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Message from Richard Buggs, Dean of Alumni

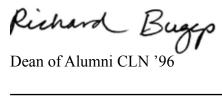
Dear Alums,

I had the pleasure of traveling with a group of CIIS alums and friends to Southeast Asia over the winter holiday break. Our journey began with an exploration of the ancient Khmer empire at Angkor Wat in Cambodia, where we marveled at the lush jungle temples, ancient stone carvings, and life on Tonle Sap Lake. The tour continued north to Luang Prabang, Laos, and then with a leisurely long boat tour up the Mekong River to the Pak Ou Caves, crammed full of statues of the Buddha in a multitude of colors, shapes, and sizes, left by Buddhist pilgrims over the past 100 years. North of Hanoi, we sailed on a Vietnamese junk through Halong Bay and visited some of the 2,000 islands scattered throughout the region. Our tour continued with cooking classes in lovely Hoi An, lit at night with colored silk lanterns. We ended with the excitement of Ho Chi Minh City's busy street life.

I hope you will join us on our next CIIS adventure—Southern India—in early 2013.



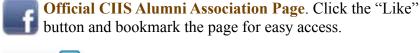
monks, and Alumni on Halong Bay



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PRESIDENT SUBBIONDO ON SPIRITUALITY ON CAMPUS



article in *About Campus*, a journal of the ACPA-College Student Educators International. The article, "Spirituality on Campus: The Emergence of a Postsecular Age in American Higher Education," appeared in the November/December 2011 issue.

CIIS President Joseph L. Subbiondo published an

CIIS EVENTS

NEUROSCIENCE FOR CLINICAL PRACTICE A Relational-Somatic Perspective on the Neurology and Psychophysiology of Awareness, Regulation, Cognition, Affect,

Somatic Psychology Program presents

Embodiment, and Attachment Friday and Saturday, March 2 and 3, 2012 Hotel Shattuck Plaza, Berkeley

Registration form and more information available online or for

information, please contact Mark Ludwig, LCSW, 415.575.6197 or mludwig@ciis.edu

UPCOMING ALUMNI ACTIVITIES





sponsor an expressive arts training group workshop through the Living Arts Counseling Center, 5463 College Avenue, Oakland. CEUs available. To register or for information, meridethbowenshamszad@livingartscenter.org

Meredith Shamszad (EXA '08) and

CIIS faculty Armand Volkas will

Nicki Koethner (EXA '04) will hold sacred mask-making workshops at Terras Temple, 645 Oakland Ave., Oakland on 2/25,

3/24, and 4/21/2012. Call 510.779.2842, or email nkoethnermft@yahoo.com. www.express-explore-expand.com

Mireya Alejo Marcet (EXA '03) will hold an upcoming women's series, "Tending the Fire," on Tuesday evenings from 7:00PM-9:30PM in

contact Mireya at 510.594.4030, or www.almaquecanta.com, or mireyaam@gmail.com. Roni Alperin (PDT '11) will host a workshop at the Living Arts Counseling Center: "The Third and Beyond: Healing the Wounds of Third Generation

Holocaust Survivors" on the first Sunday of every

Berkeley and Oakland. For more information,

month at The Space, 926 Dwight Way, Suite 10A, Berkeley. For information contact Roni Alperin at ronialp@gmail.com or 510.595.5500, ext. 16.



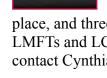
www.ronialperin.com

Michael Murphy Loeffler (CLN '12) and Dan Scharlack (ICP '10) are leading the workshop "Embodied Intuition: Practices from Nondual Wisdom Traditions and Jungian Psychology to Bring Deeper Wisdom into our Daily Lives" on Saturday, March 10, and Sunday, March 11, 9:30AM-4:30PM,

information: http://embodiedintuition.wordpress.com/ Kartik Patel (PAR '98) will hold a workshop on "Planning, Implementing, and Managing Online Programs" at the WASC Academic Resource Conference, April 18–20 in Costa Mesa CA.

Golden Gate Integral Counseling Center (507 Polk St.). For more

For registration information, please go to: http://www.wascarc.org/workshop/w09 Cynthia Morrow (ICP '95, EXA CER '95) is coleading "Mojave Wilderness Vision Fast: Awakening



day ceremony involves four days of preparation, four days and nights of fasting alone in a wilderness place, and three days of incorporation. 32 CEUs available for LMFTs and LCSWs. For more information and registration, please contact Cynthia at 415.221.6373 or cynthia@earthways.info.



HEALING JOURNEY TO JOHN OF GOD Mytrae Meliana (ICP '06) is leading a healing journey to John of God, a spiritual healer in

the Inner Fire" from May 9-19, 2012. The eleven-

Abadiania, Brazil from June 18–30, 2012. Experience first-hand the extraordinary healing gifts offered by this world-renowned medium.

Informational meetings will be held in San Francisco on February 9

ALUMNI EVENTS

ALUMNI UNIVERSITY LECTURE **SERIES: SPRING 2012**

RSVP for all events at http://alumni.ciis.edu/events \$15 donation benefits the Alumni Scholarship Fund All lectures/workshops held at CIIS Main Building, 1453 Mission Street, San Francisco



Marguerite Rigoglioso (WSE '01, HUM '08) **Awakening to the Cosmic Womb:** Reclaiming Earth and Universe as Virgin Mothers Thursday, February 23, 7:00PM-9:30PM,

Room 308



Kirby Surprise (CLN '07) **How Synchronicity Works:** The Influence of Perception on Coincidence and Chance, Change, and Freeing your Mind Thursday, March 1, 6:30PM-9:00PM, Room 308

Sarah Noyes (TLD '08)

Networking Strategies that

and Danea Horn



Ensure Success Thursday, March 15, 6:30PM-9:00PM, Room 308 Workshop: Saturday, March 17, 2012, 11:00AM-4:00PM, Room 425 (4th floor board room) Additional \$65 fee applies for workshop



(EXA '09) **Using Guided Imagery to Tap** into Your Infinite Potential Thursday, March 29, 6:30PM-

Elena Hull (EXA '04) and Allison Talis

Amanda Elo'esh Johnsen

NEW YORK CITY CIIS EVENT!!



From Darkness to Light: A theoretical and experiential workshop for therapists and healing professionals working with adult survivors of childhood sexual abuse Saturday, March 31, 10:00AM-4:00PM Limited scholarships available for CIIS graduates

247 West 36th Street, 6th floor New York NY 10018

To RSVP or for information go to http://alumni.ciis.edu/events Dan Ellenberg (COU '89)

OneSpirit Learning Alliance



212.931.6840

Authentic Openness Friday, April 20, 6:30PM-9:00PM, Room 311 SAN FRANCISCO ALUMNI EVENT Robert J. Barnhart in Conversation

The Transformative Power of

with Frank Echenhoffer Film Screening: *The Medicine*: Science & Psychedelics Friday, April 6, 7:00PMN-9:00PM CIIS Main Building, Namaste Hall **CLASS NOTES**

George Taylor (ICP '91) recently

gave a training for at the



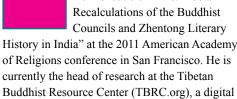
Community Institute for Psychotherapy in San Rafael on "Couples, Alcohol, and Recovery." The Marin chapter of California Marriage and Family Therapists published his article on the

recovery-article-1.html Patty Dobrowolski (PDT '95) has a new book, Drawing Solutions: How Visual Goal-Setting Will Change Your Life. For more information go to:

http://upyourcreativegenius.com.

same topic: http://www.georgetaylormft.com/

Christina Olague (BAC '05) was appointed by Mayor Ed Lee to the San Francisco Board of Supervisors to represent District 5. She is currently the senior housing action collaborative coordinator at the Senior Action Network (SAN), an umbrella coalition of more than 150 member organizations representing more than 30,000 seniors and persons with disabilities.



Recalculations of the Buddhist Councils and Zhentong Literary History in India" at the 2011 American Academy of Religions conference in San Francisco. He is currently the head of research at the Tibetan

Michael Sheehy (ACS '02 and '07)

presented a paper on "A Buddhist

Hermeneutic of Time: Tibetan

library of Tibetan literature. In the spring, he is moving to Cambridge, Massachusetts, where TBRC is forming an affiliation with Harvard University. **Hugh Groocock** (ICP '07) is building his practice as a licensed psychotherapist in Hayes Valley in



Ed Kaitz (ACS '08) received tenure in the philosophy department of Northern Idaho College at Coeur d'Alene, Idaho in 2010.

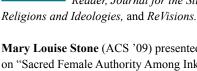
Robert Mullen (BIS '07, ACS '08)

is working on his PhD on the life

and work of Michael Murphy, and has published articles in the Mithras

Reader, Journal for the Study of

San Francisco, while continuing his career as a real estate agent with



Mary Louise Stone (ACS '09) presented a paper on "Sacred Female Authority Among Inkas: Hurin Moeity" on the Native Traditions in America panel at the 2011 American Academy of Religions

To send a class note, please email Richard Buggs (CLN, '96). If you include a photo, please send a high resolution image.

Conference in San Francisco. Her book chapter titled "An Andean Paradigm of Mothering" was

published in An Anthropology of Mothering.