COLUMBIA NEIGHBORS



COMMUNITY UPDATES

How to Access Free ESOL Classes at Columbia

Tommunity Impact, the University's largest student service organization, offers free English classes for adult immigrants who live in the New York City area.

Every year, Community Impact offers three free 12-week cycles of English for Speakers of Other Languages (ESOL) courses across six levels from beginning to advanced literacy. There are also conversation courses offered for higher levels of the program.

Important things to note: courses are offered in the Fall (September through December), Spring

(January through May), and Summer (June through August); you must be 18 years or older and live in New York City to enroll; classes are free, but students are expected to buy the textbook.

If you are interested in participating, you can walk into a class, call ahead, sign up on Community Impact's website, or email esol@communityimpact.columbia.edu.

Learn more about the program and Community Impact's website neighbors.columbia.edu/esol.

Minouche Shafik, Columbia's 20th President, Starts Her Term

This month, Nemat "Minouche" Shafik-a leading economist whose career has focused on public policy and academia-will begin her term as the University's 20th president.

When Minouche delivered remarks in January, she spoke about the importance of deepening connections with surrounding communities.

"One of the things that attracted me so much to Columbia was your commitment to the notion that universities can and must engage beyond their walls," Shafik said. "The engagement is even more critical in overcoming skepticism in some quarters as to what and whether universities actually make a positive contribution to society. For Columbia,



that commitment starts in our neighboring communities and extends across the globe."

Learn more about Minouche Shafik at **president**. columbia.edu

COMMUNITY EVENTS



War Stories: How Do We Talk About

July 6 - 27, 5:30 pm - 7:00 pm

A mock seminar meeting every Thursday in July, open to neighbors and sponsored by Columbia's Center for Veteran Transition and Integration.

neighbors.columbia.edu/war-stories



Uptown Triennial Opening & Sundae Sermon Afternoon July 8, 1:00 pm - 4:00 pm

A festive summer afternoon celebrating

Uptown Triennial 2023 with DI Stormin' Norman and Sundae Sermon at the Wallach Gallery.

neighbors.columbia.edu/sermon-23



Film Works Alfresco at Haven Plaza: Inside July 14, 7:00 pm -10:30 pm

A free summer movie

night organized by Inwood Art Works at Haven Plaza on 168 Street and Fort Washington Avenue.

neighbors.columbia.edu/film-alfresco



ColumbiaDoctors **Outreach With** Dentistry, the **Hypertension Center** July 25, 8:00 am -4:00 pm

Representatives from ColumbiaDoctors Dentistry and the Hypertension Center will be on hand to answer questions from the community at Haven Plaza.

neighbors.columbia/dentistry-july