



# AAUW California

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# Welcome and Introductions



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# Yi Yi Mon (Rosaline) Kyo

Career  
Development  
Grant



**(Pre)Occupied Artists: Collectivity,  
Ethnicity, and Space in  
Representing Tibetan Subjects,  
1960-2008**

*Davidson College  
Art History*



## Book Project

# The Peripheries of Empire: Art Workers in Tibet in the People's Republic of China, 1960-2008

- Examine how state artists were integral actors in the creation of myths regarding Tibet's history, people, customs and future.
- Four Major Art Projects
  - Painters (Dong Xiwen, Wu Guanzhong, and Shao Jingkun) sent to Tibet in the early 1960s
  - Film crew creating major motion picture *Nongnu* (1962)
  - Sculptors constructing the large life-sized sculptural installation *Wrath of the Sefs* (1975)
  - Chen Danqing's *Tibet Group* series of realist paintings
- Three Main Goals
  - Reconsider how artworks developed during the Maoist period (1949-1976) continued, rather than broke, the chain of Chinese modern artistic development since the late 19th century
  - Uncover the ways in which race and ethnicity, as well as national space, continue to be constituted through visual representations
  - Analyze how the conceptual shift towards defining artists as “art workers” impacted subsequent development of Chinese arts in the 20th century and beyond





Left: Shao Jingkun (邵晶坤), Female Factory Worker, Oil painting (45.5 x 60.5 cm)

Center: Still from Serf (Nongnu 农奴), dir. Li Jun, 1963.

Right: Wrath of the Serfs, sculptural installation, 1976.





Left: Chen Danqing (陈丹青),  
Tibet Series, 1980-82. Go To  
Town II, oil on canvas.

Right: Tsewang Tashi (Tib.  
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Ch.次旺  
扎西), Shangri-la Series, #1  
(性格里拉 #1), 2008 (150 x 100  
cm, digital photograph;  
photograph courtesy of  
Tsewang Tashi).



# Project Design

- Case studies that span different decades from 1960 to the 2000s
- Artists from different generations (pre-socialist, socialist, and post-socialist artistic training)
  - Allows for an understanding of the impact of political ideology on artistic output
  - Allows for an understanding of the impact of political ideology on how “ethnic minorities” are depicted
- Artists that work in different mediums
  - Allows for a broader understanding of how the concept of artist shifted to “art worker”



# Research Methodology

- Primary sources from
  - Archives
  - Museum collections
  - Newspaper databases
  - Popular Pictorial magazines
  - Films
  - Artist interviews





# Timeline Towards Publication

- Submit book manuscript for review (fall 2022)
- Receive feedback from reviewers (late spring 2023)
- Revise and resubmit manuscript (May and June 2023) with the **support of the AAUW Short-Term Publication Grant**



# Greta Casino M.S.W.

Community  
Development Grant



Advocating for Better Health and Well-being of Individuals and Families to Overcome Challenges in our Communities and Social Systems

*Loma Linda University  
Social Work*





Career  
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# Greta Casino

## Clinical Social Work



LOMA LINDA UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF  
BEHAVIORAL HEALTH



Our Communities  
Need Social Workers  
Now  
More Than Ever

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# Research for Effective Practices

Community-  
Centered Clinical  
Practice Model

Trauma and  
Resiliency-  
Informed Care  
Approach

Community  
Resiliency  
Model

Culturally  
Grounded  
Approach



# Advance Clinical Practice

Evidence-based Practices for Psychotherapy + Mindfulness Practices



# Brianna Banks-McLean, M.Arch

Selected  
Professions



An Interdisciplinary Approach to  
Modern Design Diversification

*University of California, Berkeley*  
*Architecture and design*



# masters of architecture: program overview

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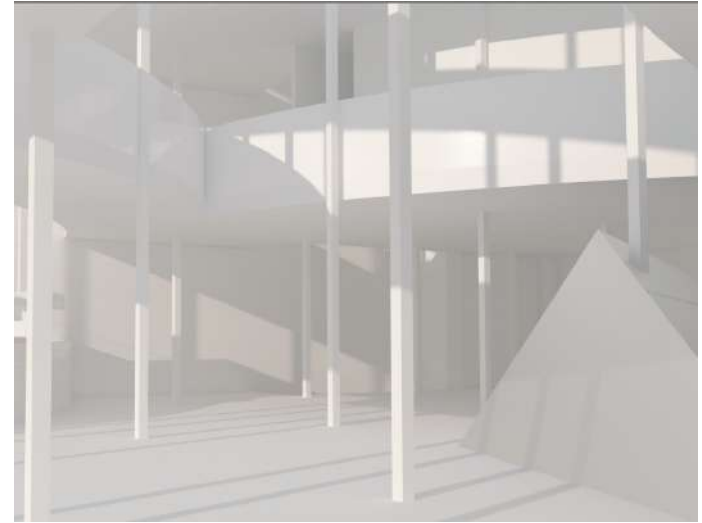
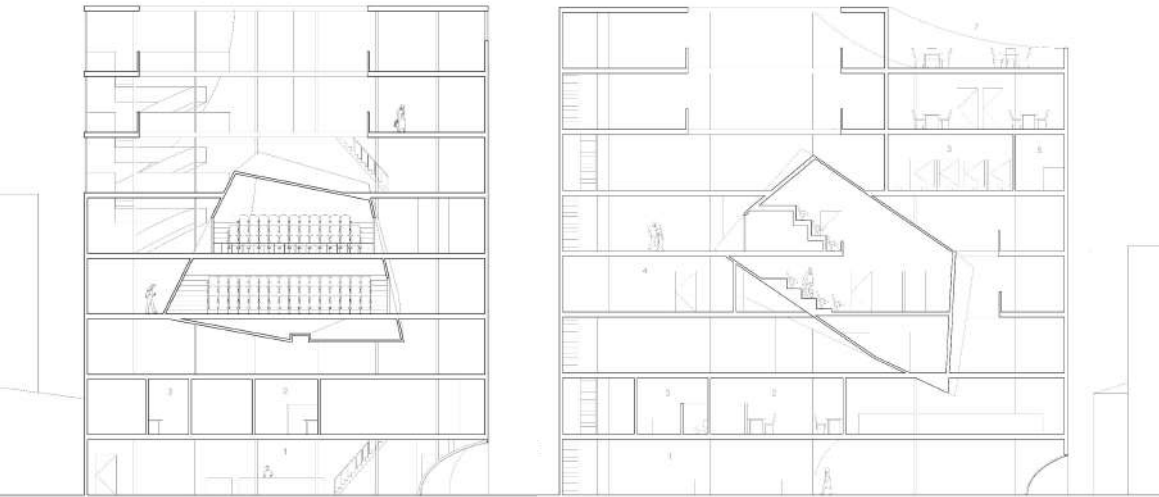
- An emerging position in the application of digital-design media.
- Studios and seminars that embrace an international perspective.
- A continued commitment to our emphasis on design and ecology.
- These three frameworks, together with a tradition of outstanding scholarship in architectural history and theory, offer new directions for architectural education that transcend traditional disciplinary boundaries.

# learning outcomes

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- Cultivating an intrinsic logic of space, structure, and material, which define the language and syntax of form.
- Exploring the extrinsic of architecture and its various social, intellectual and cultural contexts through engagement of site, programs, and users.
- Experience first hand the tension and complexity of form while providing a broad understanding of uses of representation that shape architecture.
- Using that understanding to thoughtfully design solutions to present architectural contestations.

# community center for the arts regional auditorium



key

- 1\_lobby
- 2\_office
- 3\_rehearsal room

section - transverse

scale: 1/8" = 1'-0"

north

key

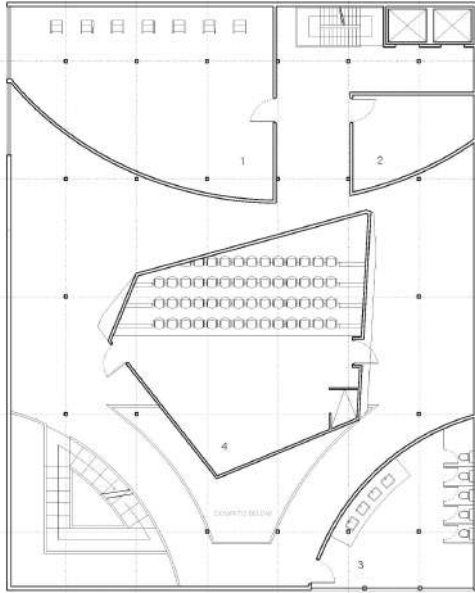
- 1\_lobby
- 2\_office
- 3\_bathroom
- 4\_rehearsal
- 5\_kitchen
- 6\_community room
- 7\_path and open gallery

section - longitudinal

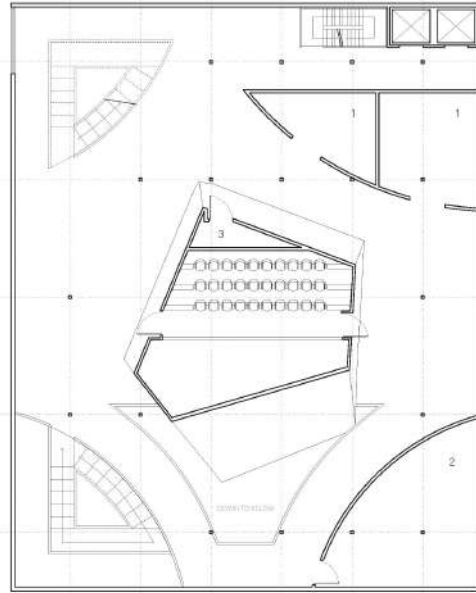
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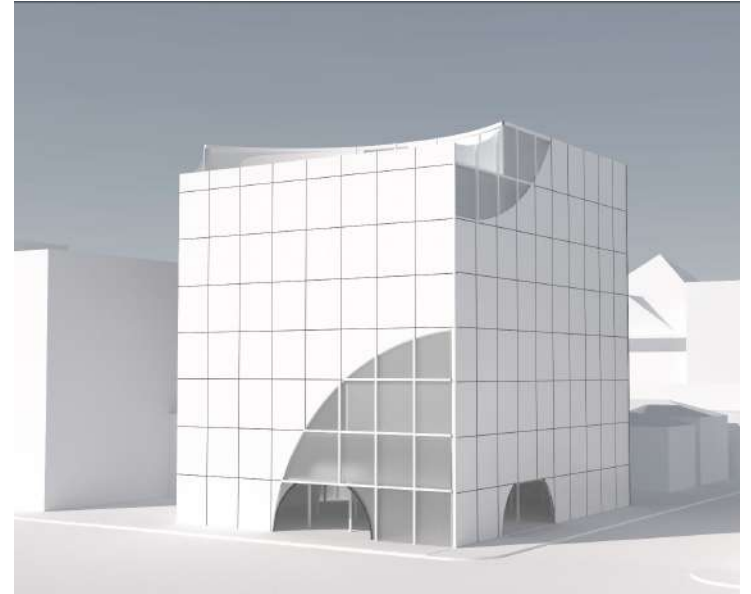
# community center for the arts regional auditorium



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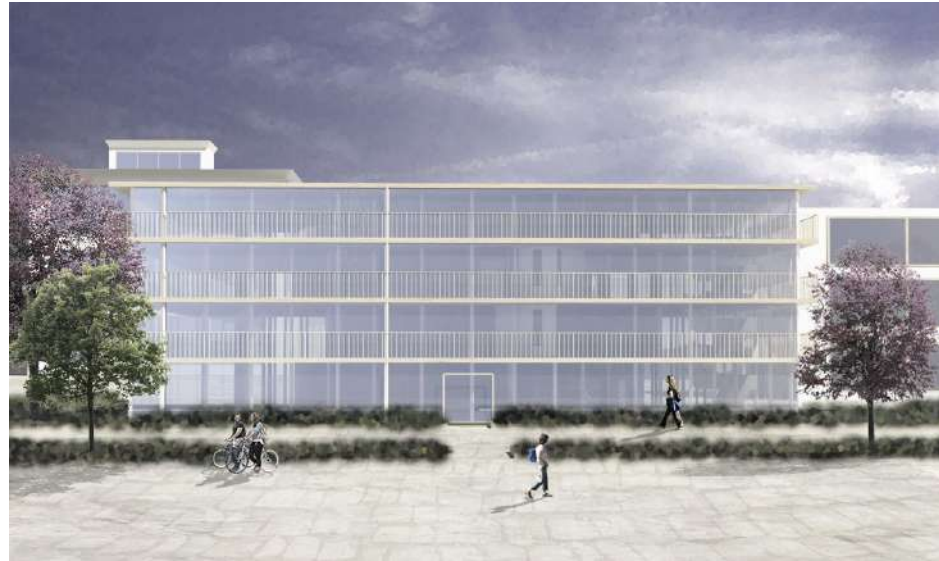


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3\_media room  
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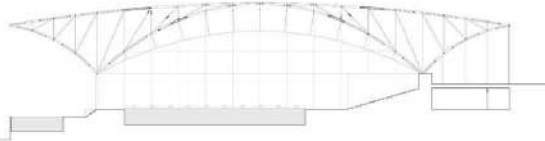


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2\_dressing room  
3\_bathroom  
4\_stage

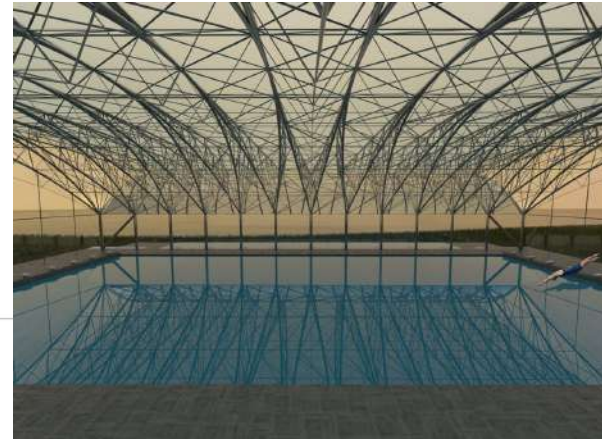
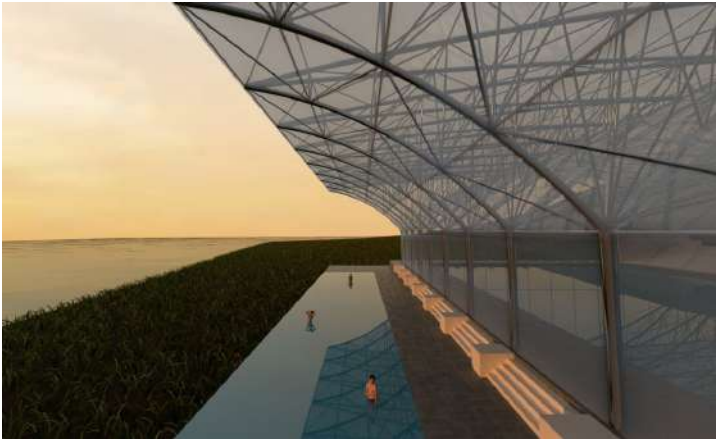
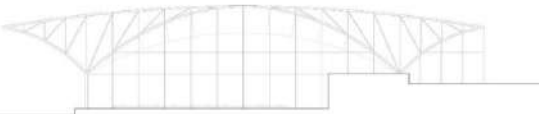
# mixed-use city market



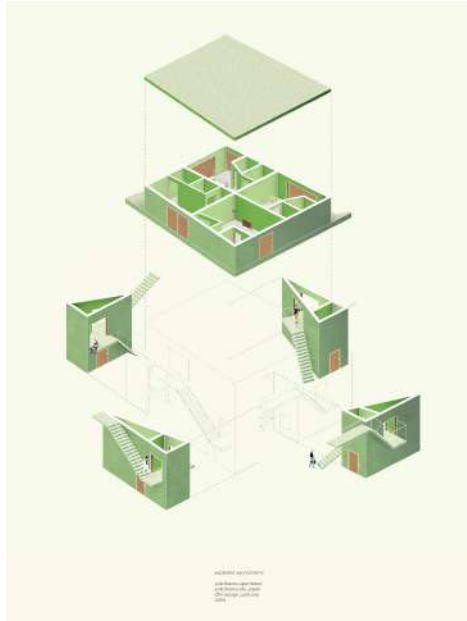




swimming pavilion  
(a reimagining of  
the sutro baths)



# digital architectural redesign – yokohama apartments, japan



## continued study and dissertation

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- architectural values of community, interdisciplinary design, and diversification of design perspectives
- current work: socioeconomic and political industrialization of community and corporation within oakland, california
- dissertation and beyond: foster ideals around holistic, sustainable, and equitable architectural framework at the political and capitalist levels

**Christiane Assefa, Ph.D.**

American  
Fellowship



**Mapping Lifemaking: Race, Place,  
and Refugees in “America’s Finest  
City”**

*University of California, San Diego  
American studies*



# My Research Project

- My dissertation research is fundamentally concerned with a question about the politics of knowledge production - Who can produce knowledge? How? Why?
- My project centers the Knowledge Production of East African Refugee Communities in San Diego
- I theorize “lifemaking” as a gendered spatial practice enacted by East African refugees that contests the racialized landscape of “America’s Finest City”
- Lifemaking centers the intimate and everyday lives of the community
- I study lifemaking at three distinct scales: the community center, neighborhood, and coalition



Image Source: [KPBS](#)

# Collaborative and Accountable Community Based Oral History Project

- This chapter relies on a set of 12 oral histories conducted with members of the San Diego Refugee Communities Coalition
- The work emerged from ongoing conversations with a member of the SDRCC about what accountable community based research looks like
- The coalition invited me to conduct oral histories in an effort to document their emergence, coalitional model, and the work that they had done during the pandemic
- The primary purpose of this collaborative research project was to serve the interests of the coalition. The oral histories were used to support their grassroots organizing work.
- With their consent, the findings of this research project inform the third chapter of my dissertation and an essay based on this work will be published in *The Routledge Handbook of Refugee Narratives* in 2023.





# The San Diego Refugee Communities Coalition

- 23k refugees resettled in SD since 2009
- Collective of ethnic community-based organizations (ECBOs)
- Est. 2019 to ensure refugee communities are healthy, safe, and thriving
- Leads a coordinated approach to collectively reduce health and socioeconomic disparities among diverse refugee communities
- Members: 11 ECBOs representing Haitian, Karen, Iraqi, Syrian, Kurdish, Chaldean, Afghani, Palestinian, Ethiopian, Eritrean, Somali Bantu, Somali, South Sudanese, and Sudanese refugee communities



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Refugee Communities  
COALITION



# Black-led, Feminist Refugee Coalition Building

- Drawing from oral histories conducted with the coalition, I will share definitions of community health that inform their organizing model
- The narratives and definitions of community health that emerge from a refugee-led coalition such as the SDRCC is an important site of knowledge production
- These narratives are guided by a vision for a future in which all people are treated with care and dignity - and really expand what health and community health mean.



Image Source: [Immigrants are Welcome Here](#)

# Three Key Elements

- Three Key Elements define the SDRCC feminist, refugee model enacted by the coalition and inform their capacity to directly meet the needs of refugee families in San Diego

***I. Shared Understanding***

***II. Desire to Take Collective Action***

***III. Collaborative, Participatory Decision Making Model***

- The broad, multi-issue approach reflects the diverse set of expertise each member organization brings to the coalition
- Ultimately, the unique model of the SDRCC redefines community health



# I. The SDRCC Model: Shared Understanding

- The member-leaders have a shared understanding of the lived experiences and needs of refugees and refugee families
- Members of the coalition recognize forced displacement as an ongoing process, rather than a singular event or something defined by legal status/recognition
- SDRCC members recognize how the refugee experience is shaped by different historical and social processes, such as Islamophobia and anti-Black Racism.
- Rather than approaching their work as a single-issue struggle, the broad array of work led by member organizations displays the breadth of the refugee experience.



## II. The SDRCC Model: Desire to Take Collective Action

- While each EBCO organizes individual programs and initiatives, they recognize the power in joining forces to collectively meet the material needs of their community.
- Members of the coalition recognize that the problems faced by their communities are not individual failings, but a result of larger social and political issues
- The SDRCC creates a space in which refugees are empowered to collectively organize and provide the basic needs for their own communities in their own language, religious and cultural background
- The coalition exists as a site of autonomy and leadership for refugees committed to serving their communities, making an impact, and develop their leadership.



# III. The SDRCC Model: Collaborative, Participatory Decision Making Model

- Because of shared understanding and values, all decisions are rooted in a desire to give primacy to the interests and needs of refugees and refugee families, not the individual interest of an organization or member leader
- Humble work space environment, reliable, present
- Mentoring - the goal is not for everyone to be an expert at all things, but that the skills of different orgs complement one another and build toward share goals and growth
- Consensus driven decision making
- There are regular meetings were proposals emerge, are discussed, modified, and finalized



# Redefining Community Health

- The SDRCC model reimagines community health
- Shifts away from narratives that locate solutions for racial disparities and inequities in health care explicitly within the hands of healthcare providers and institutions by locating impacted community as drivers for solution and transformation for the most pressing needs of vulnerable communities
- Further, the SDRCC model is a site of knowledge production where racialized ideas of refugees are being contested, and refugees are both re-imagining and building a way of co-existence defined by collaboration and care.



# Health is....

*"When I go home, I don't have to think about that I'm gonna be homeless. Do you know what I mean? **I wanna go home and I don't wanna be attacked for being a Muslim when walking on city of Main Street. I wanna be accepted. Health mean...this small city, the mayor, the school, the businesses, all together has to work in a good system. And I have to be part of that system in order to balance those things.**"*





# Health is....

***"...it's not just about when you're sick you get a place to get help, but also every single moment of your life, you have support, like emotional support, and someone you can rely on....[and] if you have a tie to your own culture or heritage, and then if you can embrace, you can keep your own culture in this new country, and then you feel proud of your own culture. That is very important part of your health, and then important part of your wellness."***



# Health is...

**“...the agency to make choices in life and the agency to fulfill your full potential.** And I think that's at the forefront of our work. The reason we want equity and the reason we want access is so that our community members can live the lives that they want for themselves and that they're able to live up to their full potential, whatever that looks like. I think at the heart of it [community health] is the political agency. That you as an individual in relation to your community are making decisions for yourself and you're empowered to pursue the things you want to pursue.”



# Legacy Circle

Charmen Goehring



# Mrinmoyee Bhattacharya, Ph.D.

American  
Fellowship



## Creolizing Universalism and Postcolonial Citizenship

*University of California, Irvine  
European Studies*



# My background

- Literary and Cultural Studies scholar
  - In this book manuscript, I explore the relationship between migration, memory, emotions, and divergent experiences of citizenship.
  - How literary and visual narratives historicize conceptions of race, racialized migratory experiences, and materiality in contemporary France?

# Book project

- *Dissident Universalisms and Postcolonial Citizenship* is about the contemporary experiences and articulations of citizenship in France, an alternate tale of the relationship between racialized minorities and the French nation-state.
- The role of literature in preserving and giving shape to the memories, feelings, and lived experiences that remain excluded from institutional archives.



# Summer research

- Examine how Afro-diasporic authors attempt to theorize the relationship between migration, memories, and aesthetics.
- **Summer project: Research and write on the works of the author Léonora Miano**
- Two goals
- Explore the ways in which individual identity and colonial memory are co-constituted in Miano's literary landscape.
- Analyze the emergence and reconceptualization of a transhistorical blackness in Miano's literary works.



- In Miano's literary and journalistic works, Miano chooses the framework of migration to analyze and interpret the diverse experiences of asylum seekers and migrants. There are also young students of afrodiasporic communities who examine their relationship with the framework of French citizenship laws and national community.
- This particular framework allows Miano to evoke culturally diverse visual language, culturally specific onomatopoeia, dialectical vocabulary, references, and historical allusions, in the novels in question.
- Example of novels: Stardust, *Tel des astres éteints*
- Non-fiction: *Afropea*





# Timeline toward publication

- Book contract (summer 2022)
- Submit manuscript (May and June 2023) with the **support of the AAUW Short-Term Publication Grant**



Maia ten Brink, Ph.D. Candidate (she/her)

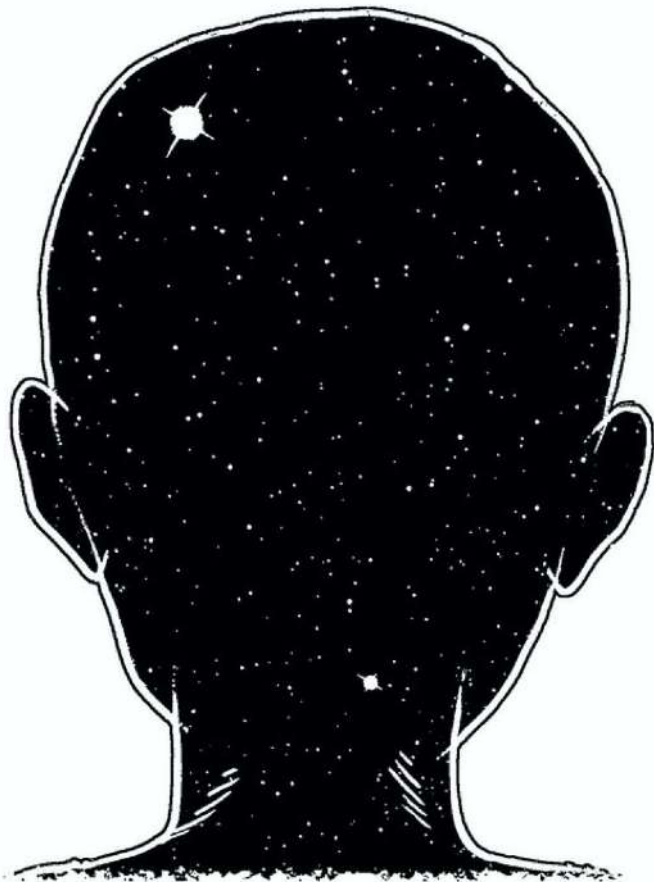
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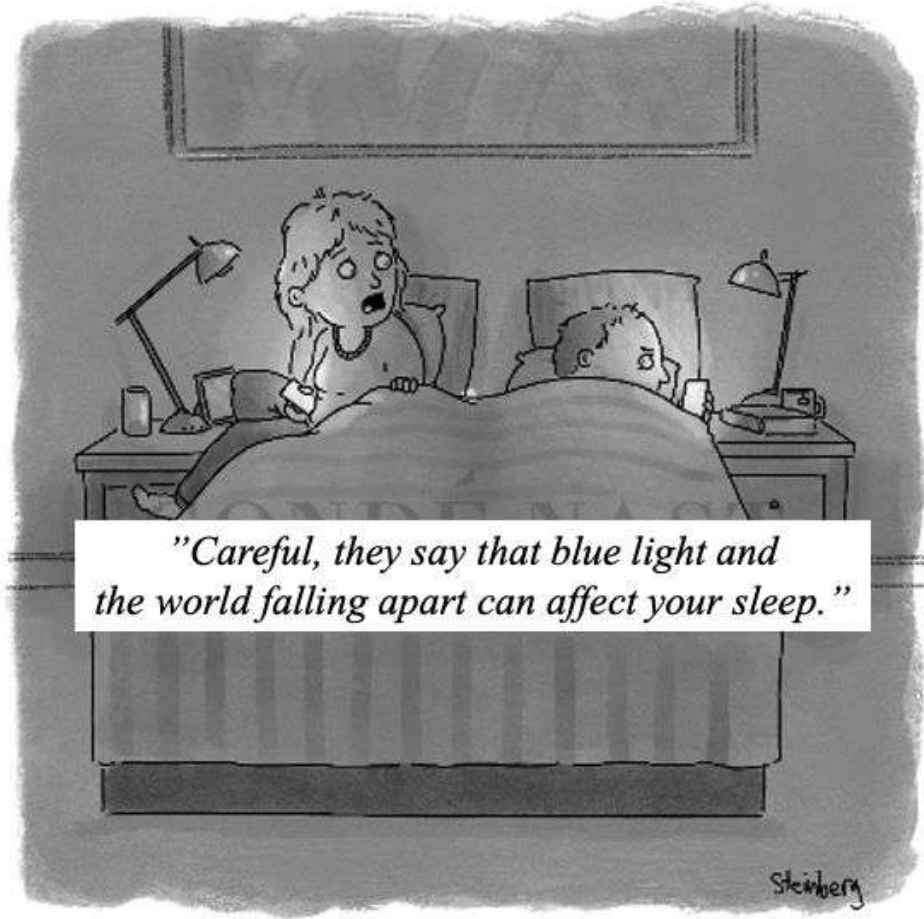


## Bidirectional Relationships Between Affect and Sleep: Dynamics and Mechanisms of Change

*Stanford University  
Psychology*







*"Careful, they say that blue light and the world falling apart can affect your sleep."*

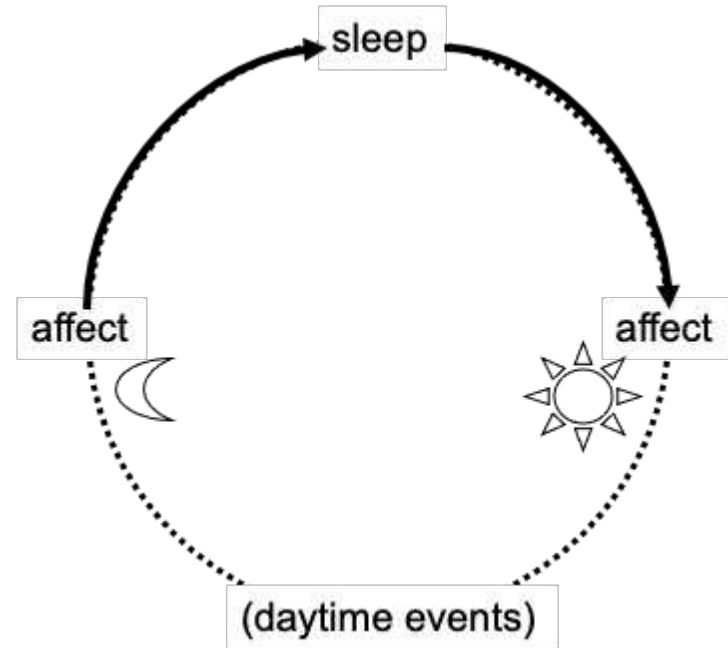


# A bidirectional relationship...maybe?

Everyday experience suggests that sleep and affect are closely and bidirectionally linked<sup>1,2</sup>

Evidence for a link is stronger in clinical samples<sup>3,4</sup>

But in non-clinical adult samples, the empirical evidence for a link is very mixed<sup>1,2,5,6,7</sup>



<sup>1</sup>Konjarski, et al. 2018; <sup>2</sup>Kahn, et al. 2013; <sup>3</sup>Baglioni, et al. 2020; <sup>4</sup>Ong, et al. 2015; <sup>5</sup>Tempesta, et al. 2018; <sup>6</sup>Fairholme & Manber, 2015; <sup>7</sup>Deliens, et al., 2014

# Granular dimensional framework

Sleep and affect are each multidimensional constructs

Sleep scientists and affective scientists each make distinctions within their respective fields along these dimensions:

Domains

Methods

Timescales



We need to combine these distinctions from sleep and affect

ten Brink, Dietch, Tutek, Suh, Gross, & Manber, *Sleep Med Rev*, 2022



# Using granular framework as guide

Systematic review of empirical scientific articles to uncover

- Robust relationships
- Counterintuitive null patterns
- Lack of bidirectional links
- Gaps in research
- Lack of converging results

Dissertation studies following up on gaps and non-convergence

*Studies in which affect temporally precedes sleep*

Affect	Sleep		Duration		Global Continuity		Sleep Onset Latency		Quality / Satisfaction	
	Self-Report	Physiological Signals	Short-Term	Short-Term	Self-Report	Physiological Signals	Self-Report	Long-Term	Self-Report	
	Short-Term	Short-Term	Short-Term	Short-Term	Short-Term	Short-Term	Short-Term	Long-Term		
Negative Valence	Self-Report	Short-Term	5	3	5	3	6	2		
Positive Valence	Self-Report	Short-Term	4	1	4	2	4	3		

*Studies in which sleep temporally precedes affect*

Affect	Sleep		Duration			Waking After Sleep Onset		Sleep Onset Latency		Quality / Satisfaction			Macro- and Micro-Sleep Architecture
	Self-Report	Physiological Signals	Short-Term	Short-Term	Long-Term	Physiological Signals	Physiological Signals	Self-Report	Self-Report	Short-Term	Long-Term	Long-Term	Physiological Signals
	Short-Term	Short-Term	Short-Term	Short-Term	Long-Term	Short-Term	Short-Term	Short-Term	Short-Term	Long-Term	Short-Term		
Negative Valence	Self-Report	Short-Term	7	13	1			4	10			4	
	Physiological Signals	Short-Term		4									
Positive Valence	Self-Report	Short-Term	5	9	2			3	8	1		3	
	Self-Report	Long-Term	2		3	3		1			3		
Arousal	Self-Report	Short-Term	1	6				1	3				
	Physiological Signals	Short-Term		4								2	
Specific Emotions	Anxiety / Fear / Threat	Self-Report	1	4				1	1	1		1	
	Anger / Aggression	Self-Report	1	1				1	1	1			

# Flow of dissertation studies

- **Study 1:** The role of pre-sleep positive affect on subsequent sleep quality in adults
- **Study 2:** Do adolescents show a similar sleep-stress feedback loop as adults, and if so, whether coping self-efficacy interrupts the spiral?
- **Study 3:** How affect in the evening and in the morning relate to activity in the brain during intervening sleep
- **Study 4:** The role that affect regulation plays in modulating the associations between affect and sleep in daily life in adults





# Conclusion

- The intersection of sleep and affect is ripe for research
- Using a granular, multidimensional framework can help identify patterns
- People's lay understanding doesn't match empirical data – why?
- There could be many sources of complexity
- Understanding that complexity may reveal important mechanisms that help to develop precise, targeted interventions to improve well-being



# Mooneen Lecce Giving Circle

Sharon Schuster



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# Janeth Jepleting, MPP.

International  
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## PUBLIC POLICY AND DISPUTE RESOLUTION

*Pepperdine University  
Public Policy*



# Personal Story

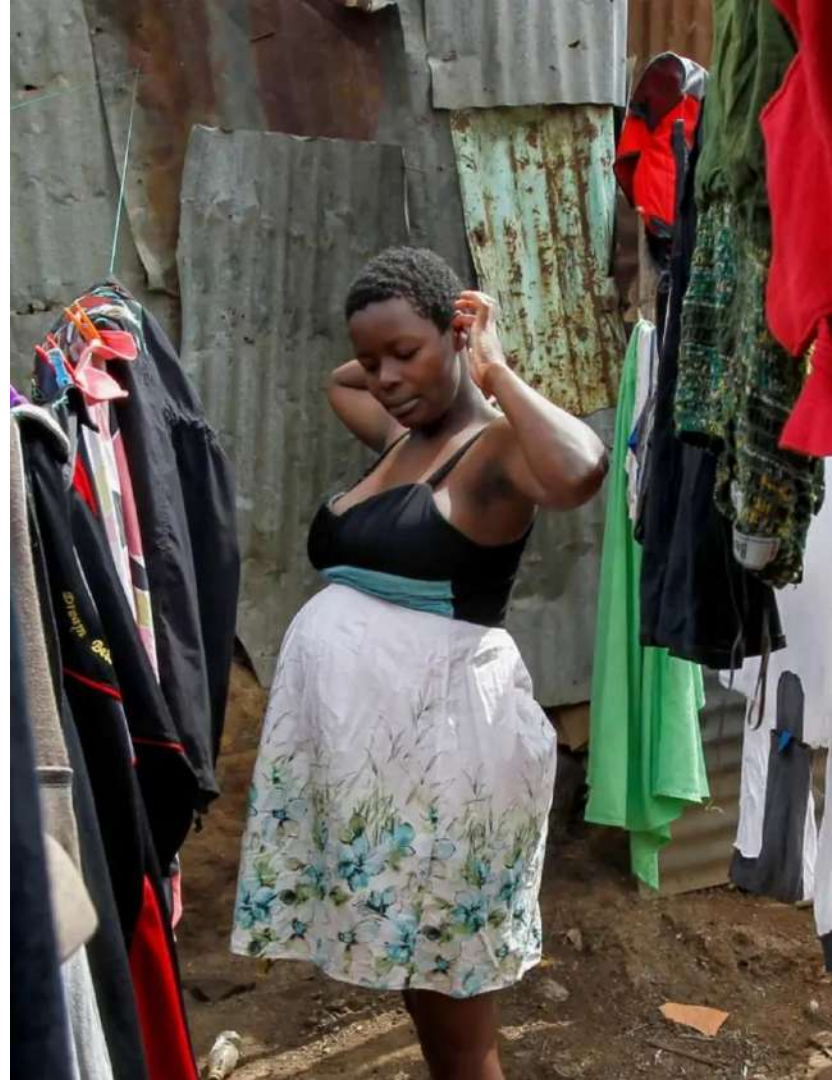
My personal story is the most incentives for pursuing master's degree in public policy today.

I grew up a village where by education for girls is low due to many factors.

Few of these factors are;

- Early teenage pregnancies
- Poverty
- Lack of role models and so on
- Kenya has limited policy analysts

This photo of a pregnant teenage was taken in a village in Kenya in 2020, credit photo (Monica)



# Public Policy And Dispute Resolution

- Public policy is about people, it is about restoring back human dignity.
- What comes in my mind when i think of public policy, is the daily challenges we go through and government failure to provide solutions.
- They are many policies areas and women are the most affected people especially in developing countries.
- Early pregnancies and forced marriages.
- According to 2021 research data, we have 152,000 New teen mothers.



# Why Public Policy?

- Based on the African Institute for Development Policy facts research, Kenya is leading on teenage early pregnancies hence this has lead to high percentage on school dropouts .
- Where I grew up, girls and women are not given an education opportunity especially when there is limited resources, we have girls and young women who would want to go for their dreams but they lack support and I want to fight for their rights through policies

# What Are The Solutions?

- To curb this, we need to educate teenagers and girls the importance of abstaining from sex at a younger age and before marriage.
- We need to emphasize more on education and raise funds to take those who already have children back to school because they are too immature to start their families.
- All organizations for example churches, schools, society and also parents have to take the responsibilities of education girls and also young men on the effects of sex before marriages.

# My Contributions On Public Policy

- Will create policies in favour of girls and young women to fight for their education rights and equality in Kenya and the world.
- Will start funding activities to support them since I have been on their shoes, I do understand the need for education and change.
- Am aspiring to go parliamentary seat so that i push for these policies to be implemented as laws.
- Will run a mentorship program to inspire them.

# Shirley Ruiz, M.Ed.

Career  
Development Grant



## Organizational Leadership & Learning

*Pepperdine University  
Education*



# Background

Supporting students with disabilities for over 15 years.

- Alternate Media Coordinator
- Assistive Technology Specialist
- Alternate Media Specialist



# My mission ...

## Lead the way

- ★ to champion accessibility
  - its need
  - its importance
- ★ to share my knowledge and enthusiasm
- ★ to teach, motivate and inspire content creators to create with accessibility mind
  
- ★ to play a small part in *Changing the World for People with Disabilities*



# Kyndra C. Cleveland J.D.

Selected  
Professions



Children, Families & the Law

*University of California, Berkeley  
Law and Psychology*



A golden scale of justice stands on a wooden desk, with a wooden gavel resting on its base. In the background, several law books are visible, including one with the word 'LEGAL' on its cover. The scene is softly lit, creating a professional and scholarly atmosphere.

# Children, Families & the Law

**Kyndra C. Cleveland, Ph.D.**

**J.D. Candidate, UC Berkeley**

**October 23, 2022**



# My Background



- Developmental Psychologist
  - Legal involvement and family separation for families
  - Barriers to family reunification
  - Judicial Decision-Making
  
- Law & Policy
  - Advocating for policy change in legal cases affecting families



**4 Million reports**

**700,000  
Substantiated**



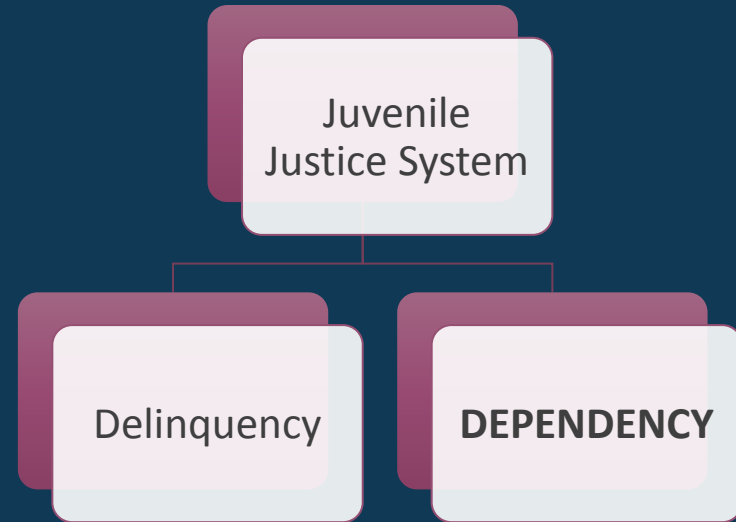
**1 in 100 TPRs**

**Black Children 2X**



# JUVENILE DEPENDENCY

safely reunify families

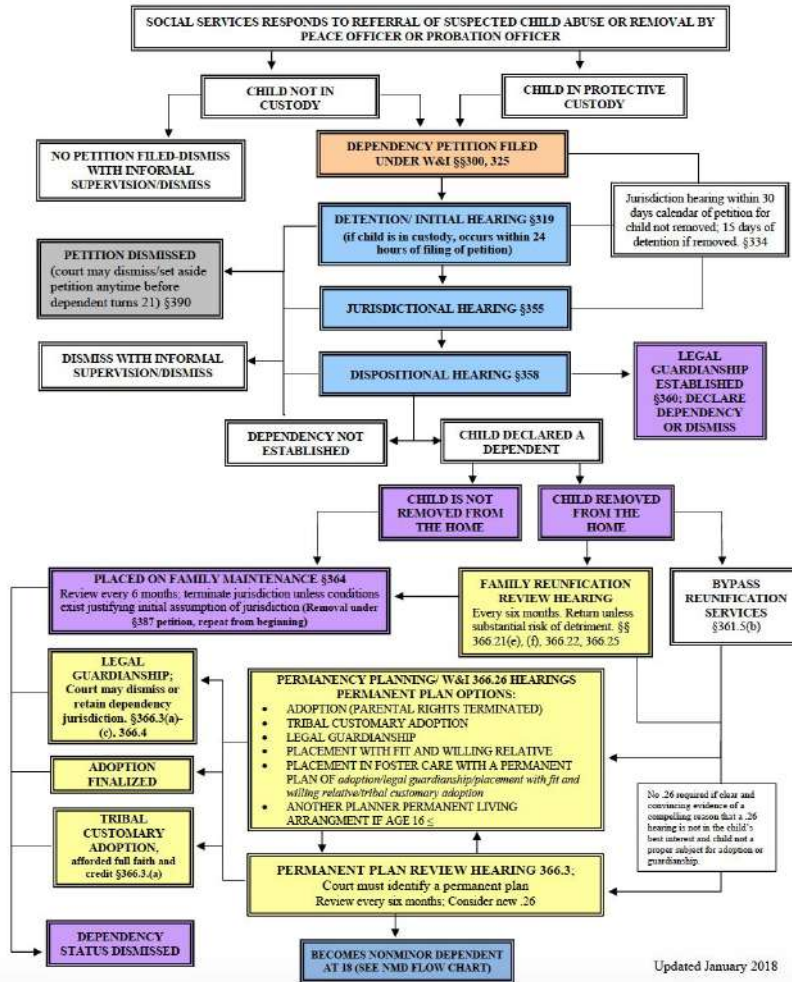




# Barriers to Reunification

- Understanding the court process
- Psychological trauma
- Numerous Requirements + Fees

# Juvenile Dependency Flow Chart









# Child Support Payments

# CA Reform: AB 1686

Reducing Child Support Referrals for Families

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Berkeley Law

Policy Advocacy Clinic





THANK YOU!


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- Department of Health & Human Services
- Ford Foundation
- National Science Foundation

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# AAUW Fund

- Are you inspired by these amazing women? We are tenacious and trailblazing—advocating for women into the future.
- You may schedule one of these speakers to attend a branch or IBC event.
- We encourage donations towards our annual goal of \$525,000. We're close at \$405,437 ytd.
- Donate now! State that donation is in honor of an AAUW Fund Event.



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# How Does AAUW Fund Help Your Branch?

- Provides guidance and support for branch fundraising activities done on behalf of AAUW Fund.
- Plans AAUW Fund events and programs to educate members about the Fund.
- Encourages giving to the AAUW Fund.
- Schedules fellowship and grant recipients to speak at branch meetings and the Fund events.



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# AAUW Fund Opportunities

<b>9110</b> <b>AAUW Greatest Needs</b>	Allows AAUW to respond rapidly, in our communications and advocacy, to critical issues affecting women as they emerge. Not restricted to fellowships or specific projects.
<b>2504</b> <b>NCCWSL</b>	National Conference for College Women Student Leaders Scholarships provide access for a broader and more diverse audience to be a part of the leadership training, inspiration and networking opportunities provided during this event.
<b>4229</b> <b>Mooneen Lecce Giving Circle Special Projects</b>	The Mooneen Lecce Giving Circle honors the memory of longtime AAUW member, Mooneen Lecce who believed deeply in volunteerism and charitable giving. When you become a member of this trailblazing group of philanthropists, you join other Circle members in selecting strategic, innovative gender equity projects where your gift will have the greatest impact.
<b>4504</b> <b>Dianne Owens Honorary</b>	Given in honor of Dianne Owen's outstanding contribution as AAUW California State President 2020-2022 <a href="#">LINK</a> to donate



# KEY DATES

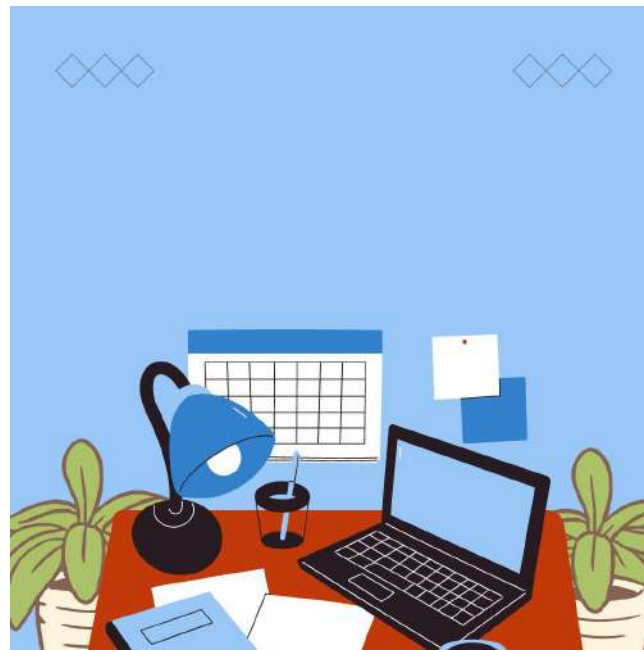
## AAUW Fund Donations

- December 31 - Deadline for this year's donations

## Named Gift Nominations

Click [HERE](#) to nominate

- Feb 1, 2023 - Deadline for State Named Gift nominations
- March 1, 2023 - Deadline for Branch Named Gift nominations (one for each \$750 donated)



# The Success Of This Event Was A Team Effort

## AAUW Fund Committee

- Karen Vanderwerken, Chair
- Judy Horan, Charmen Goehring, Deanna Arthur, Elizabeth Bathgate, Jan Cook, Sharon Westafer

## AAUW Communications Committee

- Randa Blanding, Julika Barrett, Dawn Johnson, Linda Slater

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