

COLUMBIA NEIGHBORS

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COMMUNITY UPDATES

Local Gem Buunni Coffee Comes to the CUIMC Campus

Fourteen years ago, Elias Gurmu and Sarina Prabasi opened a tiny coffee shop on Pinehurst Avenue. Today, their Washington Heights-based Buunni Coffee (named for the Amharic word for coffee) has grown to include locations in Washington Heights and Inwood, a South Bronx roastery, beans sold at Trader Joe's, and, as of this spring, two new spots on Columbia University Irving Medical Center's campus.

"In the history of Buunni, this [partnership] is one of the biggest things that's happened to us," Prabasi said.

The Haven Plaza café (711 W. 168th St.) is open to the public daily, 7 a.m.–7 p.m. A second location inside the William Black Medical Research Building serves CUIMC/NYP ID holders on weekdays.

Buunni celebrates its grand opening Oct. 6 at 3 p.m. with an Ethiopian coffee ceremony, tastings, music, and raffles.

Read more about Buunni Coffee's local story at neighbors.columbia.edu/buunni.

Seniors, Hop Aboard Columbia's Shuttle Bus Service

Did you know? All local community members who are disabled or senior citizens (including attendants) are welcome to use Columbia's shuttle bus service.

The ADA-accessible Intercampus Shuttle is free and connects 96th St., the Morningside campus, 125th St., Columbia University Irving Medical Center in Washington Heights, and Harlem Hospital, with stops at nearby subway and transit hubs.

The shuttle bus service runs Monday through Friday, 9:00 am to 5:00 pm, except on state and federal public holidays.



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COMMUNITY EVENTS



HYPE Hair in Harlem

Oct. 5, 2:00 pm–5:00 pm

Free scalp and skin screenings, haircuts, panels, and community conversations. Presented by CUNY School of Medicine. neighbors.columbia.edu/hype

Bird Watching in Morningside Park

Oct. 10, 10:00 am–3:00 pm

Join NYC Bird Alliance and West Harlem Art Fund for a birding walk in historic Morningside Park for World Migratory Bird Day. neighbors.columbia.edu/birds



Lamont-Doherty Earth Observatory Open House

Oct. 17, 10:00 am–4:00 pm

Enjoy lab tours, hands-on Earth Science activities, and talks on discoveries from top researchers at Lamont-Doherty Earth Observatory. Free shuttle bus available for transport from Morningside Heights to Palisades, NY. neighbors.columbia.edu/ideo

Dyckman Farmhouse Museum's Fall Festival

Oct. 17, 10:00 am–3:00 pm

All ages welcome for this free event filled with music, activities, games, stories, and more. neighbors.columbia.edu/fallfest