

THE OBSERVER

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Dear members,

Fall 2022 registration opened last week. You can submit your registration requests through Wednesday, June 22 using this [registration form](#). Please refer to detailed registration instructions right [here](#) and the fall study group grid [here](#).

A couple of housekeeping notes for the upcoming weeks:

- **Summer 2022 Invoices:** Invoices were sent out via email last week to members taking summer study groups and payment is due by July 12, 2022.
- **Leave of Absence:** If you're considering a leave of absence, you can submit your request via this [form](#). Please note that members can take up to one year's leave of absence (two consecutive terms, not inclusive of summer). Detailed information is available in the [LP2 Handbook](#) posted on [lp2nyc.org](#)
- **GC Summer Calendar:** Our office and the Graduate Center campus will be closed on Fridays starting June, 17 and ending August, 12 and also closed for the holidays falling on Monday, June 20 (Juneteenth observed) and Monday, July 4. * *Note – When the office is closed on a Monday, the Observer will be distributed on Tuesday.*

Wishing you a wonderful summer and looking forward to seeing many of you on campus in the fall!

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Dates for Fall 2022 Study Group Registration:

- **June 22** -- Registration closes
- **Week of July 11** -- Study Group Assignments and Rosters Distributed and Add/Drop Period Opens

GC Campus Tours

We have adjusted the campus tour schedule based on your registration preferences. Please see below for updated dates

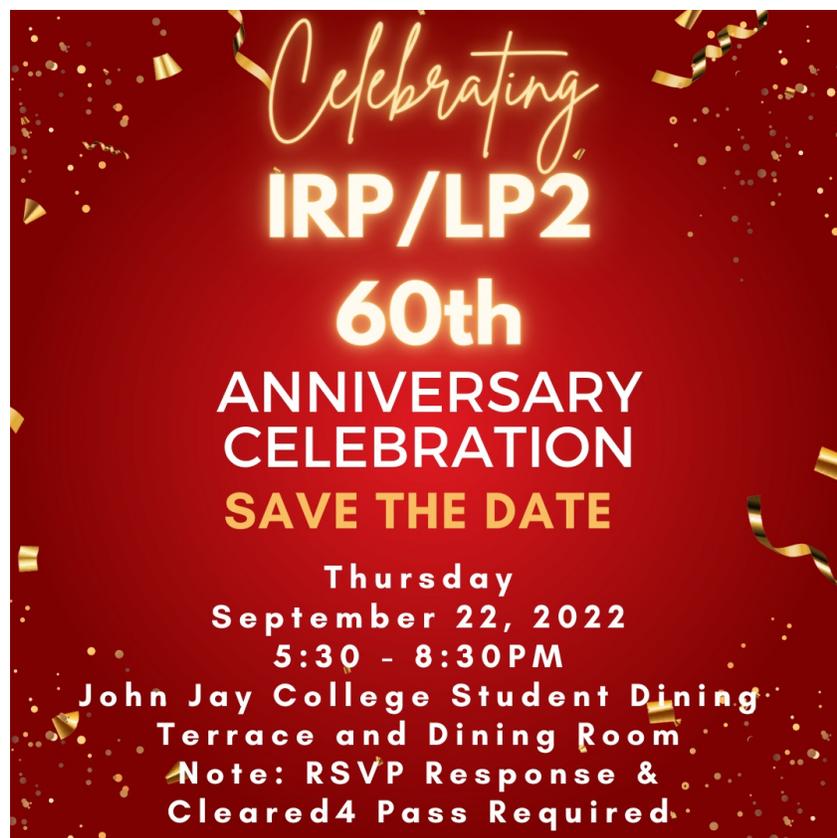
Get ready to attend study groups in person this Fall with a tour of the Graduate Center campus. The tour will include a preview of classrooms and public spaces in the building and a Q&A session addressing the nitty-gritty of campus access: student ID cards, Graduate Center email accounts, COVID policies, and using the library. All tours will be capped at 12 attendees.

Use this [form](#) to register for one of the campus tours below.*

- ~~Wednesday, June 8 — 10:00AM to Noon~~ **Cancelled**
- ~~Thursday, June 23 — 10:00AM to Noon~~ **New Date**
- ~~Wednesday, June 29 — 2:00 to 4:00PM~~
- ~~Tuesday, July 19 — 10AM to Noon~~ **Canceled**
- ~~Tuesday, July 26 — 2:00 to 4:00PM~~

*There will be a dedicated tour for new members entering in the Fall of 2022. Those members should wait to hear directly from us.

WHAT'S NEW?



Covid Update from Barry Levine

Tuesday, June 14 at 3:30PM (Zoom)

You've been vaccinated. (Perhaps) you have been boosted. And, then you read about Covid for those 65+ in the New York Times: Now What? Barry Levine will update the LP² community on the latest news on Covid-19 (with a focus on folks 65+). Barry will also answer questions. If you would like to participate, please email Steve Kalinsky at skalinsky@gc.cuny.edu and Steve will send you a Zoom invite. And, if you have questions that you would like addressed, send them to Steve, too.



PhotoSIG Field Trip

Monday, June 27 @ 12 Noon

Venue: Fotografiska Museum

Address: 281 Park Ave S,

Telephone: (212) 433-3686

Website: <https://www.fotografiska.com/nyc/>

Join us for a guided tour and visit to Fotografiska New York, which is a branch of the Swedish photography museum Fotografiska in Gramercy Park. There will be a 1-hour Private Guided Tour conducted by a knowledgeable Fotografiska staff member. The tour will include 1-2 exhibitions, plus a short introduction about Fotografiska and its landmark building.

The museum's home is the Church Missions House, a six-story, 45,000-square-foot Renaissance Revival landmark. It opened in December 2019.

*"Our mission is to inspire a more conscious and inclusive world through the power of photography, twelve months a year. But **June offers a special moment to celebrate expressions of pride** with a calendar of events that centers our LGBTQ+ community of creatives and underscores inclusivity, self-expression, perseverance, and joy."*

-Fotografiska Website

Transportation:

Subway: 4, 6 to 23 Street

Bus: M1, M2, M3 to Park Avenue South/E 21 Street

Cost: The price will be \$150 for the tour (split among group members - \$10 or less) plus an individual entry fee which for CUNY students is \$8

If you have questions, contact Alec Rill at arill@gc.cuny.edu

A Special Pour at 4 Outdoors for Mentors and Mentees



On June 7, more than 20 LP² mentors and mentees attended a Pour at 4 Outdoors held at Madison Square Park and hosted by Susan Rubens and Sue Goldman.

Based on the picture taken at the event, everyone seemed to be enjoying the gathering. Watch for New Member Biographies, which will appear in The Observer during the first weeks of the Fall semester.

REMINDERS

Update Your Profile! A Workshop on Making Yourself Findable

Wednesday, June 15 @ 3:00-3:30PM (Zoom)

Learn how to update your Profile Photo, Cover Photo, Bio, Interests, Skills, Neighborhood, Contact info and more in the new LP² Member Directory. In this half-hour Zoom Workshop There will be an opportunity to get your questions answered and one-on-one help. [Read more here.](#)

To sign up, email Denise Waxman at dwaxman1@lp2nyc.org

Break Activity

Stories Aloud with Sharon Girard (Zoom)

Mondays @ 3:00 to 4:30PM

July 18, August 1, 15, and 29

Please email Sharon at sgirard@gc.cuny.edu for the Zoom link; also, indicate if you would like to be a reader.

Get Your Student IDs and Cleared4 Passes Now:

Watch Your email for Cleared4 Instructions. To access campus, you must be fully vaccinated and have a Cleared4 pass for validation. In anticipation of many live study groups during the Fall semester, we are sending Cleared4 instructions via email to those who need to register.

To request your Graduate Center student photo ID card:

- Email security@gc.cuny.edu from your Graduate Center email address. Put "ID Card" in the subject line.
- Include your name, your program (LP²) and your mailing address in the

email body.

- Attach a “passport type headshot” JPEG picture taken within the past six months.

Current GC Campus Covid Rules

Call for Break Activities between Semesters

The Community Building Initiative seeks volunteers to lead activities during the break from July 12 - August 31.

To propose your activity, contact Jane Case Einbender at jeinbender@gc.cuny.edu.

Calling All Painters, Sculptors, Photographers, Block Printers, Ceramicists and Textile Artists!

Display the creative work you have been doing this summer in the Online Art Show. Send a photograph of your work with a title and a brief statement about it to Carol Millsom at cmillsom@gc.cuny.edu. Art works appear in The Observer in the order in which they are received.

MISSING LINKS DIRECTORY

[Graduate Center Password Reset](#)

[GC Portal](#)

[LP² Library Contact \(Mason Brown\)](#)

[Free Access – CUNY ARTS](#)

[LP² Member Website](#)

- [Member Directory](#)
- [Faces](#)
- [Library and Online Resource page](#)
- [LP² and GC Help](#)
- [Tech Help](#)

Linkedin Learning (formerly known as Lynda)

- [LinkedIn learning at NYPL](#) and [Get a NYPL Library Card](#)
- [LinkedIn Learning at BPL](#) and [Get a BPL Library Card](#)
- [LinkedIn Learning at QPL](#) and [Get a QPL Library Card](#)

What links would you like to see included? You don't have to know the actual link, just what you'd like to be able to link to without cleaning out your desk to find the paper you wrote it down on.

Send your requests and suggestions to Micky Josephs at mjosephs@gc.cuny.edu or Susan Rauch at srauch@gc.cuny.edu.

ONGOING LP² EVENTS

The Women's Group meets at 3:45PM on Thursdays. Contact Arlyne LeSchack at aleschack@gc.cuny.edu.

The Men's Group meets at 3:45PM on Wednesdays. Contact Jay Fleishman at efleishman@gc.cuny.edu.

Stitch Away Stress meets at 4PM Tuesdays. Members share skills and enjoy the meditative benefits of handwork. Contact Michelle Harris at mharris@gc.cuny.edu.

Schedule for submitting articles for The Observer and Website - New DEADLINE DATE

Members wishing to submit information for publication in The Observer or listing on the Website have a **new deadline: the Wednesday before the Monday publication date**. In addition, we urge you to send us your material as early as possible so that it can be entered onto the LP²calendar, which is managed by the Graduate Center. If you have an event to publicize, please notify Micky Joseph at mjosephs@gc.cuny.edu at **least one month in advance** to ensure that the event receives maximum publicity.

Member Forum Submissions: (starting September 2022) If you have something to share with the LP² community, e.g., a photo, an article, a book or a web site that you've discovered and think would be interesting to members, send it to Micky Josephs at mjosephs@gc.cuny.edu for inclusion in the Member Forum.