

Center for Humanities & the Arts Newsletter

February 2020

Dear CU Boulder Community,

I've realized that as a newly transplanted Boulderite/Coloradan, the way for me to handle winter is to have a good pair of boots, a warm jacket/coat, and a car with AWD. These are among the new things I've learned since arriving here in August. I've also learned that there's so much amazing programming happening related to arts and humanities. For example, I attended the opening of the CU Boulder Art Museum exhibition, "**Last Library**," and it was INCREDIBLE! I hope everyone goes to the exhibit, especially because it addresses so many timely issues related to climate change and the environment—and it does this using art in a thoughtful, provocative, and aesthetically compelling way. And here's where I want to give a shout out to Sharon Van Boven, the CHA Finance and Operations manager who has revamped our website, adding pages, information, and most importantly, creating two tabs devoted to news and events related to arts and humanities at CU Boulder. This site gets you to **CHA & Arts and Humanities Events**: <https://www.colorado.edu/cha/cha-arts-and-humanities-events> -- and this tab gets you to **Campus Events** that we believe will be of interest to supporters of the CHA: <https://www.colorado.edu/cha/campus-events>. Please check out both tabs—there's so many amazing talks happening, too many for me to mention/highlight in one newsletter.

I want to thank everyone who turned out for our first "**Tea Talk**" at Ku Cha House of Tea. It was a standing-

room-only event featuring Dr. William Wei (History) with 55 people in attendance. And the **Faculty Celebration** in the CBIS room of Norlin Library honored over 30 faculty working in arts and humanities – for photos of both events, please check out our Twitter and Instagram pages: @cubouldercha (for both)—a big shout out to Leah Coffey our Program and Event Coordinator for making both a success and Dani Urbina, our student social media assistant for taking great photos and keeping up with our accounts.

Our next major event is the inaugural "**Difficult Dialogues: How to Talk about Race**" on Tuesday, March 3, 12-1pm, Norlin Library E260. Please see the attached flyer for more information. And remember, the deadline for **Climate Change and the Arts & Humanities proposal** is April 1: <https://www.colorado.edu/cha/opportunities/faculty-opportunities/climate-change-and-arts-humanities-proposal>

Finally, as usual I have **office hours Wednesdays from 10-12pm** and would love to meet anyone who wants to chat about their work related to arts and humanities or who simply wants to say hello—just click on the link below and sign up to chat with me: <https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1EslPtzTpscLldKxMP1sAfgYwczr16MMFCYs3foGzc/edit?usp=sharing>

Sincerely,



Jennifer Ho

CHA Events Spring 2020

Thursday, February 20, 12:30pm-1:30pm: [CHA-LEAP WOMEN FACULTY READING GROUP](#)

Samira Mehta, "Family Planning is a Christian Duty: Religion, Population Control, and the Pill in the 1960s," *Devotions and Desires: Histories of Sexuality and Religion in the 20th Century United States*, eds. Gillian Frank, Bethany Moreton, and Heather White (Chapel Hill: University of North Carolina Press, 2018): 152 – 169. [RSVP Required.](#)

Tuesday, March 3, 12:00-1:00pm: [DIFFICULT DIALOGUES: HOW TO TALK ABOUT RACE](#).

The CHA is launching a new series, "Difficult Dialogues" featuring a panel of specialists who will be sharing how they talk about race, especially focusing on how to talk about race in and out of the classroom and how to respond to issues of racism when they impact our campus community (such as the anti-black incident earlier in the fall). John-Michael Rivera (Writing Program) will moderate a discussion with Sam Flaxmann (Ecology and Evolutionary Biology), Tiara Na'puti (Communication), Celeste Montoya (Women and Gender Studies) in Norlin Library E260 classroom (2nd floor).

Wednesday, April 15, 6:00-7:00pm: [TEA TALKS](#) featuring Erika Randall (Theater and Dance) Mother Trucker: Disassembling Archetypes through Dance. Ku Cha House of Tea, 1211 Pearl Street, Boulder, CO

Upcoming Deadlines

Wed, March 4: [CHA Graduate Student Summer Stipends](#)

Wed, April 1: [Small Grant Applications](#)

Wed, April 1: [Climate Change and the Arts & Humanities Proposal](#)



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TUESDAY, MARCH 3RD

12:00PM - 1:00PM

NORLIN LIBRARY E260 CLASSROOM (2ND FLOOR)

PANEL MEMBERS:

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(Communication)



Sam Flaxmann
(Ecology and
Evolutionary Biology)



John-Michael Rivera
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