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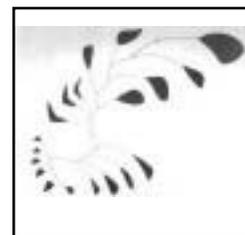
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## Phillips Gallery Tour: Calder and Miro Exhibit

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Thursday, December 9 at 6:30 p.m.  
1600 21st St. NW  
Dinner, 8:00 p.m.  
Mimi's American Bistro, 2120 P St.



On December 9, members and their guests will have an opportunity to explore over one hundred examples of the five-decade long visual dialogue between two of the greatest artistic inventors of the twentieth century—American sculptor Alexander Calder and Catalan painter Joan Miro. The exhibit traces the emergence of a new vocabulary of abstraction in the work of these two giants of modern art. At 6:30, docents will lead our group on a private tour of the exhibit. You can also enjoy viewing the movie "Works of Calder" produced and narrated by Burgess Meredith and the video showing a production of Calder's famous circus.

**Tour tickets:** Tickets for this tour are limited to the first 50 people from whom we receive checks. The price of a ticket is \$16 for members and \$20 for nonmembers. Checks should be made out to the Cornell Club of Washington and mailed to: Marjorie Loory, 2724 34<sup>th</sup> St. NW, Washington, DC 20008.

The deadline for the receipt of checks is Friday, December 3. Please include your phone number or email address so we can inform those who have missed the cut. Tickets will be available for pickup from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. on the night of the tour from the Cornell table located in the Goh annex of the Phillips Gallery.

**Directions:** The museum is located at 1600 21<sup>st</sup> NW (at Q St.) and can be reached from Metro's Red Line at the Du Pont Circle station. . Use the Q street exit. Discount parking is available after 5:00 p.m. at the Hilton Washington Embassy Row Hotel at 20155 Massachusetts Ave. Be sure to present your museum ticket stub on exiting to qualify for the discount. Street parking is available after 6:30 p.m.

**Dinner:** For those who wish to get together for dinner after the tour, we have reserved places for dinner at 8:00 p.m. at Mimi's American Bistro located at 2600 P Street, two blocks from the museum. You can choose from a limited menu. If you are interested in attending the dinner (not pre-paid), please indicate this when you send in your check. If you have any questions, please contact Marjorie Loory at 202/625-6312 or [mloory@aol.com](mailto:mloory@aol.com)

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## CBAA Event: Alvin Ailey Dance Theater

The Cornell Black Alumni Association (CBAA) cordially invites you to their annual Alvin Ailey American Dance Theater and pre-program reception on Friday, December 10th in New York City. This year's event will benefit Cornell University's Africana Studies and Research Center's (AS&RC) building campaign.

Experience the artistry, spirit and passion of the Alvin Ailey American Dance Theater. Orchestra Row seating is available at \$90.00 and all tickets must be purchased by November 31. We hope that you'll consider giving at the level of Supporter (\$300 - 1 ticket), Patron (\$500 - 2 tickets) or Benefactor (\$1,000 - 4 tickets). All donations above \$60.00 are tax deductible. Tickets will be distributed at a pre-theater cocktail reception, to be held at the law firm of Kaye, Scholer, from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m., located at 131 W. 55th St. or will be held at the box-office for those who are unable to attend the reception.

To register for the event, please register online at <http://orgs.alumni.cornell.edu/associations/cbaa>

For more information about the event and/or the AS&RC building campaign, please contact Ruby Saake at [rsaake@aol.com](mailto:rsaake@aol.com) or 917/207-5104 or Jonelle Bradshaw at 917/656-4253 or [jdb12@cornell.edu](mailto:jdb12@cornell.edu).

## 12th Annual Pan-Asian Dinner for Chinese New Year

The Cornell Asian Alumni Association (CAAA) is proud to announce the 12th Annual Pan-Asian Dinner has been scheduled for Saturday, February 12, at the Peking Park Restaurant (100 Park Avenue) in New York City, from 6:00-10:00 p.m. Dinner proceeds will help support the existing CAAA Tradition Fellowships.

Ted Teng, President & COO of Wyndham International, and a 1979 graduate of the Hotel School, has graciously accepted our invitation to be honoree. We are recognizing Mr. Teng for his outstanding professional achievements, leadership and commitment in diversifying the employee community throughout Wyndham International, and for his continuing and significant support of the goals of the University.

The tradition of scheduling the CAAA dinner during CACO (Class Officers) weekend cannot be followed since CACO's Centennial Dinner has been scheduled for January, but the Chinese New Year falls on February 9, making Feb. 12 a more appropriate date for the CAAA bash.

Watch for registration information in next month's *CCW News*.

## Coming Events...

### December 2004

- Thurs., Dec. 9- Phillips Gallery, 1600 21st St., NW, 6:30-8:30 p.m., dinner at Mimi's American Bistro (optional), 2120 P St., 8:00 p.m. Contact: Marge Loory at [mloory@aol.com](mailto:mloory@aol.com) or 202/625-6312
- Fri., Dec. 10- ISSC, DACOR-Bacon House, 1801 F St. NW, 6:30-8:30 p.m. Contact: Steve Piekarec at [spiekare@cs.com](mailto:spiekare@cs.com) or 703/281-4311.
- Fri., Dec. 10- CBAA Alvin Ailey concert and pre-event reception, New York City. Contact Ruby Saake at [rsaake@aol.com](mailto:rsaake@aol.com) or 917/207-5104.
- Sat., Dec. 11- MDDG, *Carousel*, Olney Theatre, 2 p.m. Contact Robin Larkin, 301/877-9314 or [rlarkin@footlightsdc.com](mailto:rlarkin@footlightsdc.com)
- Mon., Dec. 13- MDDG, Shaw's *Saint Joan* discussion, Alfio's, 4515 Willard Ave., Chevy Chase, MD, 6:30 p.m. Contact: Charlotte Baer to reserve at [charlotte4103@yahoo.com](mailto:charlotte4103@yahoo.com).
- Tues., Dec. 14: CCW Board Meeting, 2148 O St. NW, 7:30 p.m., Programming Meeting at 6:30 p.m. Contact: [dalsop@verizon.net](mailto:dalsop@verizon.net)

### January 2005

- Tues., Jan. 11-CCW Board Meeting, 2148 O St. NW, 7:30 p.m., Programming Meeting at 6:30 p.m. Contact: [dalsop@verizon.net](mailto:dalsop@verizon.net)

### February 2005

- Sat., Feb. 5- Ivy Tennis, Arlington Y Tennis & Squash Club, 3400 N. 13th St., Arlington, VA, 7:40 p.m.-12 midnight. Contact: David Federbush at 301/657-4691 (w) or 301/657-4680.
- Tues., Feb. 8- CCW Board Meeting, 2148 O St. NW, 7:30 p.m., Programming Meeting at 6:30 p.m. Contact: [dalsop@verizon.net](mailto:dalsop@verizon.net)

# Quick Club Announcements...

*Roving Reporter: Helen Shimbo*

## Community Service: Tutoring at Jefferson Junior High

**Saturday mornings, 10:00-11:30 a.m., 801 7th St. SW**

Join in the Saturday Academy tutoring program with the 7th, 8th, and 9th graders at Jefferson. Tutors are needed in all subjects, from Algebra and Reading to Spanish and Physics. Typical activities include helping students with homework assignments, test preparation or research. Volunteers need not commit to every weekend.

Jefferson is located at the intersection of 7th Street SW and Maine Avenue. There's plenty of free parking, and the school is four blocks south of the L'Enfant Plaza Metro. For more information, contact Dan Lavanga '89 at [dla-vanga@hotmail.com](mailto:dla-vanga@hotmail.com) or 703/548-8349.

## Cornell Job Bank

Those with jobs to post and those wishing to apply should contact the new coordinator Steven Oppenheimer using procedures listed at

<http://ccw.alumni.cornell.edu/career/career.html>

Job Offerers: Replies can either be sent directly to you, if you wish your contact information to be public (for CCW job seekers only, of course); or your reply information can be anonymous, and replies can be routed through the coordinator Steve Oppenheimer, as you prefer.

## CCW Meetings

**Tuesday, December 14:** Members are invited to attend the monthly Board Meeting at 7:30 p.m., preceded by the Programming Meeting at 6:30 p.m. at the Club headquarters, 2148 O St. NW, Washington, D.C. Pizza for all attending. A good way to get involved! Metro: Dupont Circle, Red Line. Contact: Danielle Alsop at [dalsop@verizon.net](mailto:dalsop@verizon.net)

## CAAAN Bus Trips to Cornell

Each fall regional high school students visit Cornell to identify a college choice for the next four years. The Cornell



Alumni Admissions Ambassador Network (CAAAN) sponsors two bus trips each year during which students learn about Cornell and stay in the dorms. Students come from three states and they represent over 25 regional public and private high schools.

Cornell attracts multicultural groups: the first of this year's trips (from Sunday, October 31 through Monday, November 1) had people from Sierra Leone, Nigeria, Korea, Poland, Hong Kong, Peru, Honduras, India, and Mexico. Ninety-five percent of the respondents indicated that the trip addressed points that could have only been learned from a campus visit, and 90% felt the trip helped them decide on Cornell as a university choice.

For Final trip reports, see <http://ccw.alumni.cornell.edu>

## In Search of

### Volunteer to Edit CCW News

Enjoy the glamor, revel in your great influence! Learn valuable desktop publishing skills and list another accomplishment on your resume!

If you're interested in contributing your skills or gaining new ones, please contact Helen Schwartz, Arts '64, CCW's VP Newsletter at [hjschwartz@earthlink.net](mailto:hjschwartz@earthlink.net) or 301/907-3238.

## Coming in February

### Rise up + Flee your Cubicle: Techie Hour

#### Spring panel theme: Overseas Outsourcing, Backlash?

Featuring topics advancing the Internet world, Techie Hour continues to be the only engineering-science event for alumni on the East coast. The panel series, now up to Release 5.0, is based on a business plan that was sent to 32 global "Cornell" cities. From the Boston/NYC/Philadelphia/Washington region, nearly 700 new alumni have attended; at events, every other chair is filled with a CEO/president/company founder. This crowd represents new faces, as over 97% have not attended alumni events until Techie Hour. We are the first alumni team to collect business cards for data-driven White papers (online); also, we successfully promote corporate sponsorship. Our last event was standing room only, and we're the first Cornell group (globally) to use an online survey from a Cornell-based firm, Elliance.com.

Release 5.0 will discuss the issue of outsourcing and its effect on the economies of countries affected by it. The panelists will be presenting both sides to the issue and will engage the audience in a discussion covering the pros and cons. Our speakers are professionals with Accenture, Overseas Private Investment Corporation (OPIC), and (tentatively) the World Bank.

The event will be held in February in the Washington DC area. The exact date and location will be announced soon. Further details will be featured in the next *CCW News*. For questions, contact the organizers: M. Darwish, J. Ammons, O. Echevarria, B. Wibisono, K. Sunidja, T. Odumosu at [www.techiehour.com](http://www.techiehour.com) or [techie.hour@gmail.com](mailto:techie.hour@gmail.com)

## CCW Lifetime Memberships

### #232 Helen Schwartz '64

For the Cornell alum who has (almost) everything, why not give a lifetime membership to the Cornell Club of Washington this holiday season?

See <http://ccw.alumni.cornell.edu> for membership forms

## CCW Book Awards Recognize Outstanding High School Juniors

During the Spring Semester of 2004, the Cornell Club of Washington presented awards to 18 outstanding juniors at high schools in the greater Washington area. The basis of the award continues, as it was when it was established in 1989: to be awarded to a junior student of high academic achievement who has demonstrated leadership in the area of community service.

Schools are invited to participate by nominating a member of the current junior class who has demonstrated the attributes of the award. The faculty of each school determines the recipient for their school. Several different criteria are used to select which high schools are invited. The award is used where Cornell has a strong presence and wants to foster that relationship. Alternatively, it is used where a drop in interest has occurred and the Club wants to rebuild its identity at the school. The book award has been used at new high schools to help establish a Cornell presence.

The high schools participating in recent years are:

**District of Columbia:** Benjamin Banneker, St. Albans, and Woodrow Wilson Senior

**Maryland:** Bethesda-Chevy Chase, The Holton-Arms, Walter Johnson, Eleanor Roosevelt, Laurel, Winston Churchill, Richard Montgomery, Thomas S. Wooten, and Montgomery Blair

**Virginia:** T. C. Williams, Lake Braddock, Centreville, W. T. Woodson, Langley, McLean, Osbourn Park, and West Springfield.

The book awarded to each student is *The Elements of Style* by William Strunk, Jr., and E. B. White, fourth edition. A certificate is presented, suitable for framing, and a bookplate is given. CAAAN members are encouraged to present the awards at the schools' award celebrations, typically in the spring.

If you wish to recommend additional schools or are interested in participating in presenting the awards, contact Debbie Rutenberg, (Debbie@adsolution.com) or Jill A. Fields, (jaf53@cornell.edu), the Vice Presidents of CAAAN for DC/MD and for VA, respectively, or William Newell, Book Award Chair (wfn2@cornell.edu).

More than 240 books have been awarded in the 15 years the program has been active. William Newell, ALS '68, has served as Chair for the past 14 years.

### Co-ed Volleyball Sign-ups!

Sign-ups for co-ed volleyball are still going on. Match locations and dates are still to be decided, but we do know that matches will be during the weeks from mid-January through the end of March.

This is a recreational league, so whether you've never played or have played your whole life, come out and join us. The cost is only \$10 per player for the entire season! Contact Clint Brass '90 at clint.brass@earthlink.net if you're interested in signing up.

## Ivy Tennis Party Round Robin Mixed Doubles

**The Arlington Y Tennis & Squash Club**  
3400 N. 13th St.  
Arlington, VA

**Sat., Feb. 5, 7:40 p.m. - midnight**

Join D.C.-area Ivy alums of all ages and tennis playing ability for a fun and healthy night out at the Arlington Y Tennis & Squash Club. Those who reserve in advance pay \$25 per player for court rental, snacks and tennis balls. Non-tennis-player guests of participants are welcome for a \$10 entrance fee.

To sign up, send your check for the appropriate amount, payable to the Yale Club of Washington D.C. and with contact information and your Cornell affiliation on the check. For each player, please note his or her gender and level (advanced, high intermediate, low intermediate, beginner). The address is Terry Watson, Recording Secretary, The Yale Club of Washington, D.C., 4323 Cathedral Ave., NW, Washington D.C. 20016. Checks must be received by February 3, 2005 to reserve your spot. If space is available, the admission fee at the door will be \$30.

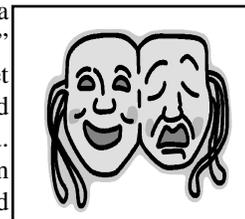
Note: each attendee is responsible for any damage to the facility, injuries, or accidents in connection with this function.

For more information, call David Federbush (Yale) at 301/657-4691 (w), 301/657-4680 (h) or Kuni Matsuda (Harvard) at 301/953-9870 (w) and 703/765-1653 (h). For directions, contact the Arlington Y at 703/522-1700.

### Modern Drama Discussion Group

## Carousel for December

CCW co-sponsors the Modern Drama Discussion Group known as "Footlights." Each month, 35-50 Footlights members meet over dinner with playwrights, directors, and scholars to discuss modern drama. Participants read the plays on their own (available at Backstage Books, Politics and Prose and Olsson's), meet at inexpensive restaurants near Washington-area Metro stations, and usually attend performances. Membership is free, although a \$5 donation is requested.



**Performance: Thurs., Dec. 11, 2:00 p.m., *Carousel* (based on *Liliom*--discussed in November), Olney Theatre, 2001 Route 108, Olney, MD** Tickets cost \$26 each and may be ordered from Robin Larkin, 5403 Nibud Ct., Rockville, MD 20852, checks payable to "Footlights." Call 301/924.3400 for directions.

**Discussion: Mon., Dec. 13, Alfio's, 4515 Willard Ave., Chevy Chase, MD, 6:30 p.m.** Shaw's *Saint Joan* will be discussed by Olney Theatre's Jim Petosa. Reserve with Clarlotte Baer at 202/244-8203 or charlotte4103@yahoo.com

## December Holiday Party

Friday, Dec. 10, 6:30 - 8:30 p.m.  
DACOR-Bacon House  
1801 F Street NW

Light Hors d'oeuvres and Cash Bar Hosted by the Washington DC Stanford Association

Come enjoy the spirit of the season as we help decorate the DACOR-Bacon House for the holidays. One of the most elegant residences in Washington, the DACOR-Bacon House has been home to several Supreme Court Justices as well as a Maryland governor over its glorious history. Now restored, it is the perfect setting for the best Ivy Singles event yet, the Holiday Happy Hour.

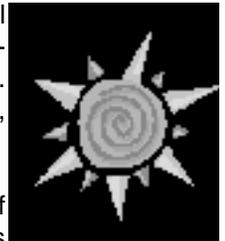
**Prepaid Reservations:** \$25 by check to J. C. Hyde, 2758 Viking Drive, Oak Hill VA 20171, so that it is received by Tuesday, December 7. Make checks payable to "WDCSA" and note your Cornell affiliation on the check.

**Email Reservations and Walk-ins:** \$30 at the door. Email reservations to J. C. Hyde at [jhyde@cox.net](mailto:jhyde@cox.net) by Dec. 9. Pre-reservation is strongly recommended so that we can ensure that all will have treats to enjoy.

**Metro:** Take the Orange Line to Farragut West. Walk 3 blocks south on 17th St NW. Turn right on F St and walk one block west. For questions, contact Steve Piekarec at [spiekare@cs.com](mailto:spiekare@cs.com) or 703/281-4311.

## Cornell Students to Build Solar-Powered House for 2005 Solar Decathlon on the Mall

A group of both graduate and undergraduate students from Cornell are collaborating to research and create a completely solar-powered house for the Solar Decathlon, sponsored by the U.S. Department of Energy and National Renewable Energy Laboratory, on the National Mall in Washington in the fall of 2005.



The Cornell University Solar Decathlon (CUSD) team consists of over 70 students who come from across seven different schools and whose majors range from architecture, to engineering, to business. The house they are designing and building will be entered in the 2005 Solar Decathlon competition.

The Solar Decathlon is an international competition among teams of university and college students to research, design, and construct a completely solar-powered home. In the fall of 2005, each team will assemble its system on the Mall for a week of public tours and evaluated contests.

Cornell will be competing against 18 other schools including the University of Michigan, Virginia Tech, and University of Colorado in the competition held first in 2002. The 2005 Decathlon will mark the first time Cornell has participated in the competition.

The CUSD team recently finished its design stage and is about to begin construction. The cost of successfully competing is estimated to be in the range of \$300,000, including the cost of transportation to Washington, D.C. and back. So far, the team has raised approximately \$120,000 in cash and in-kind donations. The team continues to seek support from individuals and companies for both cash and material contributions.

For more information, please contact the team's Marketing and Fundraising lead, Emile Chin-Dickey ([ec237@cornell.edu](mailto:ec237@cornell.edu)) and visit the team's website (<http://cusd.cornell.edu>). If you want to join the CUSD listserv to get updates on progress, please email Emile at [ec237@cornell.edu](mailto:ec237@cornell.edu).

### A Note from President Danielle Alsop:

A special thanks goes to the Reznick Group for providing excellent accounting and tax services to the Cornell Club of Washington for the past three years.

As the Club expanded, so did the complexity of its finance, making it an insurmountable task for the Treasurer to complete the tax returns accurately. However, with the pro-bono assistance of the Reznick Group, our problems have been solved! As a token of our appreciation we are printing an advertisement describing the Reznick Group's services.

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## **Young Alumni Career Mentoring Roundtable**

**Wed., Dec. 1, 6:00-9:00 p.m.**  
**Chef Geoff's**  
**1301 Pennsylvania Ave.**

Come listen to fellow graduates speak about why they chose the career path they did once they graduated from Cornell, and what they've learned from the process along the way. Please RSVP (by November 23rd if possible), to Anne Law at [alaw99@yahoo.com](mailto:alaw99@yahoo.com). Please don't forget to include your career interest if you're looking for advice and your background if you are looking to share your experiences.

For other inquiries and to express interest in participating as a mentor, please contact Anne Law at [alaw99@yahoo.com](mailto:alaw99@yahoo.com).

Chef Geoff's is at 1301 Pennsylvania Avenue on 13th Street NW, between E and F Streets. Nearest Metro stops are at Metro Center (Red, Orange and Blue lines) and at Federal Triangle (Orange and Blue).direct all

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