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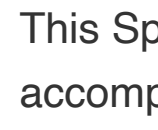
I hope you are as encouraged as I am about the diminishing numbers of COVID-19 cases in New York City and within the University community. The [most recent University guidelines that lift some COVID-19 restrictions](#) provide the sense, that perhaps, as we leave winter behind and look toward warmer weather, we might also have renewed hope in enjoying some additional liberties and a gradual return to normalcy.

In this edition of the Dean's Remarks, I am delighted to share the latest news and announcements from across SPS, including this year's Convocation speakers, the launch of our One Day giving campaign, and our faculty and student accomplishments (which never cease to amaze me)!

Warmly,

Angie

Follow the Dean!

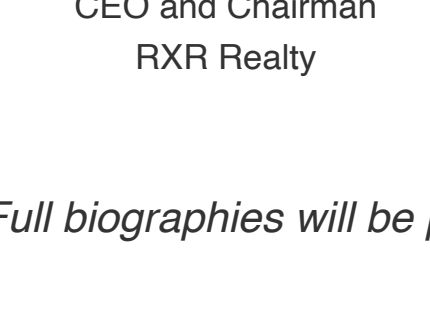


NYU SPS HIGHLIGHTS

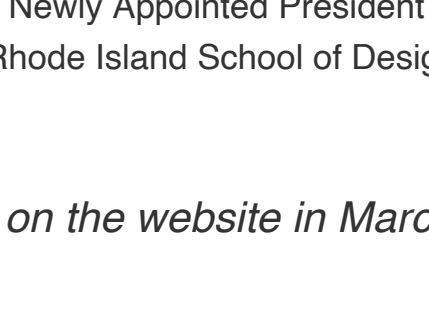
In Case You Missed it...

THIS YEAR'S CONVOCATION SPEAKERS

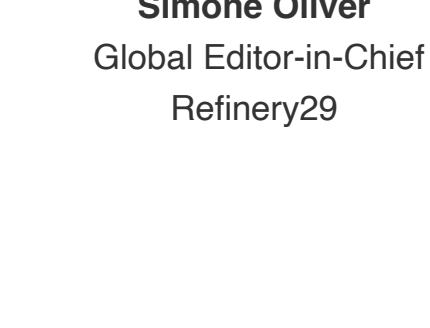
This Spring, NYU SPS will hold three Convocation ceremonies to honor the many accomplishments of the Class of 2022 undergraduates and graduates, as well as those who graduated in 2020 and 2021, but who were unable to attend in-person ceremonies due to the pandemic. It was thrilled to announce our convocation speakers, all of whom reflect the spirit, innovation, and determination for which NYU SPS and its students are known. Two of our convocation speakers are highly successful SPS alumni, and we are deeply grateful for their willingness to address our students and share their stories during this year's ceremonies. Scott Rechler '90, CEO and chairman, RXR Realty, is a graduate of the Schack Institute of Real Estate; and Crystal Williams '98, the newly appointed president of the Rhode Island School of Design, is a graduate of the Division of Applied Undergraduate Studies. Simone Oliver, global editor-in-chief of Refinery29 is a graduate of Howard University.



Graduate Convocation
Scott Rechler, '90
CEO and Chairman
RXR Realty

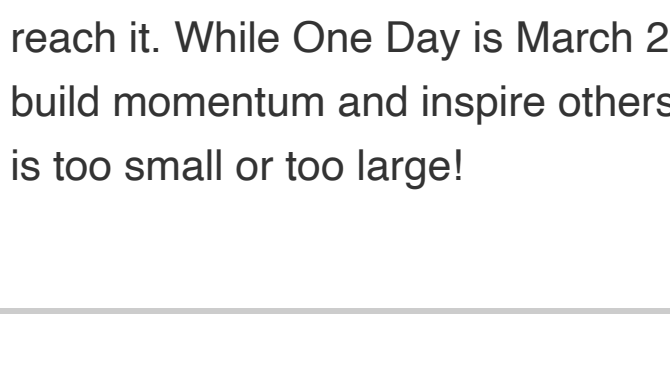


Undergraduate Convocation
Crystal Williams, '98
Newly Appointed President
Rhode Island School of Design



Combination 2020 & 2021 Convocation
Simone Oliver
Global Editor-in-Chief
Refinery29

Full biographies will be posted on the website in March.

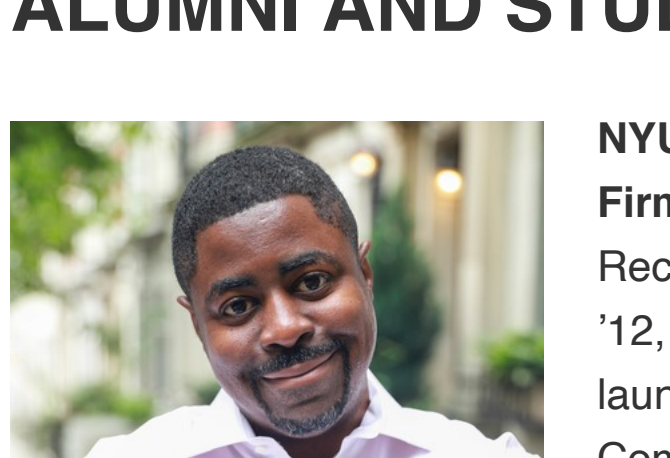


NYU One Day

The University will soon launch NYU One Day, its annual 24-hour day of giving. We hope that you will show your support for academic excellence and help SPS students thrive. We have set an aggressive goal of \$100,000 and will require your generosity to ensure that we

reach it. While One Day is March 24, 2022, you can [make a contribution today](#), to build momentum and inspire others to do the same. Please Give Today! No donation is too small or too large!

SCHOLARSHIP HELPS MS IN TRANSLATION & INTERPRETING STUDENT ATTEND PRESTIGIOUS CONFERENCE



Congratulations to Anees Gharzita, a student in the MS in Translation & Interpreting, who recently won a scholarship that will allow her to attend the American Translators Association (ATA) Annual Conference. Learn about Gharzita's passion for translation and her Conference experience. [Read More.](#)

ALUMNI AND STUDENT ACHIEVEMENTS



NYU SPS Schack Alumnus Launches Real Estate Firm to Invest in Black Communities

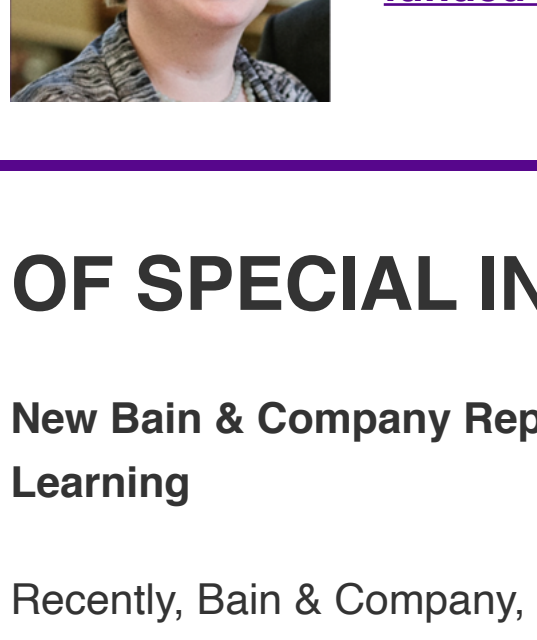
Recently, Schack Institute Alumnus Jerrod Delaine '12, who also serves as an adjunct instructor, launched a commercial real estate firm—The Delaine Companies—to invest in black communities. Learn about the roots of his deep desire to have an impact in the community and his future plans. [Read More.](#)



Visiting Center for Global Affairs Fulbright Scholar to Focus Efforts on Promoting Gender Equality in Sudan

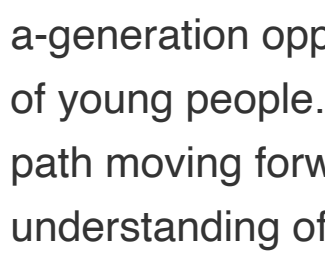
Wala Ali Abdelbassit Zaid, a visiting Fulbright Scholar at the NYU SPS Center for Global Affairs, is working to promote human rights and gender equality in her native Sudan. Her research will focus on the important role played by Sudanese women in the recent history of her country. [Learn More.](#)

STAFF/FACULTY HIGHLIGHTS



Larry Fillian Joins NYU SPS as Associate Dean, Enrollment Management and Student Success

A warm welcome to Larry Fillian who recently joined SPS as associate dean, enrollment management and student success. Fillian comes to NYU SPS from the University of Maryland School of Nursing. [Listen to Larry's Welcome.](#)



Two Center for Applied Liberal Arts Administrators Awarded Microgrant

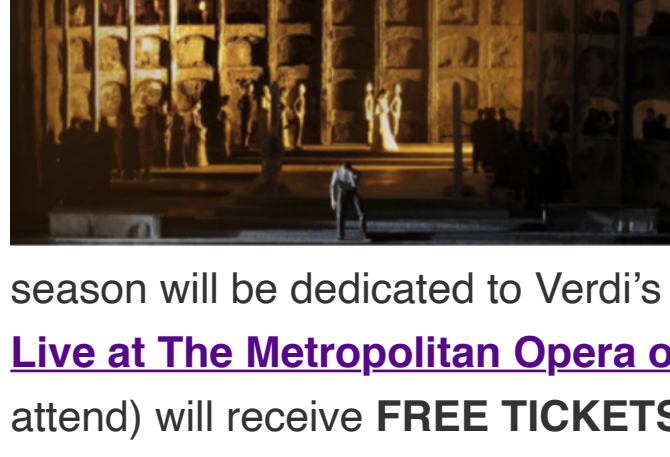
Kristine Rodriguez Kerr, EdD, academic director of the MS in Professional Writing and clinical associate professor, and Annelise Finegan, PhD, academic director of the MS in Translation & Interpreting and clinical assistant professor, have been awarded a Faculty Innovation and Anti-Racism Microgrant by the NYU Office of Global Inclusion. [Learn more about their funded project.](#)

OF SPECIAL INTEREST

New Bain & Company Report Focuses on the Value of Career-Connected Learning

Recently, Bain & Company, a global consultancy that helps the world's most ambitious change makers define the future, released a higher education related report titled "Taking Flight: How to Maximize the Potential of Career-Connected Learning." The report focuses on career-connected learning as the key to a once-in-a-generation opportunity to make good jobs and careers available to a broader pool of young people. It closely aligns with the mission and vision of SPS, and with our path moving forward. We hope you will read through it and gain a deeper understanding of how critical career-connected learning is in making opportunities available to students who too often find access to well-paying jobs beyond their reach. [Read the Report.](#)

EVENT & ACTIVITY HIGHLIGHTS



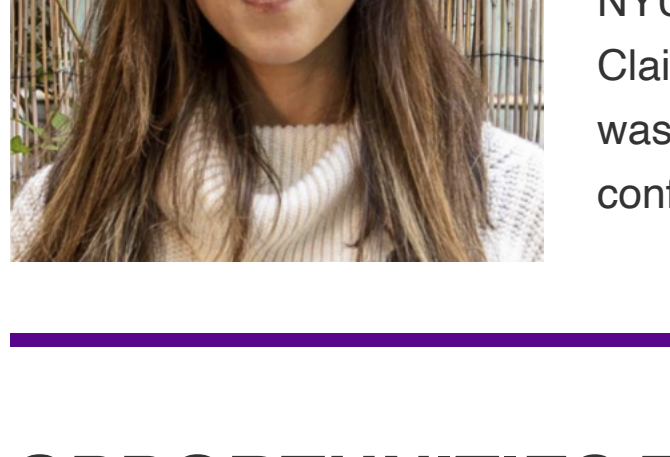
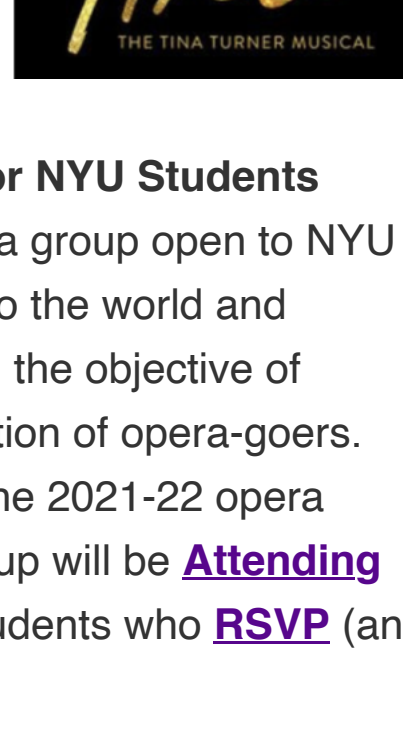
Gain a Glimpse Into the Hidden History Surrounding NYU

New York University Kimmel Windows Gallery presents "Passport to the Past," on view 24/7 through March 21 on the corner of Washington Square East and West 4th Street. This exhibition provides a glimpse into the hidden history of resistance and resilience of women, indigenous communities, African-Americans, LGBTQ+, Latinx, and Asian Americans around the NYU campus, as well as the direct actions NYU students took in the 60's and 70's in response to social injustices. [Learn More.](#)



Discounted Tickets to Broadway Favorites

As a continuation of NYU's amazing discount ticket program, you can purchase tickets for "Tina—The Tina Turner Musical" for March 3. The special "Rear Mezz Sale" offers tickets normally priced at \$99.00 for just \$45.00. [Purchase Now.](#)

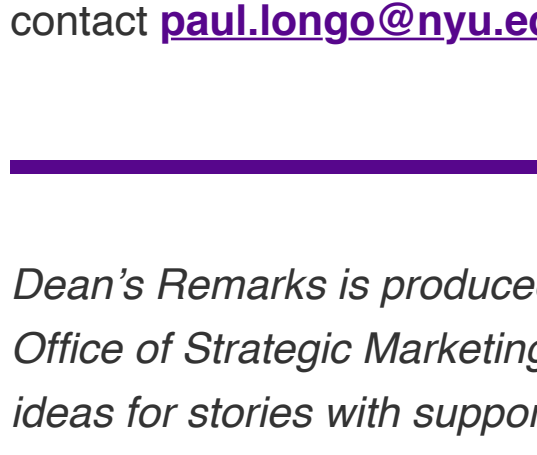


Opera Appreciation for NYU Students

Opera to the People is a group open to NYU students that delves into the world and language of opera, with the objective of fostering a new generation of opera-goers. The third gathering of the 2021-22 opera season will be dedicated to Verdi's Don Carlos, which the group will be [Attending Live at The Metropolitan Opera on March 3.](#) The first 25 students who [RSVP](#) (and attend) will receive **FREE TICKETS** to the performance.

NYU NEWS

NYU Fall/Winter Alumni Magazine Highlights a CGA Alumna as an Agent of Change



The Fall/Winter Issue of the NYU Alumni Magazine is out. If you have not had the opportunity to read it, we are providing a [link](#). Inside, you will find a wonderful feature titled "Agents of Change," which highlights NYU alumni who are making a difference. Alexandra Claire '15, a graduate of the MS in Global Affairs, was featured for her work as a tech ed provider in conflict affected areas. [Learn More.](#)

OPPORTUNITIES TO ENGAGE

Stay up-to-date and connected with all of the important work and programming the NYU Office of Global Inclusion, Diversity, and Strategic Innovation is doing by [signing up for their newsletter.](#)

Vision 2025

VISION 2025 is our roadmap for how we will educate the workforce of today and tomorrow. Undergirded by a commitment to innovation, inclusion, diversity, belonging, equity, and access, **VISION 2025** outlines our dynamic approach to shaping the future of applied professional education and lifelong learning. [Visit Vision 2025.](#)

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