

ALUMNI & FRIENDS | **May 2024**



## Heat Up Your Connection with Clark this Summer

*School is out, and summer is here! Join Clarkies around the globe this season for a variety of events and engagement opportunities.*

### **Affinity Events**

Join Clark's LGBTQ+ Alumni Association (CLAA) as we celebrate Pride Month with a special virtual event discussing Professor Elizabeth Blake's new book, *Edible Arrangements: Modernism's Queer Forms*. The conversation will be moderated by Laura Robinson, Clark's University Librarian, on Zoom on Thursday, June 6, 7-8 p.m. EDT (4-5 p.m. PDT).

**[Register or learn more >](#)**

Join Clark's Black Alumni Association (CBAA) to celebrate Juneteenth with a private tour of **[Giants: Art from the Dean Collection of Swizz Beats and Alicia Keys](#)**. On Wednesday, June 12, guests will enjoy a private guided tour of the Giants exhibition at the Brooklyn Museum. A reception at The Norm will take place inside the museum following the tour. Registration closes Wednesday, June 5.

[Register or learn more >](#)



### **WooSox Game**

On Saturday, June 8, Clark alumni, friends, and families will enjoy a WooSox game at Polar Park! Guests will watch from the Shaw's Visitors Bullpen event space, which includes a deck with picnic-style tables and chairs, and a section of unassigned stadium seats.

[Register or learn more >](#)

### **International Events**

Clark's Alumni & Friends Engagement Team is traveling the globe this summer to welcome new Clarkies and reconnect with international alumni!

Join us in June in one or more of the following cities:

[London, UK](#) – Tuesday, June 11, 6:30-8:30 p.m.

[Paris, France](#) – Wednesday, June 12, 19:00-21:00 (7-9 p.m.)

[New Delhi](#) – Saturday, June 15, 4-6 p.m.

[Amsterdam, Netherlands](#) – Sunday, June 16, 14:00-16:00 (2-4 p.m.)

[Mumbai](#) – Sunday, June 16, 4-6 p.m.

[Dubai](#) – Tuesday, June 18, 6-8:30 p.m.

[Abu Dhabi](#) – Wednesday, June 19, 6-8:30 p.m.

[Hyderabad](#) – Thursday, June 20, 4-6 p.m.

[Istanbul](#) – Friday, June 21, 6:30-9 p.m.

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**GOLD**  
GRADUATES OF THE LAST DECADE

## GOLD Nuggets

Learn more about Clark's GOLD Council at our [website](#) or contact us at [gold\\_council@clarku.edu](mailto:gold_council@clarku.edu).

### Reunion

Thank you to all the GOLD alumni who attended Reunion Weekend!



### GOLD Gives

On March 1, Clark launched its first-ever young alumni giving challenge, [GOLD Gives](#), an opportunity for young alumni to triple their impact. Now through May 31, all gifts made from GOLD alumni will be matched 2-to-1 by Chair of Clark's Board of Trustees Gary



Labovich '81 and his wife, Susan. A gift of \$20 will increase to \$60 right away! Each gift, no matter the amount, will help Clark enhance the lives and experiences of current students.

Graduates of the Last Decade (GOLD) gathered at Compass Rose in Washington, D.C., last week for a night of networking and celebrating Clark's GOLD Gives campaign! Tonight, May 29, Vice President for University Advancement Joe Manok will be at Bocado in Worcester to provide attendees with an update on the University's goals and initiatives, and tomorrow, New York Clarkies will join GOLD Council member Gabrielle Totten '19, MBA '20 at City Winery Grand Central.

*Registration for these events are now closed. Please contact [alumni@clarku.edu](mailto:alumni@clarku.edu) for information about on-site registration options.*

There's still time to have your impact TRIPLED! Participate in [GOLD Gives](#) before the fiscal year ends on May 31!



## Athletics Hall of Fame Recap

On Thursday, May 16, six alumni athletes were celebrated and recognized at the Athletics Hall of Fame Induction Ceremony and Dinner.

“While it is important to recall the achievements of these extraordinary athletes, it is a person’s character that leaves a lasting legacy. Our six inductees showed determination, enthusiasm for their teams, and dedication to Clark,” said Trish Cronin, Director of Athletics & Recreation. Check out the [event photos](#).

Please consider lending your [support to Clark Athletics](#) so we can continue to recruit talented athletes to Clark and foster a supportive environment for student-athletes. Our fiscal year closes on May 31, and every gift, regardless of amount, helps our students excel in and out of the classroom.

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## End of Year

It has been an incredible year for Clark. The generosity of Clark’s alumni community has made the following developments possible this year:

- The University launched its first-ever Honors Experience, co-designed by students and faculty to strengthen Clark’s reputation for academic excellence in a competitive higher education landscape.
- The Becker School of Design & Technology at Clark was ranked 3rd in the world in Princeton Review’s Top 50 Schools for Game Design, while our Master of Fine Arts program was No. 7 in the Top 25 Graduate Schools for Game Design. Both programs are ranked No. 2 among schools in the Northeast.
- U.S. News & World Report ranked Clark’s School of Management No. 96 among the Best Business Schools – Full-Time MBA Programs — in the country with SOM jumping ten spots from No. 106 last year.
- Applications for admission for the Class of 2028 topped 11,400, including students from all 50 states for the second year in a row!
- Clark’s new School for Climate, Environment, and Society received a \$10 million pledge. The new school will address one of the most urgent and profound global issues of our time.

Our alumni community helped make these achievements possible, and every gift ensures that Clark remains a first-choice destination for future generations of students. We hope you'll make your contribution to Clark before the University's fiscal year closes on May 31.

[GIVE NOW](#)

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## Future Events

*Make note of these future events. Registration is coming soon!*

### **Alumni & Friends Virtual Book Club | TBD**

Clark's University Librarian Laura Robinson and her team put on an incredible book club where alumni and friends discuss classic, modern, and culturally significant works of both fiction and nonfiction. Stay tuned for titles to be featured this fall.

### **Move-in Day | August 22**

Alumni are invited to help welcome the class of 2028 this August as they start their Clark journey! Volunteers will gather on campus to greet and assist new Clark families and then enjoy a complimentary lunch with the Alumni & Friends staff afterwards.

### **[More Alumni & Friends Events](#)**

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## Get Involved

**[Join an alumni affinity group](#)** – Sign up for community-specific emails for the alumni affinity groups: the [Clark Black Alumni Association \(CBAA\)](#) and/or the [Clark LGBTQ+ Alumni Association \(CLAA\)](#), or suggest a new one!

**[Share Your Experience from College to Career](#)** – The Career Connections Center (CCC) seeks alumni volunteer speakers to participate across various industry-themed weeks. Inspire the next generation of professionals as they begin their career journey and prepare for life after Clark! Email Angela Harris, Senior Associate Director of Employer & Alumni Engagement, at [anharris@clarku.edu](mailto:anharris@clarku.edu) for more information.

**Join ClarkCONNECT** – Connect with 7000+ Clark alumni, students, and faculty on the ClarkCONNECT platform. Check out the **Internships & Projects Guide** or visit the Career Connections Center website.

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## Stay Connected



Make sure your contact information is up to date so you can stay in the know about Clark events, activities, and more!

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