

Welcome back to the NYU Radiology Alumni Society (NYU-RAS) newsletter!

Welcome, First Year Residents!



## Diagnostic Radiology

## IR/DR

### Craig Bearison

Hometown: Tampa, FL  
NYU School of Medicine

### Thomas Mehuron

Hometown: Waitsfield, VT  
New York Medical College

### Clayton Li

Hometown: Bayside, NY  
NYU School of Medicine

### Matthew Breen

Hometown: Chelmsford, MA  
University of Massachusetts Medical School

### Sindhoora Murthy

Hometown: Rockville, MD  
Washington University School of Medicine in St. Louis

### Yuli Zhu

Hometown: Libertyville, IL  
University of Illinois-Chicago

### Amelia Lanier

Hometown: Tallahassee, FL  
Keck School of Medicine of USC

### Eduardo Pascual Van Sant

Hometown: San Juan, PR  
Columbia University College of Physicians and Surgeons

### Linda Le

Hometown: Utica, NY  
Keck School of Medicine of USC

### Stacey Wolfson

Hometown: Merrick, NY  
NYU School of Medicine

## Message from NYU-RAS President

### NYU Radiology Alumni Society Presidents Greeting...

This is a challenging time to be a radiologist: increasing volume and administrative tasks, the rise of artificial intelligence, and concerns about burnout are dominating the radiology headlines. One of the benefits of connecting with NYU Radiology alumni is the opportunity to form mentoring relationships and professional connections to help deal with these challenges. The goal of the alumni society is to create an alumni community to foster these connections.

This past October we had our second social event, Happy Hour at Bubo, where we connected alumni with the next generation of radiologists, NYU's current residents and fellows. We are already looking forward to our Spring social event on March 5, 2020. For those alumni attending RSNA next week, we hope you will join us at our annual Alumni event on Tuesday December 3, 2019 at the Signature Room at the John Hancock Center. We are expanding our social events to other parts of the country, so stay tuned for an event coming to your region!

I am so excited to announce that our website is just about ready for primetime! Our launch date is set for December 15, 2019. We hope our website will create an online community for alumni to connect with each other from near and far. Stay tuned for instructions on how to set up your profile and log into our website, NYURadAlum.org. We are planning to have a community bulletin for alumni to post questions, employment and research opportunities, accomplishments etc.

Our mentorship is ongoing, pairing alumni with residents based on mutual interests. We are planning to expand the program to connect junior alumni with senior alumni to offer advice and guidance. If you are interested in getting involved with our mentorship program or with the alumni society, please contact our secretary, Anu Khasgiwala at [anunita.khas@gmail.com](mailto:anunita.khas@gmail.com).

I hope this newsletter inspires you to join us at future alumni events, reconnect with your residency and fellowship classmates, and mentor the next generation of NYU trained radiologists who will be the leaders and mentors of the future.

*Happy Holidays!*

**Lauren Levy**, resident 1996 and fellow 1997

## Congratulations, Dr. Mercado!

Dr. Mercado received the first ever NYU GME Program Director of the Year award! This award recognizes outstanding leadership, commitment and engagement in the education of NYU residents and trainees. The residents and residency administrators surprised Dr. Mercado with celebratory cake after noon conference. Congratulations on this well deserved award!



## NYU-RAS Social Event: Happy Hour at Bubo

On Wednesday, October 16th, NYU Alumni and Residents gathered for food and drinks for our Fall social at Bubo. Everyone had a great time seeing old friends and making new connections with NYU alumni. We look forward to seeing you at our next event!



Second year radiology resident Matthew Nazarian entertains the adoring crowd during our ice breaker event (look out for him on the NYC stand up stage--really!).



Vice Chair of Education Nancy Fefferman, MD presides over a crowd of residents and alumni.

## Alumni Updates

**Christoph A. Agten (MSK Research fellowship '16)** has had a busy year. He is working as a teleradiologist and began the process of establishing his own teleradiology venture. He started his own MSK radiology YouTube channel (with 600+ subscribers so far), self-published his first book (*SPEED--MSK RADIOLOGY: How to Report Studies Faster*) and received the Venia Legendi, an academic title (translates to "Clinical Lecturer") from the University of Zurich. He writes that following their research fellowships at NYU, he and his wife, an MFM OB/Gyn, moved back to Switzerland. They currently reside in Nottingham, UK. He has a 21 year-old daughter and he and his wife are expecting twins! Congratulations, Christoph!

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**Sue Jane Grosso Rivas (Diagnostic Radiology '90, Body Imaging, Breast Imaging/Nuclear Medicine fellowship '91)** writes that she has been in private practice with Summit Radiological Associates (NJ) since 2001. She practices general diagnostic radiology, mostly focused on Breast Imaging and serves as the Chief of Breast Imaging. She has been named a NJ Top Doctor for the past ten years--Congratulations, Sue Jane! She is active in educating the community about the benefits of mammography and was recently interviewed about the topic by Fox News. Sue Jane lives in NJ with her husband Robert and their dog, Iris. Their daughter Isabella is currently a Junior at the University of Pennsylvania. Sue Jane writes that she still loves to go Latin dancing in her spare time and does Zumba for exercise.

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## Spotlight on Faculty Leadership

### **Nicole Hindman, MD**

Congratulations to Dr. Hindman on being recently named the department Director of Diversity and Inclusion. This is in addition to her existing roles as MRI Safety Officer and Director of Female Pelvic Imaging.



### **Lea Azour, MD**

Congratulations to Dr. Azour for her recent appointment as the department Director of Wellness. Dr. Azour also serves as the Associate Section Head of the Thoracic Imaging Section.



### **Maria Borja-Anjulo, MD**

Congratulations to Dr. Borja-Anjulo on her appointment as Director of Global Health. This is in addition to her role as Associate Director of the Neuroradiology Fellowship.



### **Bill Moore, MD**

The Director of Clinical Informatics and the section chief of the Thoracic Imaging section, Dr. Moore has recently taken on a new role as Associate Chair of Clinical informatics. Congratulations, Dr. Moore!



### **Greg Chang, MD**

In addition to his current role as section chief of the Musculoskeletal Imaging section, Dr. Chang was recently named Associate Chair for Outpatient Imaging and Strategy. Congratulations, Dr. Chang!



## Recent NYU Radiology Events

Sponsored by the Department of Radiology's *Women's Leadership Initiative*

### SKILLS FOR RESILIENCE: LEADERSHIP AND DIVERSITY

#### Guest Speakers



**Cheri L. Canon, MD, FACR, FAWR**  
Professor and Chair of Radiology  
Witten-Stanley Endowed Chair  
of Radiology  
University of Alabama at  
Birmingham School of Medicine



**Everett Cunningham**  
President and CEO, U.S. and Canada  
GE Healthcare

The Department of Radiology's Women's Leadership Initiative hosted a special event on 11/11/2019 focused on resilience featuring special guest speakers Dr. Cheri Canon and Everett Cunningham.

The event focused on successful leadership skills and the role that diversity plays as a key factor for developing organizational and personal resilience.

The discussion was followed by a moderated Q&A panel session.

## SAVE THE DATES

### NYU Radiology Alumni Reception at the RSNA

**When:** Tuesday, December 3, 2019 from 6:30-8:30 PM

**Where:** The Signature Room at the 95th Floor at the John Hancock Center

### 38th Annual Morton A. Bosniak Head to Toe Imaging Conference

**When:** December 16-20, 2019

**Where:** New York Hilton Midtown

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