

COLUMBIA NEIGHBORS

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COMMUNITY UPDATES

A Delectable Celebration of Culture at The Forum

On July 3, the New York Women's Chamber of Commerce hosted its third annual Taste of Harlem celebration at the Lee C. Bollinger Forum on Columbia's Manhattanville campus.

During the event, which Columbia was proud to support through its In-Kind Benefits program, attendees indulged in everything from Japanese-inspired curry ramen dishes from Jin Ramen to sweet Southern-style desserts crafted by the artisanal bakery Chatman J. Cakes.

They mixed, mingled, dined, and danced the night away to tunes spun by local DJ The People Plezzer and got printed copies of NYWCC's Explore West Harlem guide.

From the local partnerships that brought the event to fruition—including collaborations with Manhattan Borough President Mark Levine, New York City Council Member Shaun Abreu, Harlem Community Development Corporation President Curtis Archer, the BOC Network, Manhattan Community Board 9, and other partners and sponsors—to the connections fostered during the celebration, Taste of Harlem 2025 was a true reflection of the power of community.

Learn more and see photos from the event at neighbors.columbia.edu/taste-harlem.

Bundles Scholars Speak at Renowned Conference

Earlier this summer, members of the A'Lelia Bundles Community Scholars program participated in a panel discussion as part of the NCORE Conference, the leading national forum advancing access and opportunity in higher education.

Approximately 6,000 administrators, faculty, staff, and student leaders attended the conference.

The filmed panel discussion on the program features A'Lelia Bundles and three distinguished Bundles Community Scholars: Harlem historian John Reddick, historian and author Eric K. Washington, and Hip-Hop educator Martha Diaz.



Photo courtesy George Calderaro

The panel was moderated by George Calderaro of Columbia's School of Professional Studies.

Watch the panel at neighbors.columbia.edu/bundles-panel.

COMMUNITY EVENTS



Free Workshop: Write Your Business Plan

Aug. 5, 6:00 - 7:00 p.m.

Alianza Dominicana hosts this workshop where you can acquire practical tools and guidance for developing a robust business plan.

neighbors.columbia.edu/business-plan



Climate/Environmental Justice: A Discussion of NYC's Plans

Aug. 6, 5:30 - 8:00 p.m.

A Harlem Week panel on the local climate challenges we face, with experts from Columbia Climate School.

neighbors.columbia.edu/climate-justice

Book Launch: "The Grand Paloma Resort"

Aug. 11, 7:00 - 8:30 p.m.

Word Up and Dominican Writers Association celebrate the launch of Barnard Professor Cleyvis Natera's The Grand Paloma Resort.

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Uptown Night Market

Aug. 14,
4:00 - 10:00 p.m.

Only three night markets remain — stop by this open-air celebration of food, culture, and community.

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