

## The SIGnboard

THE HARVARD ALUMNI ASSOCIATION has approved more than 30 Shared Interest Groups; a complete list appears at <http://post.harvard.edu/harvard/clubs/html/SIGdir.shtml>. *Harvard Magazine* invites SIGs to share news of their activities in this space. (Send items to [classnotes@harvard.edu](mailto:classnotes@harvard.edu), using SIG in the “class year” line.)

### First Generation Harvard Alumni

We are seeking alums who might want to **mentor incoming First Generation students** during the 2013-2014 academic year. Mentors, who ideally will be first generation themselves (i.e., members of the first generation of their immediate families to graduate from a four-year U.S. college), commit to meeting monthly (either in person or through a means such as Skype) during the course of the year with a first-year first-generation student. If interested either in being a mentor, or in the First Generation Harvard Alumni SIG in general, please e-mail founder Kevin Jennings '85 at [kevin@kevinjennings.com](mailto:kevin@kevinjennings.com).

### Harvard Gender and Sexuality Caucus

HGSC and its partner groups present a range of summer activities, including those listed here. In the East, the eighth annual **LGBTQ Post-Pride Mixer** (All-Ivy & Friends) takes place at the Yale Club of New York City on July 2 (details at <http://goo.gl/SMFjd>). Or gather for mixed cocktails in Provincetown (Mass.) on July 5 (<http://tigernet.princeton.edu/-ffr-gala/Events2013/130705Ptown.html>) or on July 12 at the Rubin Museum of Art in Manhattan (<http://tigernet.princeton.edu/-ffr-gala/Events2013/130712NYC.html>). In California, on July 17, the **LGBT Ivy Young Alumni Mixer** takes place in West Hollywood (<http://tigernet.princeton.edu/-ffr-gala/Events2013/130717SoCal.html>). On July 18, there will be a **Co-Ed LGBT Alumni Mixer** at Club OMG in San Francisco (<http://goo.gl/ptpYx>).

### Harvardwood

The **Harvardwood Writers' Competition** is back! Polish up those screenplays, TV pilots, and plays for this annual contest, created to recognize superior work and give emerging Harvard writers a chance for industry exposure. Scripts are evaluated by industry professionals; the first-place winner receives a small cash award and free admission to the Harvardwood Writers' Program. The deadline is August 15; for details, visit the writers' section at [www.harvardwood.org](http://www.harvardwood.org). **Harvardwood NY** presents its Classical Salon Series in New York on July 2: pianist Yelena Grinberg performs Bach's *Goldberg Variations* in her home. On July 24, it's Romantic Jazz for a Summer Evening, with singer Melissa Stylianou and a trio including tenor sax player Joel Frahm. And on August 14, hear Nigel West, widely considered Britain's leading writer on true-fact espionage, discuss “Espionage 101—How the International Espionage Community Works.” On July 20, join **Harvardwood's Washington, D.C., chapter** at the Capital Fringe Festival to see *Tragedy Averted*, a comedy by Alexandra Petri '10. And on August 29, **Harvardwood's Chicago chapter** hosts the Chicago International Social Change Film Festival's Meet the Founders & Preview Screening. The festival showcases films from around the world that inspire people to create social change. Visit the Events section of [www.harvardwood.org](http://www.harvardwood.org) for details on all these programs.