

Class notes

1970

Russell Dupont '71 was selected for inclusion in *Jerry Jazz Musician* for his poem, "jazz at the Point." Additionally, three of Dupont's poems were published in the *Poetry Porch*, an online literary magazine.

Mike Gorman '70, NBC Sports Boston and Boston Celtics play-by-play announcer, retired after 43 years of calling Boston Celtics games. Gorman holds the longest tenure as play-by-play voice for a Boston professional sports franchise. His extensive career as a play-by-play announcer spans *Big Monday* on ESPN in the 1980s, NCAA basketball tournaments on CBS, and NBA playoffs on TNT. He also covered basketball at the 2016 Rio Olympics for NBC and served as a tennis correspondent alongside Bud Collins during the 1992 Olympics.

Maureen Marx '74 retired as the longtime head librarian of the Charlestown Branch of the Boston Public Library and was honored by the Friends of the Charlestown Branch Library in June 2024. In her role as head librarian, Marx strengthened ties to the Charlestown community, further developing children's services and supporting teachers; all while building the library's book collection.

Gina McCarthy '76, the first White House National Climate Advisor and former U.S. Environmental Protection Agency administrator, was named the recipient of the American Council on Renewable Energy's (ACORE's) 2024 Lifetime Achievement Award. ACORE is a national nonprofit organization that unites finance, policy, and technology to accelerate clean energy transition.

1980

Julie Berberian '88 made history as the first female athletic director at Worcester Academy. She served as the associate athletics director since 1996, bringing nearly three decades of experience to her new role.

Stephen Collins '81 performed in *Sailing Towards My Father*, a one-man play about Herman Melville, presented by the Berkshire County Historical Society and written and directed by Carl A. Rossi. Collins teaches seminars on Walt Whitman, Thomas Hardy, William Shakespeare, Robert Frost, and contemporary poetry. He also works as a professionally licensed tour guide, narrating historical tours of Boston.

Carole Hughes '83 was elected as the 2024–2026 director of the Region for the Advisory Board of the National Association of Student Personnel Administrators.

Joseph Kaplan '82 was elected secretary of the Massachusetts Democratic Committee.

1990

Lana Hechtman Ayers '91 published *The Autobiography of Rain*, a collection of poems that explore the healing power of nature in a world that is as rife with grief as it is ripe with beauty. The collection was nominated for the National Book Award.

Kurt Eidsvig '99 published his fifth book, *Drowning Girl*, with Unsolicited Press.

Mara Nuon '93, '07, who owns Wellesley Bakery, recently celebrated the bakery's 30-year anniversary. When Nuon was a young teenager, his family fled widespread violence in Cambodia

and settled in Stoughton, where school was the top priority. While working as a chemical engineer, he opened the bakery as an income stream and a way to ensure that family members would always have a job, eventually moving full-time into operating the bakery.

John C. Picardi's '93 had a painting, *Explosion of Color*, featured in an art exhibit at the Hingham Public Library.

Elaine Ward '99, G'02, EdD'10 was promoted to professor of higher education in the Winston School of Education and Social Policy at Merrimack College. Ward was also appointed to the Board of Directors for the United Way Massachusetts Bay.

2000

Lucia Campriello G'06 was named president and CEO at Hula, a technology coworking campus, business accelerator, and venture capital fund focused on elevating Vermont-based start-ups and entrepreneurs. Campriello joined Hula in September 2023 to develop and drive strategic initiatives to extend the organization's impact. Prior to joining the company, she served as chief engagement officer at Let's Grow Kids, where she helped marshal the support of over 300 Vermont business and community leaders to pass the ground breaking Child Care Bill (Act 76).

Jaime Curley CER'06 was named assistant superintendent of student services at the Old Rochester Regional School District. Curley previously served as the director of special education services for the Mashpee Public School District beginning in 2017. Prior to that, she worked in multiple roles – including director of pupil services and school psychologist – for the Dennis-Yarmouth Regional School District across a span of 10 years.

Guy D'Annolfo G'04 received the Wil Mills Chapbook Award from the West Chester University Poetry Center and Moonstone's Annual Chapbook Contest for his chapbook *Late Winter & Early Spring in the Arboretum* (Moonstone Arts).

Ana Dapkas '06 has been appointed school resource officer for the Acton Police Department. Detective Dapkas brings 11 years of patrol service and over five years of experience working as a caseworker in the Department of Child and Family Services. In her new role, she will maintain a safe and secure environment at the schools and during special events, provide counsel and guidance to school administrators regarding school safety, build positive relationships with students and staff, and provide safety presentations and programs.

Jonathan Fitzgerald G'05 was appointed associate professor and coordinator of the professional writing program at Salem State University.

Maura Giles-Watson G'02 published *Performing Arguments: A Study of Debate in Early English Poetry and Drama*. Drawing from her research and insights, Giles-Watson explores Middle English debate poetry, 15th-century plays, and select Shakespearean works. The study also examines rhetorical and performance theories and practices contemporary with the early texts and genres explored.

Elizabeth Henries '02, founder and CEO of Henries PLLC, was recognized by *The Upside* for her firm's reinvention of the law firm model.

Warren Hynes G'03 was appointed principal of Scotch Plains-Fanwood High School. He previously served as an assistant principal at Westfield High School. Prior to that, he taught English



B. Stephanie Siegmann '94 was named to *Massachusetts Lawyers Weekly's* 2024 "Go To Lawyers" list for her exceptional work in cybersecurity and data privacy law. With more than 25 years of trial experience, Siegmann specializes in handling high-stakes investigations and enforcement proceedings. She currently serves as a litigation partner at Hinckley Allen, where she is chair of the International Trade & National Security group and co-chair of the Cybersecurity, Privacy & Data Protection group. Previously, she spent 18 years as a national security prosecutor, most recently as national security chief at the U.S. Attorney's Office for the District of Massachusetts.

and journalism at Westfield for 14 years and was an advisor for the school's newspaper, community service club, and peer-mentoring programs.

Amanda Murphy G'04 was named the new Danvers Great Oak Elementary School principal after serving in the same position at Marblehead's Village School for the past eight years.

Richard Musiol Jr. G'00 joined Vineyard Offshore as director of external affairs and community engagement. In this role, Musiol will spearhead community engagement efforts across Vineyard Offshore's operations on both the East and West Coasts.

Nicholas Stewart '09, G'13 published a book based on his personal struggles with insomnia, titled *Sleep Fitness: The Top Ten Sleep Facts That Matter!*

Nick Zaremba's '01 solo exhibition, *Whimsy and Wonderment*, showcased a vibrant collection of paintings, drawings, pottery, and wood sculptures at the Alias Gallery in Orleans, MA. Zaremba's creative process, which embraces spontaneity and happy accidents, results in artworks that are both playful and profound. His use of bold colors, dynamic forms, and intricate lines creates compositions that invite viewers to see the world through a lens of curiosity and delight.

2010

Emily Calnan Adams G'18 received the 2024 Massachusetts State Universities Educator Alumni Award. Recipients of this award are acknowledged for their teaching excellence, especially in the face of challenging situations, in addition to their contributions to the communities in which they live and work. Adams teaches all levels of chemistry at Rockland High School, including college preparatory, honors, and advanced

placement. In addition, she serves as advisor to a senior independent study program at Rockland High.

Kevin J. Bonnett G'15 was promoted to vice president and director at GT Reilly & Company, a CPA firm in the Greater Boston area. Bonnett provides audit, tax, and consulting services to privately held businesses, including manufacturers and distributors as well as financial institutions and nonprofit organizations.

Cristina A. Brinkerhoff '11, G'14 was appointed a full-time lecturer in the Macro Social Work Department at Boston University School of Social Work. Previously, Brinkerhoff served as director of research, evaluation, and development at the Brazilian Worker Center in Boston, where she made substantial contributions to the community.

Nate Bryant EdD'16 was recognized as a 2024 Black Excellence on the Hill honoree by the Massachusetts Black

and Latino Caucus. He is vice president of student services at Salem State University and has over 35 years of experience working in higher education. Bryant has also served as vice president and chief of staff at Salem State University and interim president of North Shore Community College. He was also recently elected to the Salem Pantry Board of Directors.

Eliza Cassella G'18 was named assistant principal at Salem Collins Middle School. Previously, she was the director of social and emotional learning, culture, and climate at the middle school.

Moriah Cummings '16 joined Mirick O'Connell as an associate in the Real Estate and Environmental Law Group at the firm's Worcester office. Prior to joining Mirick O'Connell, Cummings was an analyst working in compliance and affordable housing finance for the Massachusetts Housing Partnership.

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Tara DeSisto '10 was appointed development director for the New England Legal Foundation. During her time at UMass Boston, DeSisto served as elected student representative for the UMass Board of Trustees.

Natasha Goss '16, G'21, CER'21 published her first children's book, *Ace Talks About Feelings and Emotions*. Throughout the book, Ace teaches readers about twelve different emotions – including the seven most common and biggest emotions: happiness, sadness, disgust, fear, anger, surprise and embarrassment – as he navigates them with the help of his mother and grandmother. Goss is a facilitator for Champions Network at Doc Wayne Youth Services, a nonprofit innovator of sport-based mental health therapy that has helped hundreds of thousands of youth worldwide.

Annie Imperato G'13 joined Boston University's Computing & Data Sciences team in August 2024 as its student success specialist. In this role, Imperato advises and assists online students on their path to degree completion.

Shannon Moore G'11 was appointed vice president of Commonwealth Counsel, a full-service public affairs consulting firm. In her role, Moore focuses on developing tailored strategies that align with client objectives and guides them through Massachusetts' complex legislative process to achieve optimal results.

Eleanor Martinez Proctor G'14, a research fellow at Historic New England, appeared at Ventfort Hall in August 2024 to discuss the lives of estate workers during the Gilded Age. Martinez Proctor has worked for three years at Historic New England, uncovering the lives of workers and women at the Eustis Estate. From this research, she helped create several new programs, including a regular tour that

explores Gilded Age working-class life, as well as the David Chesnut Jazz Festival, which brought together musicians, historians, and the local community to honor the musical traditions of one working family.

Andrew Rebello CER'16 was recognized as the Massachusetts School Administrators' Association High School Principal of the Year. He is serving in his fourth year as the assistant superintendent-principal at Diman Regional Vocational Technical High School. Rebello's journey in education includes leadership and administrative roles in Boston Public Schools and Fall River Public Schools. In 2023, Rebello received the prestigious Milken Educator Award.

Jonas Roessel '14 was named to the *Boston Business Journal's* 40 Under 40 list. Honorees work in a wide variety of fields, including life sciences, banking, health care, venture capital, and nonprofits. Roessel is the founding and managing partner of Roessel Joy LLC, a talent acquisition firm in the Greater Boston area.

Jovanny Rosado '18 was promoted to vice president at Denterlein, a PR firm in Boston. Rosado leads strategic communications and media relations for several of Denterlein's largest clients. He grew up in Puerto Rico, is fluent in English and Spanish, and previously led communications for a Boston nonprofit. He draws on his rich diversity of experience to craft creative, multilingual solutions and powerful storytelling to support his clients.

Emily True '15 was appointed senior global sustainability manager at Pizza Hut earlier this year. True earned her bachelor in environmental science from UMass Boston and is using her expertise to elevate Pizza Hut's commitment to sustainability with the brand's Recipe for Good strategy.

Benjamin Whelihan '15 joined the New Hampshire Department of Military Affairs and Veterans Services as the New Hampshire State Approving Agency (SAA) for veteran education benefits. The SSA's primary function is to review, evaluate, and approve quality

educational and training programs for veteran's benefits. Whelihan joined DMAVS from Northeastern University in Boston, where he was a veteran services specialist responsible for certifying programming and assisting military-connected students.

Matthew Nestor G'95 was appointed to the Massachusetts Superior Court by Governor Maura Healey. Currently, he serves as an associate justice on the District Court, where he has presided over his own courtroom for nearly two decades. Nestor's legal career began as a civil litigator, followed by his role as an assistant district attorney in Suffolk County. He then advanced to the position of deputy secretary of the Commonwealth, where he oversaw the Securities Division before being appointed to the bench.





Phillip Gonzalez G'01 was named president and CEO of the MetroWest Health Foundation in 2024. A distinguished national leader in health philanthropy, Gonzalez brings a wealth of experience in spearheading innovative initiatives in health and health care policy. His career includes leadership roles at renowned organizations such as the Point32Health Foundation, the Blue Cross Blue Shield of Massachusetts Foundation, and Community Catalyst inspiring social change.



Rozanna Penney '06 was named to the *Worcester Business Journal's* 2024 Power 100 list. As president and CEO of Heywood Healthcare in Gardner, MA, she has been instrumental in guiding the health care system through financial challenges. Under her leadership, surgical services and newborn deliveries have significantly increased, and Heywood reopened its inpatient mental health unit. Penney also joined the Board of Trustees of the Massachusetts Health & Hospital Association in January 2024.

2020

Miyabi Armstrong '21 was promoted to senior staff accountant in the Audit Department at Gray, Gray & Gray, LLP.

Megan Dixon '23 was named head women's basketball coach at Dean College.

Madison Foley '23 was named Dorchester Liaison in the Office of Neighborhood Services by Mayor Michelle Wu. The Office of Neighborhood Services is integral in connecting residents to city services and resources.

Bansari Kamdar G'21 was named Europe, Middle East and Africa editor for the Reuters Global Markets Forum. She previously was a markets

correspondent in India and wrote reports on equities, bonds, and currencies. Prior to Reuters, she reported for *The Diplomat*, *The Boston Globe*, *Conversation*, *Huffington Post*, and others. Kamdar is trained as an economist and was the winner of the Arthur MacEwan Award for Excellence in Political Economy.

Cynthia Orellana PhD'23 was appointed president and CEO at Mass Mentoring Partnership.

Anna Net '22 was appointed campaign manager of councilor-at-large and candidate for state representative Hong Net.

Caroline Peters CER'22 was appointed Jamaica Plain Liaison within the Office of Neighborhood Services by Mayor Michelle Wu. ONS is integral in connecting residents to city services and resources.

Kelsey Soares CER'23 joined Southcoast Health Oncology. She received her post-master's certificate from UMass Boston to become a family nurse practitioner.

Maria Vasco '20, founder of Uvida Shop, Boston's premier zero-waste store, is set to reopen its original location in the North End neighborhood. Uvida began with just three products and now has hundreds, along with a strong local zero-waste community that gathers for seasonal events like Uvida's wildly popular clothing swaps.