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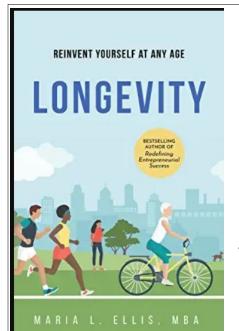
Special 10th Anniversary issue!

## Welcome to the AAUW Empire State NYC Branch!

Members of the AAUW Empire State NYC Branch meet the 1st Friday of each month at the Harvard Club in NYC from 5:30 pm to 7:00 pm to discuss current issues related to women's education and other issues. Please join us for drinks and conversation.

**RSVP** to jessicaryansimsphd@gmail.com. The Harvard Club, 35 W 44th Street, New York, NY 10036

## "Longevity: Reinvent Yourself at Any Age" - Virtual



Join us on
Thursday, September 29<sup>th</sup>
at 5:30 pm for a
"Longevity: Reinvent Yourself
at Any Age"

Complimentary workshop Via Zoom
To join us, email mellis@fsaCap.com

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Happy 10th Anniversary to the Empire State NYC Branch, AAUW!





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# A LETTER FROM THE EMPIRE STATE VIRTUAL BRANCH PRESIDENT, MARIA ELLIS



Dear Friends,

Congratulations and thank you to our Empire State NYC Branch members and friends on who helped us celebrate our 10th Anniversary! It has been an educational and fun journey! Our 1st founders' meeting was held at Cazenovia College on July 19, 2012, during our AAUW NYS Summer Leadership Conference in Cazenovia, New York.

During our 1<sup>st</sup> meeting, we elected our officers, board of directors and welcomed all our 25

founding members! This meeting was very special because Mary Lou Davis, AAUW NYS president and Eileen Hartmann, Nancy Mion, Diane Haney AAUW NYS past presidents as well as AAUW NYS state board members and branch presidents participated in our 1st founders' meeting. Also, there was representation from our many branches throughout our seven districts including the North Shore Branch, the Islip Area Branch, Westchester Branch, Staten Island Branch, Rockland County Branch, Kingston Branch, Poughkeepsie Branch, Amsterdam, Gloversville & Johnstown Branch (AGJ), Oswego Branch, Jefferson County Branch, St. Lawrence Branch, Fairport Area Branch, Greater Rochester Branch and Buffalo Branch.

In the Fall 2012, the Empire State NYC Branch (a.k.a.The Empire Virtual Branch) started our 1<sup>st</sup> "Start Smart" workshop, a successful joint project with the Westchester Branch, held at the College of Mount Saint Vincent on Thursday, November 29, 2012. Over the last 10 years, the "Start Smart" workshops have also been taught in the Spring and/or Fall at the New School and the New York Institute of Technology.

https://www.nyit.edu/events/smart\_salary\_negotiation\_workshop

In our 1st Empire Times, quarterly newsletter issued in the Fall of 2012, our esteemed Public Policy VP, Nancy Mion wrote that the first advocacy action we should take is to be certain that we are members of the AAUW Action Network. This will keep you aware of the latest AAUW National Public Policy happenings and will enable us to take immediate action on significant issues. It was relevant then and it is even more relevant now! Make sure to join the "Two Minute Activists" to make your voice heard in Congress.

https://www.aauw.org/act/two-minute-activist/

Ten years later, we continue our mission to promote pay equity and education for women and girls thru zoom meetings and social media. We have also reached out to our AAUW fellows to continue to nurture them. Click on the link below for a video sample interview of one of AAUW's international fellows, Ayesha Shakya from Nepal. <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=eFKehFVZPI4">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=eFKehFVZPI4</a>

Also, we continue our Great Decisions conversations about Changing Demographics, Outer Space, Climate Change, Russia and the United States, Quad Alliance, Drug Policy in Latin America, Industrial Policy, and the Biden Agenda.

https://www.fpa.org/great\_decisions/?act=gd\_topics

If you become a new member or renew your membership with the Empire State NYC Branch, AAUW on before September 30<sup>th</sup>, you will receive a complimentary copy of my book, "Achieve Financial Freedom, a road map to financial success." To join us click on the link below. https://empire-ny.aauw.net/membership/application/

In closing, I am really looking forward to your active participation in our AAUW mission-based programs. Please come and join us on Thursday, September 29<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 pm for a "Longevity: Reinvent Yourself at Any Age" complimentary workshop via zoom.

To join us, email mellis@fsacap.com.

Much Love & Appreciation!

Maria Ellis, MBA

Empire State NYC Branch President

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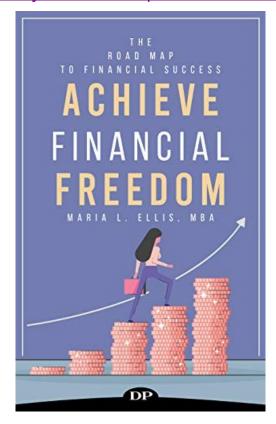
To join as a new member or to renew your membership click on

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#### Secure Your Finances by Creating Your Own Financial Plan

https://www.amazon.com/Achieve-Financial-Freedom-Road-Success-ebook/dp/B089NK7RQG/ref=sr\_1\_17dchild=1&keywords=maria+ellis&qid=1600708391&sr=8-1



Do you work long hours in a stressful career and wonder if it will be enough to support your financial needs in both the near and distant future? Do you want to ensure that you have enough money to live your dream life and retire on your own time? Why not learn how to make your money work for you before it is too late? You can start building a strong financial future right now without working yourself to death. It is never too early to learn how to invest your money.

In *Achieve Financial Freedom*, author Maria L. Ellis, MBA, brings together more than twenty years of experience to teach just how easy it can be to:

- · Create a financial plan that makes it easy to achieve financial success
- · Select the investments that are best for your specific goals
- · Know the risks and rewards of investing, and avoid the pitfalls common to new investors so your money works for you
- · Monitor and adjust your investment portfolio so you can watch your investments grow
- · Invest your money so you will have enough to live your dream life

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## Start Smart/Salary Negotiation Workshop

## Ask the President

Learning to Negotiate the Wage Start Smart Workshop Sponsored by

> AAUW's Empire State Virtual Branch! Place: New York Institute of Technology Fall 2022

> > Date/Time: TBD

https://www.nyit.edu/box/features/know your value how to negotiate salary

https://www.nyit.edu/events/

aauw work smart salary negotiation workshop



Suzanne DeChillo/photographer, The New York Times Annie Houle of the WAGE Project uses \$1 bills and play money to show men's pay advantage over different groups of women. Her program teaches women how to negotiate for better salaries.

Did you see the article on the wage gap on the front page of the business section of the New York Times? If you haven't read the article, click on the link below for details:

http://www.nytimes.com/2012/12/16/business/to-solve-thegender-wage-gap-learn-to-speak-up.html?ref=business& r=1

### Does AAUW offer Community Action Grants?

Community Action Grants provide funding to individuals, AAUW branches and AAUW state organizations as well as community-based nonprofits for innovative programs that promote education and equity through projects focused on encouraging girls to select, before entering college, the physical sciences or engineering as a career. Since 1972, AAUW has provided support to hundreds of communities across the United States. The available funding is from \$3,000 to \$10,000 and Applications open on August 1<sup>st</sup>. If you have any additional questions about Smart Smart/Work Smart and/or C/U activities in your area, please email me at mellis@fsacap.com.

#### Meet a Current Community Action Grantee



Marisa Madison is the CEO of 24/7 STEAM Works, Inc., a nonprofit dedicated to empowering and inspiring underrepresented, marginalized youth in research experiences geared toward cultivating an interest in STEM and career development and obtaining undergraduate and graduate degrees. The goal of this fellowship is to engage 6th-through 12th-grade girls in workshops with virtual, interdisciplinary learning experiences including engineering, agriculture, decreasing climate change and food instability, chemistry, astronomy, bacterial culture, and microscopy.

## AAUW StartSmart Salary Negotiation - NYIT



My Start Smart AHA moment was when I realized that I could have gotten a much higher salary during the role playing exercise. I feel that instead of taking the employer's word, I should have negotiated more; now I know better! I realy enjoyed the workshop and I earned quite a bit. I want to thank you and everyone involved for taking the time to share this very valuable information with us.

Maryam Khan, NYIT Student





# Who are some of the recipients who have received AAIW Fellowships or Grants in 2020-2023?

AAUW provides the largest fellowship program and the oldest non-institutional source of graduate funding for women in the United States.

AAUW American Fellowships support women scholars who are pursuing full-time study to complete dissertations, conducting postdoctoral research full time, or preparing research for publication for eight consecutive weeks. Applicants must be U.S. citizens or permanent residents. Candidates are evaluated based on scholarly excellence; quality and originality of project design; and active commitment to helping women and girls through service in their communities, professions, or fields of research..

This is a special 10th-anniversary fall issue for us, and the NYC Metro fund has sponsored 13 out of 31 fellows in 2022-2023.

Here are some of the recipients in 2020-2023



Farzana Ali's work focuses on developing a machine-learning model to predict antidepressant response early in treatment using activity data. Such a model will allow remote health monitoring that can benefit women who are more likely to experience depression but lack access to mental-health care due to societal barriers. She is a senior leader in the Ph.D. career ladder program that provides mentoring for grad students and post-docs pursuing careers inside and outside academia.

Sponsors:

1827 - Sandy Bernard and Alice Ann Leidel 4345 - Lucy Fulton - American Fellowship

American Fellow Farzana Ali

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## Fellowships or Grants Cont'd.



2022-23 American Fellow Grantee Anna Hidalgo

Anna Hidalgo's research is driven by a commitment to understanding the experiences of marginalized people and communities. Her current project is an ethnography of transnational intimate relationships in a Peruvian town. She examines masculine subcultures, the sociocultural dimensions of tourism and how people use fantasy to cope with structural and personal disappointments. Her earlier work examined the experiences of marginalized people in academia. She was born in the Dominican Republic and raised in South Florida.

2022-23 American Fellow Grantee Azeta Kola



Azeta Kola's research exposes the nature of early modern empires, offering a more nuanced understanding on the Venetian-Ottoman rivalry for dominion in the Early Modern Mediterranean. Her project shows how vital frontier regions like Albania were as negotiating grounds during the Renaissance. Her goal is to teach and do research as a tenured history professor to close the gender gap in academia.

Sponsors:: 1020 - Margaret M. Bryant



2022-23 American Fellow Alexandria Ramos New York University

Alexandria Ramos is a Ph.D. candidate in New York University's department of English. Her research and teaching interests include women of color feminisms, decolonial thought, migration and diasporas. She is currently working on a dissertation that explores the print pedagogies of U.S. Latinx and Asian American writer-activists in the pre-Civil Rights era.

#### Sponsors:

1046 - Marguerite E. Gauger; 4053 - Seneca Falls 150th Anniversary; 4113 - Illinois 75th Anniversary 2022-23 Career Development Grant Grantee Natalie Diaz



Natalie Diaz is a therapist in training, a changemaker, a leader, a community builder and an activist. She is pursuing a Master of Social Work to practice both direct clinical social work, focusing on counseling for BIPOC individuals, and macro social work, focused on social policy and driving structural change via political social work. Her practice is rooted in social justice, and she is passionate about the principles and practices of racial and economic equity.



2022-23 Career Action Grantee Yamilée Toussaint Beach

STEM From Dance gives girls the awareness and preparation for a STEM education through the creative and confidence-building aspects of dance. Girls will choreograph a dance enhanced with a technological component they learn to code, such as computer-programmed animation that serves as a digital backdrop, music created through coding or costumes with LED lights. Girls also can connect with women in STEM and attend field trips to STEM companies.

2022-23 Career Action Grantee Eden Oyewo



C.O.R.E. is a movement to develop a strong and positive foundation for Black/brown young women and teens. Allowing females to understand and maintain a healthy level of self-worth through our digital media and programs addressing finance, relationships, health, beauty and careers. Since 2015, C.O.R.E. has implemented and cosponsored more than 15 programs that have reached more than 715 Black/brown teens in high school through young women in college in Brooklyn, New York, and locations across America.

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## Are You Interested in the STEM Fields and All the Potential They Hold— Especially for Girls Like You?

AAUW has created a brand new program for girls in grades 9 through 12 — with a particular focus on girls of color — and for the parents, guardians, and caregivers who support their dreams and aspirations.

For more information, email: mellis@fsacap.com.



#### College of Mount Saint Vincent Mentorship Event

# Congrats to Carol Griffith AAUW NYS President!



CMSV Metnors: Dr. Rani, Maria Ellis & Lorrin Johnson Mentees: Nakayah Estwick, Kathleen Stack & Brianna Perez

#### **AAUW NYS Update**

The election for this position was held on November 1, 2021. The nominating committee presented candidate Carol Griffith, our previous NYS Development VP and a Buffalo Branch member. The delegates in attendance elected her unanimously and she will become President of AAUW-NYS on July 1, 2022 for the biennium.



Also congratulations to our AAUW NYS newly elected officers – Public Policy VP Nan Scinta (Adirondack and Buffalo Branches), Membership VP Karen Martin (Rockland County Branch), Secretary Lynn Gore (Kingston Branch) and Treasurer Barbara Van Itallie (Poughkeepsie Branch). They will all serve for the 2021-23 biennium.

#### Girls for STEM 2023 Conference Planning Committee Invite

#### GIRLS FOR STEM CONFERENCE PLANNING COMMITTEE

is inviting AAUW members and friends to join AAUW Westchester Branch and the Empire State NYC Branch on

Date: TBD
Time: 9:00 am - 12:00 pm
Virtual and In-Person
College of Mount Saint Vincent
Riverdale, NY



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## Diversity and Inclusion



Diversity is critical to AAUW's mission. Issues of equity — from fair pay to sexual assault to access to health care — affect all women, and women in marginalized

groups often disproportionately experience the effects of these issues. To succeed in empowering women and girls, we must have diverse voices contributing different perspectives.

## AAUW-Applauds Passage of The Paycheck Fairness Act

By passing this important bill, the House of Representatives has demonstrated its commitment to the economic security of American women and their families. We know there is a pay gap for all women, at every age, in every part of the country, and in nearly every industry. The gap has closed by less than a nickel in the 21st century, and it's obvious that something needs to be done to ensure families can thrive.

"The Equal Pay Act of 1963 was a powerful first step, but the law has been weakened over time as the workforce demography has changed. We need new tools to fight discriminatory pay practices, and we need effective incentives and assistance to help employers comply with the law. The Paycheck Fairness Act provides these tools by closing loopholes in the Equal Pay Act and putting new protections in place for the benefit of all American workers. Its passage is long overdue.

"AAUW commends Representative Rosa DeLauro (D-Conn.) for her leadership on this bill for over 20 years. We urge the Senate to follow the House's lead and act now to pass the Paycheck Fairness Act. We can't wait any longer for equal pay."

Mary C. Hickey, AAUW

## YOU CAN: GIVE WOMEN TOOLS TO NEGOTIATE THEIR SALARIES

Did you know that 57% of men try to negotiate their salary, but only 7% of women do?

HOW CAN <u>YOU</u> PROVIDE WOMEN WITH THE SKILLS THEY NEED TO NEGOTIATE TO HELP CLOSE THE GENDER PAY GAP?

**THE ANSWER:** You can spread the word about the **FREE** AAUW salary negotiation workshop course "WORK SMART ONLINE" at <a href="https://salary.aauw.org/">https://salary.aauw.org/</a> It is a complete computer course, comprehensive, amazing, informative, and worthwhile. It gives women the tools they need to negotiate for better salaries and benefits. They'll learn the market value of their skills and experience; be able to determine an equitable "target salary"; and have more confidence and better negotiating skills to ask for and get the pay they deserve.

Do contact family, friends, and acquaintances who would benefit from taking this **FREE WORK SMART ONLINE** class and encourage them to us it and to tell others about it.

AAUW LEADING THE WAY TO GENDER PAY EQUITY!
Nancy Mion, AAUW Empire State NYC Branch

## **Public Policy**



#### **AAUW Public Policy Priorities!**

AAUW's mission is to advance gender equity for women and girls through research, education, and advocacy. The work of AAUW builds upon responsible public participation, and the following priorities provide a basis for AAUW members' actions at the local, state, national, and international levels.

Implicit in each is support for government agencies administering programs, including adequate appropriations, effective and accountable administration, and provision for citizen participation. AAUW advocates public discussion to ensure enlightened decisions on these priorities. AAUW works to increase the number of women and other underrepresented populations in policy- and other decision-making positions.

AAUW's positions are shaped by its commitment to being nonpartisan and fact-based, and to acting with integrity. AAUW strives for its work to be inclusive and intersectional, collaborating with diverse allies and coalitions to achieve equity for all. Basic to all of AAUW's public policy efforts is the understanding that true equity requires a balance between the rights of the individual and the needs of the community.

AAUW opposes all forms of discrimination and supports constitutional protection for the civil rights of all individuals. AAUW believes that high-quality public education is the foundation of a democratic society and the key to improving economic prosperity and gender equality.

AAUW advocates equitable access to education and climates free of harassment, bullying, and sexual assault. AAUW supports academic freedom, civic education, protection from censorship, bias-free education, and responsible funding for all levels of education, including early childhood education and programs for students with disabilities.

AAUW advocates for increased access to higher education, especially for women in poverty, and promotes equitable efforts to close the persistent achievement gap that disproportionately affects low-income children and students from communities of color. For more information about AAUW's Public Policy Priorities, click on the link below.

https://www.aauw.org/app/uploads/2020/02/Public-Policy-Priorities-2019-2021-nsa.pdf

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## **Public Policy Issues**

If you would like to promote any of these **public policy issues**, contact Nan Scinta, Public Policy Vice President for AAUW NYS <a href="mailto:publicpolicy@aauw-nys.org">publicpolicy@aauw-nys.org</a>

- . The Abortion Supreme Court decision this will have great implications on low-income and young women trying to make their way economically
- If you have women in your branch or community who want to run for office in the upcoming primary in June, please invite them to your branch meetings, whether in person or on zoom. We need to support more women in all areas of government.
- 3. The ERA amendment is now being called the Equality Amendment.
- 4. The PowHer agenda items that will have priority have been sent to Governor Hochul and to legislative members in both houses. The top item on the list is Child Care access and affordability for all women, and especially those in the lower class and of color. Also, higher wages for Home and Long-Term Care workers will be a top priority in this legislative season. Many female workers in this industry have young children they cannot afford child care at their current low wages.

## Monthly Events

## Diversity & Inclusion Co-Director Anita Nahal

## Girls for STEM



Congratulations to our Diversity & InclusionCo-Director Anita Nahal, Ph.D.

on her most recent release of the American and Indian editions of my new nursery rhymes book, Cashew, Vashew & Other Nursery Rhymes!

Rhymes in the book are universal and would appeal to children all over the world. Some have been selected from my previous two books of nursery rhymes published way back in 1993 when my son was growing up. Anita's motherly experience with her son

prompted her to write the rhymes originally as she didn't wish to have him learn only the known ones. Some in the new book are based-on Cashew our furry family member!

The book was released just in time for Christmas! This creative book is a great gift for children's birthdays and everyday gifts! Beautifully and realistically illustrated with truly eye-catching images by Anjali Bhardwaj. Please check these out and order your copies for your kids, grandkids, students and feel free to share the links with those who have kids or teach in schools or work in libraries.



Indian edition: Authors Press, New Delhi, India (via Amazon Global) <a href="https://www.amazon.com/dp/B08OSK5TBM/ref=cm\_sw\_em\_r\_mt\_dp\_e206FbHG6">https://www.amazon.com/dp/B08OSK5TBM/ref=cm\_sw\_em\_r\_mt\_dp\_e206FbHG6</a> A816



American/Global edition: Politics and Prose, Washington DC https://www.politicsprose.com/ book/9781624293108

#### Girls for STEM Pictures! Cont'd











Girls for STEM 2023 Conference (formerly Explore Your Opportunities)

Date: TBD 9:00 am—12:00 pm

College of Mount Saint Vincent

#### Girls for STEM Workshops 10:30 am-12 noon

- **1. Brain Games.** Put on your thinking cap and learn to make a model brain cell while learning about all the mind-boggling things a brain can do from recognizing words and colors, to making memories, to controlling your movements. **Jenny Libien**, MD, PhD, Chair, Department of Pathology, State University of New York Downstate Medical Center, Brooklyn, NY
- **2.** Introduction to Creative Coding with PSIS. Students will get first-hand experience of just how much fun coding is! They will create a film poster using code. **Bolor Amgalan, MFA, MA, Adjunct Faculty at Parson School of Design.**
- **3. Survive the Zombie Apocalyse.** Learn to stop zombie disease from spreading. *Whitney Bagge, PhD, MPH, Disease Ecologist, Ecohealth Alliance*
- **4. Let's take a Cell-fie** Students will never look at the vegetable on their plate the same after this workshop. Vegetables and the plants they come from are composed of cells. These cells determine how the plant looks, feels, and tastes. In this workshop, we'll ask what do the cells look like? *Adrienne Roeder, PhD Biology, University of California, San Diego. Kate Harline, PhD Candidate, School of Integrative Plant Science, Cornell University*
- **5.** The Ethics of Al through the Colors in Art. Artificial Intelligence through music and art with the goal of cultivating Racial Equity in the Field of Al. We will explore the field of Al from its basics and create neural art and music. **Anika Puri**, Student Researcher, Horace Greeley High School, Founder of MoArt
- **6. Slide-ing into Cells.** If you sign up for this workshop, we will send you a lab kit with one foldable microscope and several slides of model organisms to observe. During the workshop, students will learn how to draw scientifically. There will also be an optional pre-session for reviewing how to assemble microscopes. *Aliya Fisher, Nicolas Kim, Stephen Ogunbiyi: Student Coordinators for Sparking Teen Research Interest for Diversity and Equity in Science (STRIDES), Bronx High School of Science*
- 7. Navigating COVID 19 in NYC. Students will use tableau to monitor and make their own predictions on Covid 19 data trends. Students will learn how to use data to better understand the impact of the pandemic across different socio-economic groups, age, and race. Elise Kohl, MBA, New York University, Stern School of Business-Grant. Kushi Shah, MA, in Development Psychology, Director of Data Solutions, Innovative Management Solutions, NY

Blizzard in a Bottle!



Lifting the Chemical Fingerprint

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## CALENDAR FOR AUGUST - DECEMBER 2022

Mappy	Fall

Day	Date	Time	Event (Great Decision Topics)
Thurs	08/25/22	5:30 pm - 7:00 pm	Achieve Financial Freedom Workshop. To register email: <a href="mailto:mellis@fsacap.com">mellis@fsacap.com</a>
Fri	08/26/22	5:30 pm -	Empire State NYC Branch 10 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration at the M Club. To reserve your seat email: <u>mellis@fsacap.com</u>
Mon	09/05/22		Labor Day
Thurs	09/29/22	5:30 pm - 7:00 pm	Life Design Zoom meeting
Mon	10/10/22		Columbus Day
Thurs	10/13/22	5:30 pm - 7:00 pm	Longevity Workshop: Redefining Yourself At Any Age. To register email: mellis@fsacap.com
Thurs	10/27/22	5:30 pm - 7:00 pm	Longevity Workshop: Redefining Yourself At Any Age. To register email: mellis@fsacap.com
Tues	11/08/22		Election Day
Thurs	11/10/22	5:30 pm - 7:00 pm	Longevity Workshop: Redefining Yourself At Any Age. To register email: mellis@fsacap.com
Thurs	11/24/22		Thanksgiving Day
Thurs	12/08/22	5:30 pm - 7:00 pm	Longevity Workshop: Redefining Yourself At Any Age. To register email: mellis@fsacap.com
Sun	12/18-26/22		Hanukkah begings/ends at Sundown
Sun	12/25/22		Christmas Day
Mon	12/26/22		Kwanzaa Begins
Sat	12/31/22		New Year's Eve

Note: To participate in the events, email mellis@fsacap.com for access. Thank you!

Thank You for Your Donation to the AAUW Funds!



Evvie Currie Giving Circle \$100.00, Margaret Currie Unrestricted LAF Support \$100.00, Maria Ellis LAF Fund \$100, Dr. C.S. Rani Tech Trek Fund \$20.00. Heidi Parreño AAUW Fund \$20.00. Elaine Fenton





AAUW Student Organizations are composed of students enrolled in college who are interested in AAUW issues and programs. To start your own Student Organization at your college, email Maria at mellis@fsacap.com

Members interested in scheduling an event/meeting for the branch please contact the Program VP to reserve dates and confirm before publicizing the event/meeting.

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Achieve Financial Freedom Workshop August 25

**Empire State NYC Branch 10th Anniversary** Celebration Friday, August 26 The M Club 5:30 pm -

> Life Design Zoom meeting Thurs, September 29 5:30-7:00 pm

Longevity Workshop: Redefining Yourself At Any Age Thursdays October 13, 27; November 10 December 8

5:30-7:00 pm

Branch Membership Empire State NYC

#### Join or renew your membership with AAUW Empire State NYC Branch!

AAUW national dues are \$62, AAUW NYS dues are \$13.00, and the Empire State Virtual Branch dues are \$5.00. The branch dues year is July 1 to June 30, and if you join now, your membership is good through June 30, 2023 See the various memberships below and to join, please visit our website at http://empire-ny.aauw.net/membership/

- § Not currently a member of AAUW: \$80 (\$62 for national dues, \$13 for NYS; \$5 for Empire)
- § Current branch member: \$5 for a dual membership
- § Current member-at-large: \$18 (\$13 for NYS; \$5 for Empire)
- § Current student member: \$17 a year (if college is not an AAUW member)
- Current student member on an AAUW NY member campus: Free
- Graduate Student: member \$18.81 per year
- § Primary Member & Donor for \$100 a year including a generous contribution of \$20

## Membership:

To join or renew your membership, please contact Maria Ellis at mellis@fsacap.com

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Members will kindly send in their articles for the Empire Times at the beginning of each quarter (January 7, April 7, July 7, October 7) to mellis@fsacap.com & csrani.rani@gmail.com. Send your ideas and letters to Maria Ellis and C.S. Rani, Ph.D.

#### **AAUW EMPIRE STATE NYC BRANCH**

#### Officers & Directors-at-Large

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