# **Bennington Bulletin**

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# **Gratitude for Our Community**

As we continue to adapt to our ever-changing circumstances, which today includes the start of remote instruction, we extend our thanks to each and every faculty and staff member for your flexibility, patience, creativity, and courage during this time.

Thank you to staff in the Bookstore, Buildings & Grounds, Business Office, Campus Safety, Dining Services, Health and Psychological Services, Human Resources, Post Office, and the President's Office—by keeping students on campus safe, healthy, fed, and connected, you are truly anchoring the Bennington College community.

Thank you to staff and faculty who have shifted to remote work. Though we never expected to have to adapt our workflow and course load into this format, you are meeting these new challenges with grace and good humor—carrying forward the spirit of Bennington College from wherever you currently reside.

To all, we wish you good health and resilience during this time, and we look forward to reuniting on campus once this crisis has passed.

# Fueling the Documentary Revolution

During Field Work Term, Kayly Hernandez Panameno '22 and James Walkergoutal '20 <u>worked at</u> XTR, a documentary studio that sent 4 films to Sundance this year, founded by Bryn Mooser '01.

# **Strengthening Ties**

*Education Dive* <u>interviewed</u> Zeke Bernstein as part of its reporting on Vermont's liberal arts colleges.

# **Coordinating Care**

Flare, an emergency response app founded by Maria Rabinovich '07, <u>is the winner</u> of the 2019 Not Impossible Commitment Award.

# Public Shame to the Rescue

In its "5 Best Ideas of the Day" newsletter, The Aspen Institute highlighted <u>an essay</u> by Jeva Lange '15 published in *The Week*.

#### Staff Welcome—Business Office

Please join us in welcoming Gary Huff to Bennington College as Interim Controller within the Business Office. Gary will be supporting the business team with his 25+ years of experience with finance and administration operations.

#### **Campus Zoom Backgrounds**

Having Zoom meetings while you're social distancing? Katie Braymer-Hayes in Alumni Relations has compiled some <u>Bennington campus photos</u> you can use as virtual backgrounds on Zoom. <u>See instructions</u> for changing your background on Zoom.

#### **Ambient Noise**

Need some inspiration or focus while working from home? Try <u>mynoise.net</u>, which offers a customizable and diverse range of background sounds to create an environment that meets your aural needs. (Thank you, Aimee Annichiarico, for the recommendation!)

#### **Virtual Film Festival**

Advocate and learn during this time of social distancing with the Beyond Plastics <u>Plastic</u> <u>Pollution Virtual Film Series</u>, featuring five films focusing on various aspects of plastic pollution and ways we can help solve it.

#### **Beyond Plastics Poster Contest**

Looking for a project for your students studying at home? In recognition of Earth Day, Beyond Plastics invites kids aged 5-18 to <u>participate in a poster contest</u> to celebrate the planet, raise awareness of our plastic pollution crisis, and promote ideas to stem the tide of plastic pollution.

# Sustainability and Energy Efficiency

Bennington College <u>has partnered with Efficiency Vermont</u> for their Continuous Energy Improvement program to reduce energy on campus by 10-15% in the next three years. As you work remotely or are leaving spaces on campus, please turn off lights, turn down thermostats, and turn off any equipment that will not be in use. If you have any questions, or have any suggestions to reduce energy use on campus, please contact <u>Holly Andersen</u> at x4369.

# **Send Us Your Writers**

The <u>Undergraduate Writing Fellowship</u> offers select undergraduate writers the chance to attend a 10-day residency at the MFA in Writing program. Applications are due **April 1**.

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**Event Series** Check out the series happening this term. March 30 CAPA Symposium 7:00-0:00 PM

# **CANCELED—Ideal Mother or Ideal Worker**

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March 31 Tishman Lecture Hall 7:00–8:30 PM

April 1 Remote 12:00-1:00 PM

# CANCELED—Albert Chong

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#### Vinyasa Flow Yoga (via Zoom)

STAFF AND FACULTY | All staff and faculty are invited to remotely attend a flow yoga class via Zoom with Tracey Forest. See Calendar Event for information. <u>More</u>.

April 3 Meyer Rec Barn 12:30-1:15 PM

# CANCELED—BollyX—The Bollywood Workout

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