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Alumni Association Events



Dean of Alumni Richard Buggs

Message from Richard Buggs, Dean of Alumni

I had the pleasure of traveling to Vancouver with President Joseph Subbiondo for our Alumni Networking Party on Friday, February 27, 2015. We gathered at the Water Street Cafe right across from the famous Vancouver Steam Clock. It was a delight to share memories and discuss the growth of CIIS.

Richard Buggs

CLN, '96



[Thursday, March 5, 2015 at 7 PM](#)

**Empowering Women's Voices
and Activism in Higher
Education with Filmmaker,
Debora Santana, MA**



Renovation of the First Floor

Since late fall, CIIS has been renovating our first floor and lobby. The Lobby construction phase has completed its last major hurdle: we have rented out our two tenant spaces, installed steel framing for our new window storefront and are currently applying finishes to our lobby area that will include a newly-created first floor gender neutral restroom area.

The lobby will be open for foot traffic mid-March, with final key elements in place by Founder's Day in April. Once completed, our lobby space will quadruple in size and will allow room for art gallery salons and varied events on the first floor.

Upcoming Alumni Activities



Jeanne Foss Swaine, MA, LMFT (ICP, '12) is facilitating a women's group entitled, "Navigating Self Judgement". For details, check her [website](#)



[Friday, March 6, 2015 at 7 PM](#)

Join Us! Jaime Cortez and Truong Tran to Launch the New Gallery at CIIS!



CIIS Founders Symposium 2015
Save the Date!

Please save the date and join us for the annual Founders Symposium on Friday, April 24, 2015. Presenters include CIIS students, alumni, faculty and special guests. This year's themes include:

- *Unity, Diversity and Community
- *Honoring the Divine Mother, the Earth, and *Divine Consciousness
- *Ecotheology, Ecopsychology, and Ecofeminism
- *Integral and Transpersonal Psychology



Ben Rivers(PDT, '11) is offering two 4-day drama therapy workshops entitled "From Witness to Action" and "Circle of Resonance" this summer in Cairo, Egypt, where he resides.

For more information, contact Travis Diruzza at tdiruzza@ciis.edu

This event is free and open to the public



Journey to Morocco Awaits You! May 20, - 31, 2015 Join us as we witness the Fes World Festival of Sacred Music. www.ciis.edu/travel



Vivian Dzyak(EWP, '98/WSE, '07) is the owner of [E-magine Journeys](http://E-magineJourneys.com), which is a socially conscious travel company. Join her next exciting trip to Tuscany Fall 2015.



Cuba: The People, Art & Music October 25, 2015 - November 1, 2015. We will have an unique opportunity to explore Havana, Trinidad and Cienfuegos before it is open to US travel.

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Amy Bunn (ICP, '04) is proud to announce a new website for her San Francisco practice



specializing in parenting,
abuse recovery, crises &
transitions. She has also
served as Adjunct Faculty in
the CMH and ICP Programs.
For more information visit:
<http://www.amybunmft.com>.

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