

Bits & Pieces



Artist-in-Residence Derek Bermel in Wolfensohn Hall

Writers Conversation

Friday, October 8, 5:30 p.m.

Dilworth Room

As part of the Artist-in-Residence program, the Institute will host a poets panel featuring Thomas Sayers Ellis, Suji Kwock Kim, Tracy K. Smith, and Wendy S. Walters. No tickets required.

Public Lectures

Wednesday, October 13, 4:30 p.m.

Friday, October 22, 4:30 p.m.

Friday, October 29, 6:00 p.m.

Public lectures are free; no tickets are required. On Wednesday, **October 13**, Noga Alon, Visiting Professor in the School of Mathematics, will speak in Wolfensohn Hall about voting paradoxes and combinatorics. On Friday, **October 29**, Enrico Bombieri, Professor in the School of Mathematics, will speak in Wolfensohn

Hall about different notions of truth in mathematics.

On Friday, **October 22**, Lothar von Falkenhäusen, Professor of the History of Art at the University of California, Los Angeles, will speak in West Building Lecture Hall about archaeological perspectives on ethnicity in ancient China.

Edward T. Concert Series

Friday, November 5, and

Saturday, November 6

8 p.m., Wolfensohn Hall

Borromeo String Quartet with guest artists Derek Bermel, clarinet; Paul Neubauer, viola; and Fred Sherry, cello. Free and open to the public, but tickets are required; visit www.ias.edu/air.

Reading Group

Friday mornings in the Activities Center

from **10:00–11:45 a.m.**, we gather to read

and discuss short stories.

The group is informal and participants are encouraged to take turns reading aloud from the passages. Many people whose first language is not English enjoy this opportunity to not only hear but to read English. Helen Goddard and Linda Geraci will lead the group for the first three sessions, beginning **October 1**. We will finish prior to the yoga start time, which also begins on October 1. Coffee and light refreshments are available. No reservation is necessary.

Eightieth Anniversary Exhibit

A series of black-and-white photographs depicting the life, work, and culture of the Institute is now on view as part of the our 80th Anniversary celebrations. The photographs are on display in Fuld Hall and along the hallway adjacent to the Dilworth Room in the Dining Hall, and will be up through Sunday, November 14.

After Hours Conversations

After Hours Conversations provides a forum for inter-School conversations in an informal and relaxed environment. The conversations will be held on Mondays and Thursdays and will feature brief talks by Institute Faculty, Members, Visitors, and Staff followed by discussion, drinks, and more conversation. This term, Professors Caroline Bynum and Helmut Hofer will moderate the sessions. The program begins October 4, and the entire Institute community, including spouses and partners, is encouraged to attend. Please join us from 5:15 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. in Harry's Bar, located on the top level of the Dining Hall. For more information, including a list of speakers, please visit www.ids.ias.edu/after-hours-conversations. To receive announcements of upcoming talks by email, please contact Dawn Dunbar at ddunbar@ias.edu.



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Please send comments or contributions for this publication to tati@ias.edu.

Founded in 1974, the Association of Members of the Institute for Advanced Study (AMIAS) is the organization of scholars and researchers who are current or former Members of or Visitors to the Institute. Its central purpose is to support the mission of the Institute and to continue for future generations the opportunities for independent, undistracted scholarship that AMIAS members have experienced.

Halloween and other Fall Activities

Brig Gebert writes:

If you only moved across the Delaware River, this article might not be for you (but I do include some cool events in this area); however, if you arrived from a different part of the world, this is a must-read. **October 31** is officially Halloween. There are many fall activities and specific Halloween events during the whole month of October. Please refer to the box below about how Institute children may celebrate Halloween.

Depending on your own age and that of your child or children, not all events will be of interest to you. But your school-age children will have at least one parade in their respective schools where they absolutely need a costume (with the exception of high school). It could be something as easy as a bucket, a long stick, a raincoat, and boots (for a fisherman or woman).

In the past, I have experienced Halloween with snow flurries and as warm as a mild summer night. So, plan your costumes in layers. Depending on your interest in dressing up, the fall, or the arts, here are some nice activities to choose from:

Princeton Arts Council is sponsoring the *Annual Home Town Halloween Parade* on **Friday, October 29**, at 5:00 p.m. in downtown Princeton and *Spooky Saturday* on **Saturday, October 30**, from 2:00-4:00 p.m. at the Princeton University Art Museum. For more information and to reserve tickets where necessary, visit www.artscouncilofprinceton.org.

Terhune Orchards has five weekends reserved for *Fall Family Fun*. The website www.terhuneorchards.com gives you directions and more information on the activities.

A nice list of haunted hay-



A traditional carved pumpkin

rides can be found at www.funnj.com and a list of haunted houses all over the state at www.funnewjersey.com.

Peddler's Village (a worthwhile trip in itself) has its annual scarecrow competition and display that started in September and runs until **October 29** (http://peddlersvillage.com/special_events/scarecrow.htm).

Whatever you do, enjoy the fall in and around Princeton and keep your camera handy as this is, in my mind, the most colorful season of all.

Institute Celebrates Halloween

To help the IAS children celebrate Halloween, we will have a pumpkin decorating party on **Saturday, October 23**, at **10:00 a.m.** in the Activities Center. We will supply the pumpkins and the paints and the children will supply their imaginations. On **Sunday, October 31**, at **5:45 p.m.**, the children will meet again at the Activities Center to receive glow-in-the-dark necklaces and to begin their trick-or-treating. If you would like to receive our ghosts, witches, princesses, and superheroes, please pick up a paper pumpkin from the laundry area bulletin board and hang it on your outside door on October 31. For the safety of the children, it is important that the treats be sealed in their original packaging.



Local Walks

Helen Goddard writes:

The landscape is very varied within the Princeton neighborhood and there is a great number of walks that you can take.

The Woods: You can start by ambling through the Institute Woods. If you walk straight down from the Fuld Hall Common Room, past the pond on your right, you will enter the Woods just where the



The swinging bridge in the Institute Woods

path leads straight down to the swinging bridge. See photo with some of this year's intrepid explorers. Take the map of the Woods with you and follow any number of different possibilities. If you go westwards, you can explore the Quaker settlement and see the gravestone of Robert Stockton, a signer of the Declaration of Independence. In the same general area, you can visit the Battlefield with the Clarke farmhouse where

the wounded General Mercer spent his last days. This has limited opening hours but it is free and well worth going inside. Across Mercer Street, still on the Battlefield, do visit the memorial to the soldiers on both the British and the American side and read the very moving inscription. No, I won't reproduce it here, go and see for yourselves!

If, however, you venture across the swinging bridge, you can follow a rather obscure footpath to a branch of the Stony Brook River and venture across it with caution. The old stepping stones have been flooded by the demise of a large tree which dammed the water and you have to shimmy across the tree trunk. Then clamber up the embankment and you will find yourself on the towpath which is a whole

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other adventure (see below). Instead, if you turn left, or eastwards, before the swinging bridge, you will come to the Rogers Wildlife Refuge with its two bird observation platforms. The Woods and Refuge are home to over forty different bird species all year round, swelling to more than two hundred during the migration seasons. Continuing in this general direction will get you onto the unpaved road through the woods and will connect you with Alexander Road, the canal, and the towpath.

The Towpath: Walking along the towpath in a northerly direction will give you the most immediate scenes of interest. It takes you under the Dinky railway bridge with its cog wheels and alongside Lake Carnegie where you can see the canal carried over a branch of the lake where the Millstone River joins the Stony Brook. The lake was artificially created and opened in 1906 to provide a place for students to row and after a long walk you will come to the weir, and just beyond that the lock, the lock keeper's house, and the village of Kingston where you can stop and rest and eat! A bicycle is best if you plan to go any distance and will get you more quickly to Rockingham House where General Washington stayed for nearly three months waiting to hear whether the Treaty of Paris giving Independence to the fledgling America had been signed.

Cycling along the towpath in the opposite direction will allow you to reach Whole Foods, Staples, and Market Fair (go over the first bridge south of Alexander Road) and you can even reach the Trenton Farmers Market, which is eight miles south of Princeton along Mercer Street/Princeton Pike, by going most of the way along the towpath.

Marquand Park: A close spot that merits a walk is Marquand Park, an arboretum with an interesting history located just off Lovers Lane, a continuation of Olden Lane. A booklet, with map, that lists the trees and gives botanical details can be purchased from the Historical Society at 158 Nassau Street. This park also has a playground with a large sandpit that children enjoy.

I suggest that you buy the little "Walk the Trails" booklet by Sophie Glover, available in many locations in Princeton. It

features nine walks in the Princeton area but some really need a bike to get to the starting point otherwise you'll have no energy left for your walk. It also describes a further seven walks in nearby townships.

In Town: Apart from these rural walks there are many urban places of interest to visit on foot.

On Wednesdays at lunchtime, you can visit Drumthwacket (www.drumthwacket.org), the home of the governor, or Morven House, which is much more accessible and is the **former** home of New Jersey governors (www.historicmorven.org). Both of these are on Stockton Street. Drumthwacket is west of Lovers Lane and Morven lies to the east, close to Nassau Street. In town, check out Bainbridge House with its organized historical walks (www.princetonhistory.org); the cemetery with several famous people buried there located just past the Public Library; the campus with its Orange Key Tours run by students; its excellent Art Museum; huge University Chapel with gargoyles; and stunning Cotsen library for children. Younger children will love the "tree" in there.

Princeton is small but it has a lot to offer, and I will leave you to make your own further discoveries. Try looking online at the Mercer Hill district (www.mercerhill.org), discover the Small World Coffee café on Witherspoon Street, PJ's Pancake House on Nassau Street, and the many ice cream parlors. Do please write to us here at *Tati* (tati@ias.edu) about your discoveries and favorite places, and send us photos.



The stone barracks at 32 Edgehill Road in the Mercer Hill Historic District, the reputed home of Richard Stockton when he settled in Princeton in 1696. During the Revolutionary War in the 18th century the house was quarters for the soldiers, hence its name.



Enjoying lunch in the Dining Hall

Linda Geraci writes:

As one former Member jovially stated, the Institute should be called the "Institute for Advanced Tummies." Why you might ask? Because Members overwhelmingly enjoy the Dining Hall food and treats offered at 3:00 p.m. tea.

At the helm, Michel Reymond and his talented staff prepare lunch Monday

The Dining Hall

through Friday, and Saturday lunch along with Wednesday and Friday dinners during term. One dinner each month is a family-friendly buffet. All dinners require advance reservation and may be made through the Institute's website

www.admin.ias.edu/dh/ias/dinner-request.html?Reservation=Reservations or by calling 8168. For menus, pricing and dinner seating times, please refer to the Dining Services website: www.admin.ias.edu/dh/ias/.

On Wednesday and Friday evenings during term, Harry's Bar, top floor of the Dining Hall, is open for drinks from 6:00 – 10:00 p.m. Members often meet there to relax with their colleagues. An Institute ID card is required for all drink purchases.

A Dining Hall event that is always a

December favorite is the special holiday buffet, December 17. Reservations are a must and need to be made well in advance, since the evening is popular and reservations fill quickly.

Whether you are enjoying drinks with friends or engaging in interesting lunchtime conversation, you will find the Institute Dining Hall an inviting and tasty space.

A Night at Harry's

An evening of jazz in a casual atmosphere with colleagues and friends is the perfect way to welcome the fall season. On Saturday, **October 2, from 8:00 p.m. – 12:00 a.m.**, you are invited to Harry's Bar (upper level of the Dining Hall) to join others in listening to jazz by guitarist Bob Miles and his fellow musicians. Drinks may be purchased with an IAS ID card. Light bar snacks will be provided. No reservations is necessary.

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More information about the AMIAS activities listed in this calendar may be found at www.ias.edu/about/amias/activities.

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<p>Reservations are required for dinners, concerts and trips. Thank you!</p> <p>Dates and times are current as of publication date.</p>		<p>AC: Activities Center; BH: Bloomberg Hall; CNS: Crossroads Nursery School; CR: Common Room; DH: Dining Hall; DR: Dilworth Room; HB: Harry's Bar – upper level of Dining Hall; HC: Housing Complex; MH: Marquand House; OL: 97 Olden Lane; TC: Tennis Courts; WH: Wolfensohn Hall; WLH: West Building Lecture Hall; WLR: White-Levy Room.</p>			<p>1 </p> <p>Reading Group, 10:00 a.m., AC Hatha Yoga, 12:00 p.m., DR Dinners Begin, DH</p>	<p>2 </p> <p>A Night at Harry's, 8:00 p.m., HB</p>
3	<p>4 </p> <p>English Conversation, 10:00 a.m., OL After Hours, 5:15 p.m., HB Tennis Lessons, 5:30 p.m., TC Movie Mondays, 7:00 p.m., DR</p>	5	6	7	8	9
10	<p>11 </p> <p>English Conversation, 10:00 a.m., OL After Hours, 5:15 p.m., HB Tennis Lessons, 5:30 p.m., TC</p>	12	13	14	15	16
17	<p>18 </p> <p>English Conversation, 10:00 a.m., OL After Hours, 5:15 p.m., HB Tennis Lessons, 5:30 p.m., TC</p>	19	20	21	22	23
24	<p>25 </p> <p>English Conversation, 10:00 a.m., OL Fitness Center Equipment Training, 12:00 PM, Fitness Center After Hours, 5:15 p.m., HB</p>	26	27	28	29	30
<p>31 </p> <p>Halloween IAS children Trick-or-Treat, 5:45 p.m., AC</p>		<p>Pottery Class, 9:30 a.m., AC Playreading, 7:00 p.m., MH</p>	<p>Coffee and Sippy Cups, 10:00 a.m., AC Dinner, DH Film Series, 8:00 p.m., WH</p>	<p>Clay Modeling, 9:30 a.m., AC After Hours, 5:15 p.m., HB</p>	<p>No Yoga Public Lecture, 6:00 p.m., WH No Dinner</p>	<p>No Lunch</p>