

COLUMBIA NEIGHBORS

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COMMUNITY UPDATES

A Passion for Black History in Harlem

For Harlem native Carolyn D. Johnson, it's Uptown's historical flair that makes the community one of the most unique places on the globe.

"I like to tell people no place in the world has contributed more to American history and world history than Harlem," said Johnson. "We need to honor the individuals that have paved the way to make Harlem what it is."

Johnson's passion for Harlem's history led her to create her own local boutique tour company, Welcome to Harlem. Launched in 2004, Welcome

to Harlem offers in-person experiences exploring Harlem's rich past and cultural diversity and has inspired her other businesses, including the education-driven platform Harlem Roots and her latest creation, the Harlem Renaissance-inspired board game Harlem-Opoly.

Neighbors chatted with Johnson about some of the most significant spaces in Harlem that are connected to Black history, from The Apollo Theater to Strivers Row. See the full list at neighbors.columbia.edu/harlem-opoly.

Meet Columbia's Next President

In January, Columbia's Board of Trustees announced that Nemat "Minouche" Shafik, a leading economist whose career has focused on public policy and academia, would become the 20th president of the university starting July 1, 2023.

Shafik recently embarked on a tour of Columbia's campuses, including a breakfast reception at Manhattanville Market, where she met with local elected officials and community leaders.

The celebration was hosted by Hon. Rolando T. Acosta, a member of Columbia's Board of Trustees. Among the attendees were New York



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City Council Member Shaun Abreu, Assemblyman Al Taylor, and Senator Robert Jackson.

See the photos from the festive breakfast reception at neighbors.columbia.edu/minouche-shafik.

COMMUNITY EVENTS



Community Health Workers Town Hall on COVID Fatigue

February 9, 5:00 pm

The town hall series will continue with an event on COVID-related issues led by medical professionals at Columbia University Irving Medical Center and NewYork-Presbyterian.

neighbors.columbia.edu/town-hall



Black Lives in the Diaspora: Past / Present / Future

February 9, 6:30 pm

A launch event for a new partnership

between Howard and Columbia universities to energize new publishing in Black Studies.

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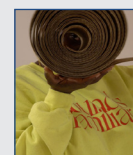
The Harlem Chamber Players: Black History Month Celebration

Feb 16, 6:30 pm

The Harlem Chamber Players' 15th Annual

Black History Month Celebration concert.

neighbors.columbia.edu/chamber



Wallach Art Gallery: NOTHING #26 Performance

February 26, 3:00 pm

Artist Autumn Knight will give an in-person

performance at the gallery as part of the NOTHING#26 exhibition.

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