### The Women's College Club of Princeton Newsletter September 2025

### **President's Message**

It is hard to believe that the summer is over already! I hope that you are enjoying this wonderful weather that we are having. It makes up for a hot humid summer.

As a board, we have been working hard to get everything ready for a new year. Dues are still coming in. If you have not sent in yours, please do so today. We would love to get the new directory printed and in your hands at the October meeting.

Our program committee has just about finished scheduling all of the programs for this coming year and the trip committee has some exciting trips.

We have continued with some of our activities during the summer including plays at the Princeton Summer Theatre, the annual Senior Art Show at Mercer County College, book discussion, and lunching out.

Our September meeting will be a real treat. We will be having a presentation by James Steward, the Director of the Princeton Art Museum.

I hope all of you will set aside the third Monday of each month for our monthly meetings. Also, you are all welcome to come to any of our small group activities.

Bonnie Larson

#### SEPTEMBER PROGRAM

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A New Museum for Princeton

Monday September 15, 1:00 PM

Stockton Education Center at Morven



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He has served as the Nancy A. Nasher—David J.

Haemisegger, Class of 1976, Director of the Princeton University Art Museum since April 2009. There, he directs a staff of more than 170 with an operating budget of of approximately \$30 million and collections of over 117,000 works of art that span the globe and encompass over 5,000 years of human history. In addition, James serves as Lecturer with the Rank of Professor in the Department of Art & Archaeology, is a faculty fellow of Rockefeller College, and an honorary member of the Classes of 1967 and 1970.

James holds a B.A. from the University of Virginia and a doctorate in the History of Art from Trinity College, Oxford University. He has authored numerous volumes and curated major touring exhibitions ranging from the art of eighteenth-century Italy, to Edvard Munch, to contemporary African American art. He is a recipient of numerous grants and fellowships, as well as the Chancellor's Medal for distinguished service at the University of California, Berkeley, and is a member of the Order of St. Petersburg and a Knight of the Royal House of Portugal, for services to art and education.

Prior to coming to Princeton, James served from 1998 to 2009 as director of the University of Michigan Museum of Art, where he oversaw the planning, design, and construction for a major new building, recognized as one of the 10 best new buildings for 2010 by the American Institute of Architects.

#### **BOARD MEETING**

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Our next board meeting will be on **Thursday**, **Sept. 11** at **10 AM** at the West Windsor library.

#### **MEMBERSHIP**

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New members are always welcome. If you know someone who wishes to join the Women's College Club of Princeton, please contact Alyce Conlon, <a href="mailto:alymar@comcast.net">alymar@comcast.net</a> or 609-448-7064 or LuAnn Wood, <a href="mailto:luannwood16@gmail.com">luannwood16@gmail.com</a>, 609-731-6680.

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#### **BOOK GROUP**

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For those who enjoy reading a book each month, we will meet at 11:00 PM on Friday, Sept. 26<sup>th</sup> in the Barnhart Room at Windrows to discuss *Time of the Child* by Niall Williams.

We will be discussing **The Magnificent Lives of Marjorie Post** by Allison Pataki in October.

After a lively discussion, we go upstairs to have lunch in the Café.

If you are interested in joining this group, please contact Joan Goodman, <a href="mailto:joan2larry@aol.com">joan2larry@aol.com</a> or 609-799-4433.

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#### **LUNCHING OUT GROUP**



Our next group lunching-out will be on **Monday, September 29 at noon** at Villa Maria, on Quakerbridge Rd., Hamilton.

Please let Bonnie Larson know by September 19 if you would like to join us by calling 609-655-2663, or email bonniejlarson63@comcast.net.

#### **TRIP**



We are excited to announce the first trip of the year. **Friday, September 19:** 

Thanks to Mary Ann Restuccia and her connections, we will be going to:

National Weather Service Office NOAA --National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration 732 Woodlane Road Mt. Holly, NJ 08060

The tour will begin with a presentation about their office, who they are, and what they do including a question and answer session and conclude with a walk through of the office forecast operations floor. The tour will take approximately one hour starting at **1:30 pm**.

When you arrive, you may park anywhere in the parking lot. Please enter through the main door facing the road, not the side door facing the parking lot. If there is no one sitting at the desk inside, ring the white doorbell button on the right wall and someone will come to let you in.

What is especially fascinating about the tour is the process they use to anticipate weather activities and how their findings are filtered down to us, local governments, television and radio stations and other industries.

**We will have lunch before the tour.** There are two restaurant choices in the area:

John and Molly's Restaurant (opens at 12) 1291 Woodlane Road Eastampton Township, N.J. 08060 or Robin's Nest Restaurant (opens at 11:30) 2 Washington St. Mt. Holly, NJ 08060

Please e-mail me at <a href="mailto:esloukatos@comcast.net">esloukatos@comcast.net</a>, if you are interested in attending, which restaurant you would like to go to, and whether you would like to carpool. Indicate in the subject line: Weather Trip.

#### 2025-2026 Officers

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#### **DATES TO REMEMBER:**

Board Meeting Thurs, Sept. 11, 10 AM
General Meeting Monday, Sept. 15, 1 PM
Lunch/Trip Friday, Sept. 19, 1:30 PM
Book Discussion Friday, Sept. 26, 11 AM
Lunching Out Monday, Sept. 29, Noon

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## The Women's College Club of Princeton

"Enriching and empowering women since 1916"

Come join us on Monday, September 15, 2025
from 1 PM to 3 PM at
the Stockton Education Center at the Morven Museum



Speaker: James Steward





James Steward has recently led the construction, buildout, and curation of a major new 150,000 square foot museum facility for Princeton University, opening to the public on Friday October 31, 2025, free admission. At this talk, he will give an insider's overview of the new building and art galleries. The new museum has doubled the space for exhibition, conservation, study, and interpretation of the Museum's globe-spanning collections and includes a new array of social gathering spaces and visitor amenities.

Mr. Steward has been Director of the Princeton University Art Museum since April 2009. Prior to coming to Princeton, he served from 1998 to 2009 as director of the University of Michigan Museum of Art, where he oversaw the planning, design, and construction for a major new building. He holds a B.A. from the University of Virginia and a doctorate in the History of Art from Trinity College, Oxford University. He is also lecturer, author, and recipient of numerous grants and fellowships.

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