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INSPIRATION  
AND INFLUENCE

A WEEKEND WITH WOMEN WHO HAVE  
CHANGED COLGATE AND THE WORLD

MARCH 4-5, 2022

*Co-sponsored by the Kerschner Family Series Global Leaders at Colgate, Living  
Writers, and the Women's Leadership Council*

**50** | CELEBRATION  
YEARS | OF WOMEN  
AT COLGATE

## CHARTER DAY SATURDAY, MARCH 5

### ALUMNI COUNCIL AND WOMEN'S LEADERSHIP COUNCIL BRUNCH

*8:30-9:45 a.m.*

Featuring Tara Bubble and Renee Madison. Alumni Council and Women's Leadership Council members are invited to attend.

### COVE SERVICE PROJECT

*9 a.m.–Noon, Donovan's Pub*

A University tradition that takes place annually on Charter Day, the Colgate Global Day of Service will provide alumni and student volunteers with opportunities to make a difference in Hamilton and the surrounding areas.

Arrive at 8:30 a.m. Transportation will be provided. Light breakfast will be served.

### SMALL GROUP SESSIONS WITH ALUMNAE AND STUDENTS

An opportunity for discussion of a variety of women's leadership themes. All returning alumnae and students are encouraged to attend.

**10:00–11:00 A.M.**      *27 Persson Hall*

Topic — Agency: Taking Control of Your Career

**11:15 A.M.–12:15 P.M.**      *27 Persson Hall*

Topic — Changemakers: Social Corporate Responsibility

### 50 YEARS OF NATIONAL FELLOWSHIPS

*3:30 p.m., Merrill House*

Since the beginning of coeducation in 1970, Colgate women have been at the forefront as recipients of nationally competitive fellowships like the Watson and Fulbright, as well as many more. Our celebration will include remarks from current students, faculty, and alumnae who have been recipients. Hosted by the Office of National Fellowships and Scholarships and the Office of the Dean of the Faculty.

### CHARTER DAY LUNCHEON

*12:30–2 p.m., Hall of Presidents*

An opportunity for alumni, parents, and selected students to connect over lunch and celebrate the spirit of Charter Day and reflect on the role of community service in the Colgate experience. The program will include a panel discussion with Colgate alumnae around the theme of social entrepreneurship and community engagement.

### AN EVENING WITH AMAL CLOONEY

*6:00pm, Colgate Memorial Chapel*

Presented by the Kerschner Family Series Global Leaders at Colgate

Lawyer, professor, and activist Amal Clooney will discuss her life's work combating global civil rights abuses and seeking justice for survivors.

Women have helped to make Colgate the leading, national university it is today — and their influence continues to grow as we enter our third century.

We gather this weekend to reflect on the power of women in our communities, to find inspiration for the future, and to empower the next generation at Colgate.

## EVENTS FRIDAY, MARCH 4

### SMALL GROUP SESSIONS WITH ALUMNAE AND STUDENTS

An opportunity for discussion of a variety of women's leadership themes.

**1:00–2:00 P.M.**      *108 Persson Hall, Cunniff Classroom*  
Topic — Alumnae and Students of Color Discussion

**2:15–3:15 P.M.**      *27 Persson Hall*  
Topic — Women's Leadership: Leading Peers, Businesses, and Communities

**2:15–3:15 P.M.**      *Little 105, Golden Auditorium*  
Topic — Women in STEM and Medical Professions

### A RECEPTION AND PROGRAM HONORING JANE PINCHIN, THOMAS A. BARTLETT CHAIR AND PROFESSOR OF ENGLISH EMERITA

*3:30–5:00 p.m., Colgate Inn*

Faculty, students, and alumni gathering in recognition of Jane Pinchin for her leadership at Colgate, particularly during the early years of coeducation. Remarks by President Casey and faculty members. No registration is required. All returning alumni and parents are invited to attend.

### A DISCUSSION WITH AUTHOR JESMYN WARD

*6:00 p.m., Colgate Memorial Chapel*

Presented by the Kerschner Family Series Global Leaders at Colgate and Living Writers.

### PRESIDENTS' CLUB RECEPTION WITH JESMYN WARD

*7:30 p.m., Merrill House*

Alumni and parents who are members of the Presidents' Club, which includes Parents' Steering Committee and Women's Leadership Council members, are invited to a reception with Jesmyn Ward immediately following her discussion. Contact [presidentsclub@colgate.edu](mailto:presidentsclub@colgate.edu) with questions about the Presidents' Club.

## A RECEPTION AND PROGRAM HONORING JANE PINCHIN

*Thomas A. Bartlett Chair and Professor of English Emerita*

Presented by the Kerschner Family Series Global Leaders at Colgate and Colgate Living Writers.

A gathering of faculty, students, and alumni in recognition of Jane Lagoudis Pinchin H'18. Jane Pinchin joined the Colgate English department in 1969 and went on to serve in most of the significant positions in the academic administration, including provost and dean of the faculty and vice president for academic advancement, as well as interim University president in 2001–2002.

Her many accomplishments include leading two academic divisions, university studies and arts and humanities; founding the Manchester Study Group; overseeing a revision of the Liberal Arts Core Curriculum; working to establish the Women's Studies Program, extended study and linked-course programs, Upstate Institute, and Max A. Shacknai Center for Outreach, Volunteerism, and Education; and serving as a member of the Colgate Bicentennial Committee.

In addition, she has been an active volunteer in several capacities, including the Community Memorial Hospital Board of Directors and the Bowdoin College Board of Trustees. Colgate's Alumni Corporation created its Humanitarian Award in her honor in 2003.



*No tickets required.*

## JESMYN WARD

*Author and National Book Award winner*

Presented by the Kerschner Family Series Global Leaders at Colgate and Colgate Living Writers.

Hailed as “the new Toni Morrison” by the American Booksellers Association, MacArthur Genius and two-time National Book Award winner Jesmyn Ward is the author of fiction, nonfiction, and a memoir that *The New York Times Book Review* called “raw, beautiful and dangerous.”

In 2017, she became the first woman and first person of color to win the National Book Award for Fiction twice — joining the ranks of William Faulkner, Saul Bellow, John Cheever, Philip Roth, and John Updike. Ward's novels, primarily set on Mississippi's Gulf Coast, are deeply informed by the trauma of Hurricane Katrina. *Salvage the Bones*, winner of the 2011 National Book Award, is a troubling but ultimately empowering tale of familial bonds set amid the chaos of the hurricane. *Men We Reaped: A Memoir*, deals with the loss of five young men in her life — to drugs, accidents, suicide — and the bad luck that follows people who live in poverty. Ward edited the critically acclaimed anthology *The Fire This Time: A New Generation Speaks About Race*, a *New York Times* bestseller.

Her newest novel, the critically acclaimed *Sing, Unburied, Sing*, won the 2017 National Book Award. Named “a searing, urgent read for anyone who thinks the shadows of slavery and Jim Crow have passed” (Celeste Ng), *Sing*

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was named one of the best books of 2017 by *The New York Times*, *Time*, *the Washington Post*, and *Publishers Weekly*. The novel was also nominated for the PEN/Faulkner Award, the National Book Critics Circle Award, and the Aspen Words Literary Prize.

Ward's latest is *Navigate Your Stars*, an adaptation of her 2018 Tulane University Commencement speech that champions the value of hard work and the importance of respect for oneself and others.

A professor of creative writing at Tulane University and contributing editor to *Vanity Fair*, Ward received the 2016 Strauss Living Award and a 2017 MacArthur Genius Grant, and she was named one of *Time's* 100 most influential people of 2018.



## AMAL CLOONEY

*Lawyer specializing in international law and human rights, and visiting professor, Columbia Law School*

Presented by the Kerschner Family Series Global Leaders at Colgate.

Amal represents clients before international courts including the International Criminal Court, the International Court of Justice, and the European Court of Human Rights. Alongside court work, she provides advice to governments and individuals on legal issues in her areas of expertise.

Amal frequently represents victims of mass atrocities, including genocide and sexual violence. She has acted in many precedent-setting human rights cases in recent years, including the world's first trial against an ISIS member for genocide and the first case alleging complicity in crimes against humanity by a company that funded the terror group. She has represented Armenia in a case involving the Armenian genocide and was recently counsel to 126 victims of the genocide in Darfur, Sudan, at the International Criminal Court. In 2021, she was appointed special adviser to the prosecutor of the International Criminal Court on Darfur.

Amal also represents political prisoners around the world and has helped to secure the freedom of journalists arbitrarily detained for their work across the globe. In 2020, Amal was the recipient of the Gwen Ifill Award for "extraordinary and sustained achievement in the cause of press freedom" from the Committee to Protect Journalists.

Amal has also served as a senior adviser to Kofi Annan when he was the U.N.'s envoy on Syria, as counsel to the U.N. inquiry on the use of armed drones, and as a rapporteur for the International Bar Association's Human Rights Institute on independence of the judiciary. She is a member of the U.K.'s team of experts on preventing sexual violence in conflict zones and the U.K. attorney general's panel of experts on public international law. In 2019–2021 she also served as deputy chair of an International Bar Association Panel of Legal Experts on Media Freedom.

*Pre-registration required.*

Prior to joining the London bar, Amal worked in The Hague at the International Court of Justice, the International Criminal Tribunal for the Former Yugoslavia and the Special Tribunal for Lebanon. She is admitted to the New York Bar and practiced as a litigation attorney at Sullivan & Cromwell LLP in New York.

She is also a visiting professor at Columbia Law School, where she co-teaches the Human Rights course with Professor Sarah Cleveland. And she is the co-founder of the Clooney Foundation for Justice, which aims to advance justice through accountability for human rights abuses around the world.



## WITH GRATITUDE TO OUR SPONSORS

### *The Kerschner Family Series Global Leaders at Colgate*

Launched in 2007 and sponsored by Colgate's Parents' and Grandparents' Fund, the Kerschner Family Series Global Leaders at Colgate has brought to campus notable individuals whose work has had a global impact. Encounters with these world leaders help students to prepare for lives of leadership and to contribute to the advancement of local communities and global society.

### *The Women's Leadership Council*

Established in 2005, the Women's Leadership Council is a community of more than 170 women who want to make a transformational impact for current and future generations of students. The council also provides meaningful opportunities for engagement with Colgate alumni, students, and campus leadership. For more information, visit [colgate.edu/womensleadershipcouncil](http://colgate.edu/womensleadershipcouncil).

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*Thank you for joining us for this inspiring celebration of women at Colgate.*

Colgate's *Third-Century Plan* is ambitious and will mark the largest and most important transformation in University history.

We invite all Colgate alumni, parents, students, and friends to join us in creating a foundation for Colgate's third century by supporting the University and becoming involved.

To learn more about volunteer opportunities with Colgate, contact [alumni@colgate.edu](mailto:alumni@colgate.edu) or visit [colgate.edu/alumni/volunteer](http://colgate.edu/alumni/volunteer).

**To support Colgate students who go on to change the world, visit [colgate.edu/makeagift](http://colgate.edu/makeagift).** Gifts to the Colgate Fund enable the University to realize key initiatives of its Third-Century Plan that will ensure the world's most talented students can access a Colgate education.

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