



The Jaffe Peace Corps Fellows Winter Newsletter

Teachers College, Columbia University, Winter, 2018

Save the Date

Saturday, May 5th - PCFP Volunteering at Harlem Grown, 118 West 134th, 11am-1pm Please RSVP
Friday, May 18th - 2018 PCFP BBQ, Russel Courtyard

The winter season has been filled with activity! Below are some highlights.

The Jaffe Music Program Continues

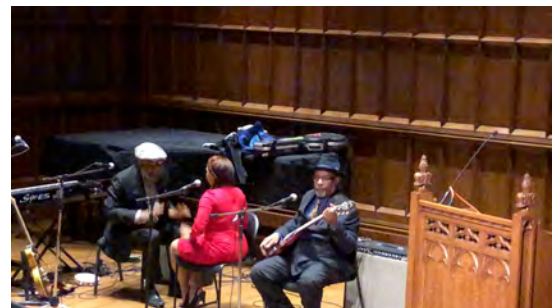


Elaine Perlman with Roslyn & Elliot Jaffe after the Jaffe Music concert

The Jaffe Music Program kicked off its second season of performances for students in nine of the schools where the PCFP current Fellows and alumni teach. Last season focused on Caribbean and Latino culture with multiple performances by Los Pleneros de la 21. The second season centered on the blues as interpreted by the Heritage Blues Orchestra Trio. One special performance in the beautiful Milbank Chapel was attended by Elliot and Roslyn Jaffe as

well as the students from the Eagle Academy for Young Men of Harlem and their teacher, current Fellow Alton McCall. One student wrote, "Thank you so much for opening my eyes to a beautiful genre!" Another student stated that, "No matter how many thank you's I can give, it can't describe the appreciation that my class and I can give to the amazing performance that was displayed in front of us. It was a spectacular experience, and it was my first live music performance."

The Jaffe family initiated the music performances of both Latin and blues music in the Fellows' schools. The Jaffe Music Program serves as a cultural ambassador for New York City students to connect with varying styles of music.



Click on this [VIDEO](#) of the Heritage Blues Orchestra

New Peace Corps Fellows Website



Valentine's Day was the launching date for the new Peace Corps Fellows Program website.

We have a whole new look!

The updated style will make it easier for prospective students and friends of our Program to learn more about the outstanding opportunities for Returned Peace Corps Volunteers as they teach in New York City schools while earning a master's degree from Teachers College with a cohort of well-supported RPCV's.

[Follow this link](#) and explore!

Renaissance in the Belly of a Killer Whale

The PCFP hosted an outstanding performance of "Renaissance in the Belly of a Killer Whale" in December. Fellows, alumni, mentors and the Teachers College community were all invited.

The audience reaction was enthusiastic with praise for the incredible performances that explored the complex impact of gentrification in Harlem.

The three actors were Jaylene Clark Owens, Hollis Heath and Janelle Heatley. Some people in attendance said that they wished to see the show a second time!

If you missed the show, you can sign up to be on the theatrical group's email list.

Their website address is:

<http://www.harlemkwproject.com/>



Contact Elaine at esp2012@tc.columbia.edu

to find about the following:

[The Peace Corps Fellows Program Book](#)

The first edition of our free PCFP book entitled, "From Peace Corps to Teachers College to NYC Classrooms" has been published! Volume One contains 14 stories by Fellows and alumni, two by mentors and one by Professor Yolanda Sealey-Ruiz. It's a great read!

[Enrichment Grants](#)

Jaffe Grants for alumni and

current Fellows of up to \$500 are available for both enrichment projects and service learning. Applicants will be notified about the award three weeks after the application is submitted.

[Cell Phone Wallet](#) - We have free PCFP cell phone wallets.

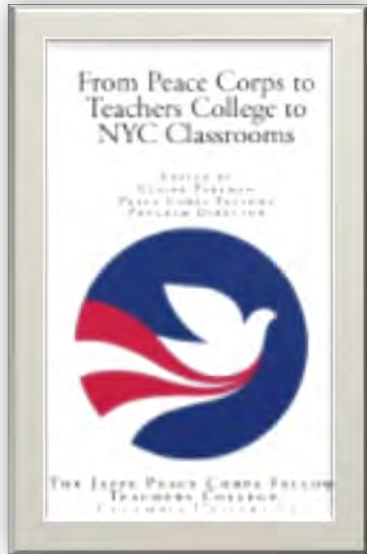
[Have extras?](#) We are collecting and donating clothing + hotel shampoos & soaps to PS 197 families.

[Alumni News?](#)

If you have professional or personal news you would like to share in the upcoming newsletters, please send it along!

[Two Great Events](#)

March 24th – New York Coalition for Radical Educators (NYCORE) Conference, James Baldwin High School
April 12th – 8:30am-3pm, at TC, "Teaching in Trying Times Conference" inspired by James Baldwin. Proposals for presentations are due on 2/20/18



Dellana (Cohort '14), 5 month young Baby DaKota & Terrence, the whole Turner DuBois famiy visited the Peace Corps Fellows Office in February!

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