the 1930s to the present day, exploring some of the common threads between the Bennington College Dance Program and the Jacob's Pillow Dance Festival.

Thursday, May 21 – 7:00pm, Martha Hill Dance Theater

Bennington Brass Bash

Students of Tom Bergeron's Brass Instruments class will present a concert of music for brass ranging from the early Renaissance to brand new premieres by Bennington College student composers. Players include: John Eagle, Connor Dolson, Allie Polubiec, Emily Climer, Amitai Gross, and Patrick Hajczewski Thursday, May 21 – 9:00pm, Carriage Barn

Jen Bennett's Senior Fashion Show

A recreation of a traditional Japanese festival, complete with performance art, music, snacks, and many surprises. The fashion show, inspired by Japanese kabuki theatre and Tokyo street fashion, will be repeated again at 8:15 PM.

Sunday, May 24 - 7:00pm and 8:15pm. Newman Court/VAPA

FACULTY NEWS

Liz Deschenes: Tilt/Swing

May 3 though June 14, Miguel Abreu Gallery, 36 Orchard Street, NYC

Jason Zimba's *Force and Motion: An Illustrated Guide to Newton's Laws* published by Johns Hopkins University Press

http://www.amazon.com/Force-Motion-Illustrated-Guide-Newtons/dp/0801891604

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FROM THE HUMAN RESOURCES OFFICE

Annual Benefits Enrollment

This is the time of the year when eligible faculty and administrative staff can review the benefit programs offered by the College and make benefit elections for the upcoming academic year. Faculty and staff wishing to make changes to any benefit elections must do so during the annual enrollment period. The College's annual enrollment period runs **from May 11 through June 5, 2009**, and benefit changes/elections made during this period will become effective July 1, 2009. This year the College is hosting a benefits fair and informational workshops to assist faculty and staff with the enrollment process. Please refer to the attached flier for information on key dates/times. We encourage you to attend the benefits fair and one of the informational workshops. As you may be aware, benefit enrollment packages were mailed to eligible faculty and administrative staff on May 11. If you do not receive your enrollment package by Friday, May 15, please contact Jeannine Evans, Payroll/Benefits Specialist.

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Senior Music Recital – Deva Jasheway and Stefan Anderson

Deva Jasheway will give a vocal recital with Yoshiko Sato, piano accompanist. Stefan Anderson will present piano works by composers Grieg and Brahms, and an original piece. He will also perform a

classical guitar piece by Agustin Barrios-Mangore and an original piece for classical guitar, and will sing three of his pop songs with Anastasia Clarke, who will accompany him on guitar.

Tuesday, May 19, 8:30pm, Carriage Barn

Open Classroom Series: Geoffrey Pigman/Maj. J. Timothy Griffin

Geoffrey Pigman's Toward Collective Security Class with Maj. J. Timothy Griffin, U.S. Army Reserves and founder and principal of the Griffin Law Firm, PLLC, Little Rock, Arkansas: *US Foreign Policy Challenges in the 21st Century Global Security Environment*. Open Class.

Wednesday, May 20 - 2:10pm, Dickinson 209

Senior Concert: Trevor Wilson/Music and Emma Morehouse/Dance

The concert will begin in the Deane Carriage Barn and progress to the "Secret Garden" located across the road from the back side of the Deane Carriage Barn.

Wednesday, May 20 - 8:00pm, Carriage Barn

Looking Back at Dance: Bennington College Dance Program and Jacob's Pillow Dance Festival

Drawing upon more than 75 years of moving images from the Jacob's Pillow Dance Festival archives, Washington-based writer Suzanne Carbonneau and Jacob's Pillow archivist Norton Owen look back at dance films from the 1930s to the present day, exploring some of the common threads between the Bennington College Dance Program and the Jacob's Pillow Dance Festival.

Thursday, May 21 – 7:00pm, Martha Hill Dance Theater

Bennington Brass Bash

Students of Tom Bergeron's Brass Instruments class will present a concert of music for brass ranging from the early Renaissance to brand new premieres by Bennington College student composers. Players include: John Eagle, Connor Dolson, Allie Polubiec, Emily Climer, Amitai Gross, and Patrick Hajczewski Thursday, May 21 – 9:00pm, Carriage Barn

Senior Music Concert: Elizabeth Sculley and Samantha Damon

Elizabeth Sculley's show will consist of a piano repertoire followed by own compositions, written for cello, violin, trombone, and clarinet. Samatha Damon will present a vocal recital showcasing her voice in various styles, jazz standards and country pieces. She will be joined during the first half of her performance with readings by senior literature students Matt Rickart and Trent Pollard.

Friday, May 22 – 8:00pm, Carriage Barn

Dylan Shad Senior Concert

Dylan Shad will present a concert of basic pop/rock music pieces, almost all original music. Performers are: Dylan Shad, vocals and electric bass; Marialena Difabbio, vocals; Anthony Pinto, drums; Ethan Woods, guitars; Dan Miller, electric bass and guitar.

Saturday, May 23 - 9:30pm, Student Center

Jen Bennett's Senior Fashion Show

A recreation of a traditional Japanese festival, complete with performance art, music, snacks, and many surprises. The fashion show, inspired by Japanese kabuki theatre and Tokyo street fashion, will be repeated again at 8:15 PM.

Sunday, May 24 - 7:00pm and 8:15pm. Newman Court/VAPA

New Music for Piano(s)

New Music for solo piano and two pianos by: Stefan Anderson, Jackson Emmer, Will Lulofs, Dan Miller, Kim Nucci, Emma Piazza, and Kanako Seki. Performed by George Lopez, Yoshiko Sato, Kanako Seki, Allen Shawn and Polly van der Linde.

Tuesday, May 26 - 8:10pm, Carriage Barn

Vocal Chamber Ensemble Concert

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Wednesday, May 27 - 8:00pm, Greenwall

Senior Theses and Projects Reception

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Thursday, May 28 - 5:00pm, Crossett Library Garden

Jemmer and the Comrades: With Meredith Belis/Dance and Jonathan Grusauskas/Music

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Piano Concert by John Van Buskirk

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Sunday, May 31, 8:00pm

OFF CAMPUS EVENTS

Park-McCullough: May Music Fest

An all-day schedule of music events featuring Bennington College Music Faculty past and present and the Bennington College Vocal Chamber Ensemble.

Tickets: \$25 in advance, \$35 at the gate, \$10 students. 802 442-5441

Sunday, May 24 - 11am to 8:00pm, Park-McCullough House, North Bennington

FACULTY NEWS

Liz Deschenes: Tilt/Swing

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Friday, May 29 and Saturday, May 30, 6:00pm, Flynn Center, Burlington, VT

Faculty Planning Calendar for

May 25 to end-of-term

(Note: Student end-of-term showings, readings, and performances are included on the Faculty Planning Calendar)

FROM THE PROVOST AND DEAN'S OFFICE

Memorial Day - NO CLASSES - Administrative Offices Closed Monday, May 25

Final Evaluations on June graduates due Tuesday, June 2

Faculty Meeting Wednesday, June 3 – 4:15pm, VAPA D-208

Final Evaluations on all students due Monday, June 15

NOTE: New van shuttle service available in Bennington

http://www.champlainadventures.com/10.html or call: (802) 379-6257. Pick up and delivery at the Paradise Inn on Main Street in Bennington to the Albany airport and Rensselaer train station - for \$35. Pick up and delivery from Bennington College campus \$45.

CAMPUS EVENTS

Visual Arts Senior Show

The Gallery is open Tuesday through Saturday from 1:00 pm to 5:00 pm...

Monday, May 25 through Friday, June 5, Usdan Gallery

An Exquisite Corpse

Students from Gwen Welliver's Movement, Line and Drawing show drawing projects in the form of a live "movement/drawing" event.

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Readings from plain china

A sampling of works from plain china, the online literary magazine.

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Social Science Senior Thesis Presentations

Graduating Social Science students will present portions of their senior theses. A champagne toast and refreshments will follow in Barn 124.

Monday, June 1 - 7:00pm, Barn 100

LastChanceDance Concert

Informal presentation of student dance works.

Monday, June 1 – 9:00pm, VAPA Dance Studio E303

Directing I Presents

BEHOLD! Directing I Presents a Selection from Jeffrey M. Jones' "70 Scenes of Halloween."

Tuesday, June 2 - 8:00pm, VAPA D-207

President Coleman hosts a Faculty Reception

Wednesday, June 3 - 5:30pm, Brick House

Senior Dinner

All faculty are invited to attend.

Wednesday, June 3 - 7:00pm, Petrie Terrace

Center for the Advancement of Public Action Groundbreaking

Please join the Board of Trustees for the groundbreaking ceremony for The Center for the Advancement of Public Action. The event will take place at the proposed building site just north of VAPA, adjacent to the Jennings Meadow.

Friday, June 5 – 12noon, CAPA site

GRADUATION EVENTS

Friday, June 5

Senior Dance Performance and Reception - 2:00pm, Martha Hill

Senior Music Performance – 3:30pm – Greenwall

MAT Graduate Celebration - 3:30pm, Jennings 136

Welcome Reception for Graduates, Families, Community - 5:00pm, Student Center

Commencement Dinner - 6:00pm, Commons Lawn

Commencement Addresses - 7:00pm

Elizabeth Coleman, President
Dorothy Allen '09, Senior Class Speaker
Hendrick Hertzberg, Commencement Speaker

Saturday, June 6

Coffee Hour with Provost Elissa Tenny – 8:30am, Commons Lounge

Conferring of Degrees – 10am SHARP, Pioneers' Quadrangle Robert Ransick and Kitty Brazelton, Faculty Speakers

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