HAA Women’s Weekend Draft Program: November 4–6, 2016

Friday, November 4

3:00 pm–5:00 pm: Alumnae-led Breakouts and Campus Activities (choose one)

• Global Women’s Empowerment Expo: Connect, Recruit, and Inspire
  Location: TBD
  Leading women’s empowerment organizations connect with Harvard alumni and students seeking career, internship, mentorship, volunteer, and fundraising opportunities. Sponsored by Harvard Alumni for Global Women’s Empowerment and the Center for Public Interest Careers.

• A Conversation about Sports, Gender, and Society
  Location: TBD
  Hosted by the Radcliffe Institute for Advanced Study

• Art, Science, Culture, and Design!: Explore the Museums of Harvard
  Women’s Weekend participants have free admission privileges at the Harvard Art Museums, the Harvard Museum of Natural History, the Peabody Museum of Archaeology & Ethnology, the Collection of Historical Scientific Instruments, and the Harvard Semitic Museum. Explore at your leisure and be sure to take note of many amazing exhibits including “Vision and Justice,” curated by Professor Sarah Lewis AB ’98, Columbian artist Doris Salcedo’s “The Materiality of Mourning,” and the recently reopened world-famous Blaschka Glass Flowers.

5:00–7:00 pm: Welcome Reception at Harvard Business School
Location: Williams Room, Harvard Business School
Join fellow attendees for a reception featuring welcoming remarks by Drew Gilpin Faust, President and Lincoln Professor of History, Harvard University, and a performance from Harvard’s oldest all-female a cappella group, the Radcliffe Pitches. Beer, wine, and light snacks will be served.

7:00 pm: Dinner on your own and evening activities (optional; additional fees and registration may be required)

• Awakenings: A Journey Back to Joy
  Location: Sanders Theatre
  A concert featuring the Radcliffe Choral Society and the Harvard-Radcliffe Collegium Musicum, featuring the world première of Robert Kyr’s In the Name of Music.

• Painted Black and Blue
  Location: SciBox
  A play written and directed by Angelica Clayton AB ’17 chronicling a young woman’s experience with domestic abuse in college. Learn more about Painted Black and Blue and other Harvard Radcliffe Dramatic Club offerings at hrdctheater.com.
Saturday, November 5:

Morning Activities
Jump-start your day and take advantage of alumnae-led yoga or non-denominational devotional.

- **Yoga with Cathy Young AB ’84**
  Location: 114 Mount Auburn Street
  Start time: 7:15 am

- **Morning Devotional with Gloria White-Hammond and Julia Whitcavitch-DeVoy**
  Location: TBD Divinity School
  Start time: 7:45 am

8:00–9:00 am: **Breakfast**
Location: Northwest Labs
Start the day with informal conversation and continental breakfast.

9:00–9:30 am: **Opening Conversation**
Location: Northwest Labs
Featuring remarks by **Tamara Elliott Rogers AB ’74**, Vice President for Alumni Affairs and Development at Harvard University.

9:30-10:45 am: “**What’s Happening at Harvard**”: A Student Panel
Location: Northwest Labs
A lively and interactive discussion featuring graduate and undergraduate students, examining current and pressing issues on campus. The conversation will cover diverse issues, including on-campus support for LGBTQ communities, mental health, peer counseling around race and class concerns, single sex organizations, and the expansion of the arts and theatre on campus.

10:45–11:00 am: **Coffee Break**

11:00 am–12:30 pm: **Concurrent Alumnae and Faculty-Led Sessions** (choose one)

- **Memo to the President Elect: Key Issues Following the 2016 Election**
  Location: Science Center
  As the country will be days away from a historic Presidential election featuring the first female candidate from a major political party, this conversation will explore issues ahead for the new President. How should our new Commander-in-Chief approach the education gap between men and women, economic and pay inequality, ongoing racial discord, and other complex concerns?
• **Beyond Balance: Challenges and Choices in the 21st Century**
  Location: Science Center
  Explore the complex array of challenges and choices that face women today, including challenges for those reentering the workforce, caring for both children and aging parents, and balancing social pressures of personal and professional success. At a time when the perennial question seems to be “Can Women Have it All?”, this discussion will address how “balance” is distracting us from core concerns.

• **Don’t STEM the Tide: Advancing Gender Equality in Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math**
  Location: Science Center
  How do we create environments that increase the participation of women, girls, and other underrepresented groups in the fields of science, technology, engineering, and mathematics? Why have the numbers historically been dire, why is the change critical to both individuals and to society, and what sort of innovations are opening pathways to new frontiers? How does the gender wage gap tie into this particular field?

• **The Global Landscape: International Women’s Issues**
  Location: Science Center
  The complex global landscape shows consistent and ongoing human rights violations against women and girls. How are diplomatic tactics, foreign policy, and other interventions making headway abroad—or not—and how do these efforts align with U.S. priorities? How are diverse constituencies encouraging global gender equality, economic independence, and educational access?

• **Women’s Health in America**
  Location: Science Center
  What is the latest thinking about the health needs of women, from teens to nonagenarians? What changes are occurring in the way we understand and treat mental and physical ailments as our lives and environments are changing? How does financial status, as well as race, sexual, and gender orientation, impact health outcomes?

• **Women in Entrepreneurship**
  Location: Science Center
  Women entrepreneurs are rapidly increasing their ranks and are a powerful, global economic force given their efforts around reinvestment, job creation, and innovation. How are female entrepreneurs from a diversity of backgrounds and generations overcoming challenges, and what concerns remain? How can we continue to expand opportunities and support entrepreneurial networks, both on a local and global scale?

12:30–1:45 pm: **Lunch**
Location: Northwest Labs
Community buffet-style lunch offers the opportunity to chat informally with leaders of a number of Shared Interest Groups and connect with friends old and new. There will be no formal program.
2:00–3:30 pm: Shared Interest Group and Alumnae-Led Discussion Groups (choose one)

- **Work/Family Balance: Unattainable Standard?**
  Location: TBD
  Have you ever been frustrated by the lack of resolution that often accompanies conversations about balance? Join Linda Rossetti MBA ’91, veteran tech start-up CEO and mom, for a provocative new look at balance through the lens of women’s transitions and their influence on women’s choices. The interactive session will feature research from Rossetti’s book, Women & Transition: Reinventing Work and Life, and will explore the difference between change and transition. Attendees will be introduced to a framework for understanding transition and will participate in a set of hands-on exercises designed to introduce women to the skills necessary to navigate transition successfully. Even if you haven’t yet experienced a major life-changing event, you will find this workshop invaluable. This session is organized by the Alumnae-i Network for Harvard Women (www.harvardwomensig.com).

- **Girls’ Education as a Pathway to Global Women’s Empowerment**
  Location: TBD
  This session will explore the importance of girls’ education as a means to the full participation of women in their families, their communities, and the global economy. Building on a powerful piece of storytelling from Girl Rising, a documentary film intended to raise awareness about the importance of educating girls in the developing world, this session will engage key leaders from the field in a discussion of the factors that prevent girls from going to school, and how education is linked to a variety of opportunities for women, including improved health, economic empowerment, and political rights. This session is organized by Harvard Global WE.

- **Harvard Women of Color: Conversation, Connection, Community, Change**
  Location: TBD
  This interactive session will explore the complex array of concerns, challenges, and choices that face women of color. Through shared remarks and an open discussion featuring Harvard alumnae and faculty as well as session participants, we hope to engage participants. We aim to break down silos separating different racial and ethnic groups, and spur conversation to generate positive and workable solutions that address the urgency of this historic moment. Come prepared to learn, share, and be inspired. Organized by Harvard Asian American Alumni Alliance, Harvard Black Alumni Society, and Harvard Latino Alumni Alliance.

- **Building Collaboration Across Sectors**
  Location: TBD
  Description to be added. Organized by the Women in Defense, Diplomacy, and Development.

- **Women in Faith**
  Location: TBD
  Description to be added.
• The Evolution of the LGBTQ Landscape  
  Location: TBD  
  Description to be added. Organized by Harvard Medical School’s LGBTQ Office in conjunction with the Harvard Gender and Sexuality Caucus.

• Exercise the Six Dimensions of Wellness  
  Location: TBD  
  Description to be added.

• Raising and Teaching Girls in America: Then and Now  
  Location: TBD  
  Description to be added.

3:30–5:00 pm: Alumnae-Led Breakouts, Mini-reunions, and Campus Activities (choose one)

• Harvard Women in Wine: Tastings and Perspectives  
  Location: TBD  
  Description to be added. Organized by the Harvard Food and Wine Shared Interest Group.

• Art, Science, Culture, and Design!: Explore the Museums of Harvard  
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• Harvard Women in Business Alumni-Student Meet-up  
  Location: TBD  
  Description to be added. Organized by the Harvard Undergraduate Women in Business Shared Interest Group.

• Harvard College Women’s Center Open House  
  Location: Canady Hall  
  Description to be added. Organized by the Harvard College Women’s Center.

6:00–10:30 pm: Dinner and Closing Reception  
  Location: Northwest Labs  
  This fun and informal dinner will feature remarks from notable professors and closing remarks by Philip Lovejoy, Executive Director of the Harvard Alumni Association. After dinner, enjoy mingling, dancing, and student performances.
10:30 pm: **Donkey Show at the A.R.T. (optional; additional fee and registration required)**
Location: OBERON Theater

*Not ready to end the evening? Experience surreal Shakespeare at Harvard’s OBERON Theater. Tony Award–winner Diane Paulus AB ’88 has created the ultimate disco experience—a crazy circus of mirror balls and feathered divas, of roller skaters and hustle queens inspired by Shakespeare’s A Midsummer Night’s Dream. Come party on the dance floor to all the ’70s disco hits you know by heart as the show unfolds around you. After the show, the party continues into the night so you can live out your own fantasy of disco fever.*

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**Sunday, November 6:**

**Morning Activities**
*Jump-start your day and take advantage of alumnae-led yoga or non-denominational devotional.*

- **Yoga with Lois Nesbitt AB ’81**
  Location: 114 Mount Auburn Street
  Start time: 7:00 am
- **Morning Devotional with Gloria White-Hammond and Julia Whitcavitch-DeVoy**
  Location: TBD Divinity School
  Start time: 8:30 am

9:00–11:00 am: **Community Brunch**
Location: Northwest Labs
*Close out the weekend with an informal brunch and presentation. Family and friends are invited to attend brunch ($15).*

11:00 am onward: **Additional Optional Activities**
Locations across campus
*You are encouraged to take advantage of a number of opportunities around campus, including:*  

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