

# Holiday Happenings at Penn

## Shop Across the Continents at the Penn Museum: Discounts December 1-4

From *December 1 through 4*, visitors to the Penn Museum's two shops—the Museum Shop and the Pyramid Shop for children—can take advantage of a 10% discount on all purchases (Penn Museum members enjoy a 20% discount), during Holiday Shopping Savings Days. PennCard holders are entitled to a 15% discount in both of the Penn Museum shops!

Penn Museum's shops feature a wide variety of multicultural gifts. Much of the shops' inventory was obtained through fair trade practices that directly benefit artisans in developing countries and their communities around the world.

### The Museum Shop

This year's shop highlights begin in the continent of Africa, the focus of the Museum's newest gallery project, *Imagine Africa*. From Malawi, a variety of vibrant potholders, placemats, and napkins from the fair trade company Dsenyo, created with a distinct method called "wax printing," start at \$12.99. From South Africa, a collection of colorful Zulu bowls and ornaments, woven from telephone wire, are priced from \$10.99 to \$129.99. Egyptian-themed figurines, coffee mugs, ornaments, and other great gift ideas abound for as low as \$6.99.

Kevin Frietag, Museum Shop manager, noted that Kachina figures and Chaka pottery from Native American and Latin American artists are early shopper favorites. Dozens of handmade Kachinas, decorative figurines from the Navajo, are priced between \$19.99 and \$99.99. Fair trade Nicaraguan pottery—distinctive, artisanal vessels, each one bearing the photograph and name of the artist who designed and created it, run from \$59.99 to \$129.99. In addition, colorful backpacks and shoulder bags, handcrafted by Maya people of Guatemala, are priced from \$39.99 to \$99.99.

From the distant continent of Asia, vibrant

sets of scarves from Nepal, Vietnam, and India are now featured in the Museum Shop for \$29.99 to \$49.99. For the home, visitors can peruse an assortment of decorative Chinese ceramic tea mugs and sculptures, ranging from \$6.99 to \$99.99.

The Museum Shop offers a rich selection of books, music and movies. Hardcover books feature topics from Greek mythology to Australian art. DVDs includes titles from PBS and National Geographic; the featured CD showcases Ethiopian and Eritrean musicians and singers.

### The Pyramid Shop for children

For the kids on everyone's shopping list, the Museum's Pyramid Shop for children is featuring a new line of international games, such as Mancala, Senet, and Game of Ur, in a nod to the *Year of Games*, the University of Pennsylvania's theme for the 2011-2012 academic year. Shoppers can find toys, stuffed animals, jewelry, and a wealth of children's books about world cultures, ancient and modern, at this shop.

Visitors coming exclusively to the shops may come in for free. The Museum Shop is open during regular Museum hours. Hours for the Pyramid Shop are subject to change. For more information, visit the Museum's website at [www.penn.museum](http://www.penn.museum) and click on "SHOP." The phone number for the shops is (215) 898-4040.



A "Kachina" figurine, handmade by the Navajo people.

Photo courtesy of the Penn Museum

## 16th Annual Peace Around the World

Celebrate the holiday season at this family-oriented afternoon on *Sunday, December 4*, 1-4 p.m. at the Penn Museum. Visitors receive a *Passport to Cultures* with an itinerary to visit galleries where International Classroom speakers share holiday traditions of their home countries. Music and dancing, exotic face painting, balloon art, family crafts, and free treats for children. Learn about the Penn Museum's "Adopt an Artifact" program with a special activity for the family to enjoy. Free with Museum admission.

## SHOPPING

### Computer Connection Holiday Sale

The *Penn Computer Connection's* annual *Holiday Wishbook* is now available, featuring gift ideas for all ages. *Now through December 7*, receive a \$50 gift card with the purchase of an Apple iPad. And on *December 8 and 9*, in conjunction with the Penn Bookstore's Salebration days, stop by the Computer Connection for special offers, raffle prizes, refreshments and giveaways. From *December 8-31*, buy any iPad and receive a free iPad 2 SmartCover valued at \$39. To download a copy of the 2011 *Holiday Wishbook*, visit [www.upenn.edu/computerstore](http://www.upenn.edu/computerstore)

### Penn Bookstore's Salebration

Take advantage of the *Penn Bookstore's Salebration Thursday, December 8 and Friday, December 9*. Save 20% on a selection of gift items including Penn branded merchandise, books, games and other items. Holiday festivities include a free professional photo taken in a winter scene setting (one per individual or group) from 2 to 5 p.m. both days and free hot chocolate and cookies served from 4 to 6 p.m. each day.

### Holiday Book Sale

The Walnut Street West Branch of the Free Library of Philadelphia will hold a *book sale* on *Saturday, December 3*, 11 a.m.-3 p.m. The proceeds will go towards after school programs for youth and the acquisition of new books.

## PERFORMANCES

### Annenberg Center Holiday Performances

Purchase tickets at [www.annenbergcenter.org](http://www.annenbergcenter.org)

*Danú: An Nollaig in Éirinn—Friday, December 2*. Celebrate a traditional Irish Christmas with Danú's traditional but modern sound built around players of accordion, fiddle, flute and percussion; 7:30 p.m.; Zellerbach Theatre; \$20-\$45.

*Spanish Harlem Orchestra: Salsa Navidad—Saturday, December 3*. This family-friendly holiday program includes classic holiday songs with a Latin flair; Zellerbach Theatre; \$20-\$45

### Holiday Dreams on Ice

*Holiday Dreams on Ice; December 23* at 7 p.m. Class of 1923 Arena; tickets: [www.holiday-dreamsonice.com](http://www.holiday-dreamsonice.com)

### World Cafe Live Holiday Performances

Tickets: [www.worldcafelive.com](http://www.worldcafelive.com)

*4th Annual Highkixmas Musical Extravaganza—Wednesday, December 21*. West Philadelphia's own HighKick will perform their musical "High on Christmas 2: The Rise and Fall of the Kick," a tale full of comedy, Christmas miracles and timeless rock and roll. The group will be accepting canned food donations; Doors open 7 p.m.; Show begins downstairs 8 p.m.; \$15.

*New Year's Eve with Philly Bloco—December 31*. Philly Bloco's 20+ members bring their mash-up of samba, funk and reggae for a very special New Year's Eve dance party; \$40, \$30.

## ACTIVITIES

### Holiday Garden Railway

The Morris Arboretum's popular *Holiday Garden Railway* display returns *November 25* and is open daily 10 a.m.-4 p.m. with extended hours to 5 p.m. *December 17* through *December 31* (closed *December 24 & 25*). The display includes a quarter mile of track featuring bustling model trains, all set in the winter garden of the Morris Arboretum. The buildings are decorated for the holidays with twinkling lights.

The grand opening celebration will be held *Saturday, November 26*, 1-3 p.m. and will include the sounds of carolers. Kids and adults will also have the opportunity to make an ornament or decoration from natural materials to take home. A *Holiday Hat Parade* will be the kick off to the two week-extended hours visitation on *December 17* at 4 p.m. Come in a cozy, festive hat and parade down to the Holiday Garden Railway from the Visitor's Center. Free with regular garden admission. See [www.morrisarboretum.org](http://www.morrisarboretum.org)

### Morris Arboretum Holiday Classes

Register: [www.morrisarboretum.org](http://www.morrisarboretum.org)

*Holiday Wreath Making—Saturday, December 3*. Create a wreath from fresh evergreen boughs. Section A: 10:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.; Section B: 1:30-3:30 p.m.; \$55, \$45/members.

*Decorated Holiday Tabletop Tree Arrangements—Thursday, December 8*. Design your own tree from long lasting greens, and choose your colors for bows and glass balls with fresh flowers. Section A: 10:30 a.m.-1 p.m.; Section B: 6-8:30 p.m.; \$60, \$50/members.

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### Toys for Tots Holiday Skate

The Penn Ice Rink will host a *Toys for Tots Holiday Skate* at the Class of 1923 Arena on *Saturday, December 17* at 5:45 p.m. and *Sunday, December 18* at 1:30 p.m., free public skating admission with a donation to Toys for Tots.



## DINING

### University Club's Holiday Reception

Dine before or after you shop at the Bookstore's Salebration! The University Club will ring in the holidays with a special lunch on *December 8 and 9*, 11:30 a.m.-2 p.m. with holiday goodies and cheer! No reservations needed, seating is first-come, first-served. The event is open to members and non-members with a PennCard.

### Winterfest Beer Tasting at World Cafe Live

*Winterfest Beer Tasting—Monday, December 26*. Sample the offerings of over 30 American craft breweries; 5-9 p.m.; \$55 (ages 21+).

## SPECIAL EVENTS

### Kwanzaa Celebration

The Makuu Black Cultural Center is hosting a *Kwanzaa Celebration Dinner, Thursday, December 8*, 6 p.m. in Hall of Flags, Houston Hall.

### CA Christmas Party

The Christian Association's annual *Christmas Party* will take place on *Friday, December 9* at 5:30 p.m. for students, faculty and staff.

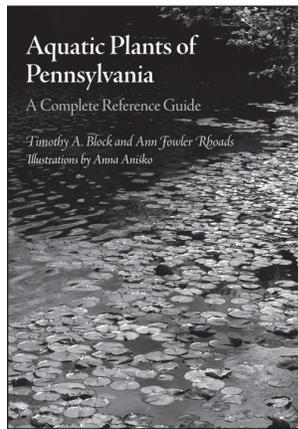
# Fabulous Finds for Fans of Facts or Fiction

Want a special gift for the book-lover on your holiday gift list? Well, there are numerous new books hot off the press again this year.

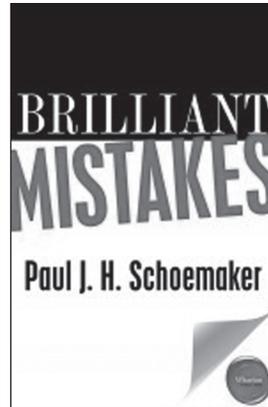
The Penn Bookstore has many to choose from—factual and fictional, personal and pictorial, historical and innovative. These are some of the many new books by Penn authors—faculty, students and alumni. Not only are there books from Penn Press, but there are options from Wharton Digital Press as well. For shoppers who want to preview the collections by Penn Press visit [www.upenn.edu/pennpress](http://www.upenn.edu/pennpress) before visiting the Bookstore. Print books and ebooks from Wharton Digital Press are available at <http://wdp.wharton.upenn.edu>



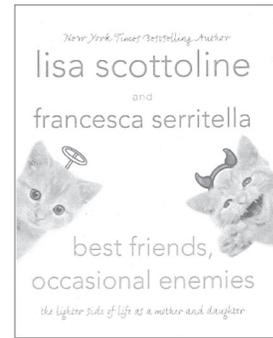
*The Phantom Tollbooth*; Norton Juster, Ar'52; this classic children's book, for ages 10 and up, is the story of a boy named Milo and his strange and pun-packed adventures. Marking its 50th anniversary, the latest edition includes a preface by Mr. Juster; essays by authors, educators, and artists; photos of Mr. Juster and illustrator Jules Feiffer; and an essay by Maurice Sendak that appeared in the 35th anniversary edition. Paperback \$6.99.



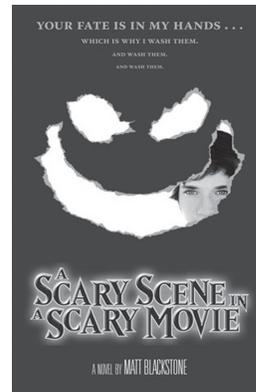
*Aquatic Plants of Pennsylvania: A Complete Reference Guide*; Timothy A. Block and Ann Fowler Rhoads, Morris Arboretum and the Pennsylvania Flora Project; and Ann Fowler Rhoads, Pennsylvania Flora Project; highlights the diversity and vital ecological importance of this group of plants, providing photographs, illustrations, descriptions, and identification keys for all emergent, floating-leaved, and submergent aquatic plants found in the Commonwealth; Penn Press. Cloth \$59.95.



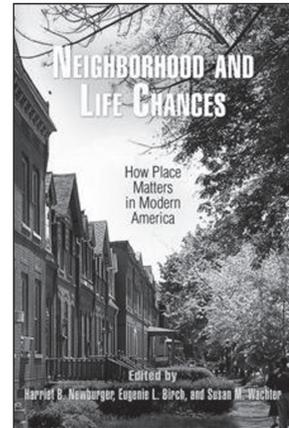
*Brilliant Mistakes: Finding Success on the Far Side of Failure*; Paul Schoemaker, adjunct professor of marketing and director of Mack Center for Technological Innovation at Wharton; shows how many life-changing innovations resulted from mistakes; Wharton Digital Press. Paperback/ebook \$15.99.



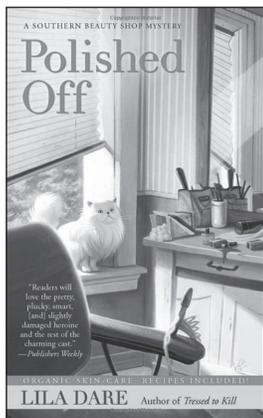
*Best Friends, Occasional Enemies: The Lighter Side of Life as a Mother and Daughter*; Lisa Scottoline, C'77, L'81; and her daughter, Francesca Serritella; a hilarious new collection of essays that observe life from a mother/daughter perspective. Hardcover \$24.99.



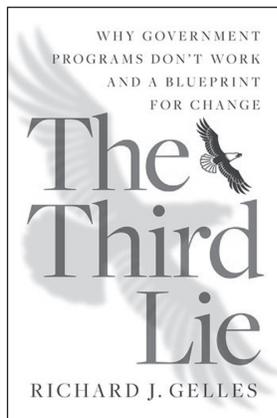
*A Scary Scene in a Scary Movie*; Matt Blackstone, C'03; Mr. Blackstone's debut novel is a real and honest account of a teen struggling with Obsessive Compulsive Disorder. Hardcover \$16.99.



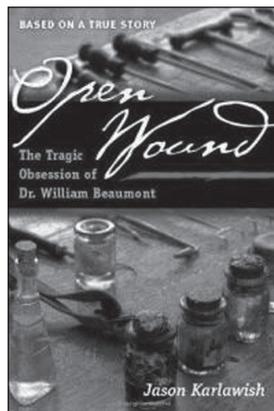
*Neighborhood and Life Chances: How Place Matters in Modern America*; Eugenie L. Birch, Lawrence C. Nussdorf Professor of Urban Research and Education, School of Design; Susan M. Wachter, Richard P. Worley professor of financial management, real estate and finance, Wharton, city and regional planning, School of Design; and Harriet B. Newburger, Federal Reserve Bank of Philadelphia; essays about how environment affects children; Penn Press. Hardcover \$59.95.



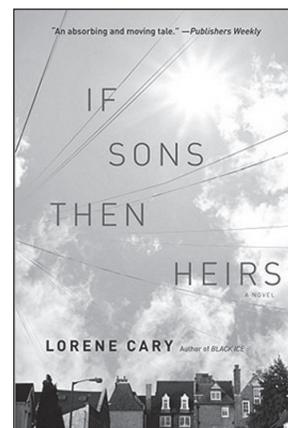
*Polished Off* (*Southern Beauty Shop*); Lila Dare, G'90; hairdresser Grace Terhune returns in this sequel to find a nail file-wielding murderer. Paperback \$7.99.



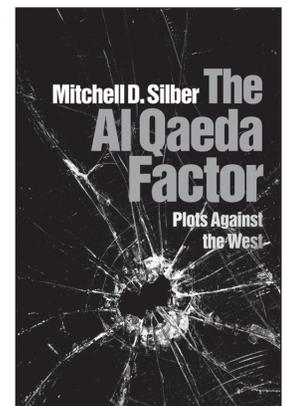
*The Third Lie: Why Government Programs Don't Work and a Blueprint for Change*; Richard Gelles, dean, SP2; analysis of why government programs are not effective. Paperback \$22.95.



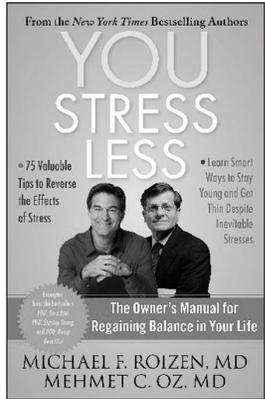
*Open Wound: The Tragic Obsession of Dr. William Beaumont*; Jason Karlawish, professor of medicine and medical ethics, Perelman School of Medicine; a historical novel that fictionalizes the complex relationship between Beaumont and his patient. Hardcover \$24.



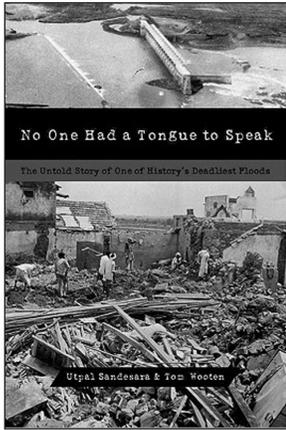
*If Sons Then Heirs: A Novel*; Lorene Cary, lecturer in English, SAS; taking place in Philadelphia, this novel explores a racial history that haunts and impoverishes its characters. Hardcover \$24.



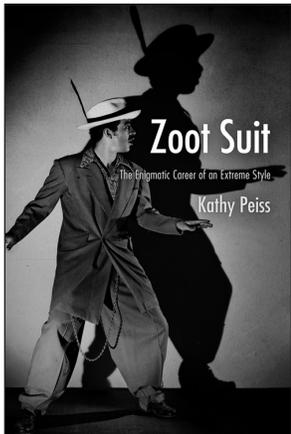
*The Al Qaeda Factor: Plots Against the West*; Mitchell D. Silber, C'92; Mr. Silber demonstrates that the role of Al Qaeda is very limited even in plots with direct involvement. In the majority of cases, individuals went to Al Qaeda seeking aid or training, but even then there was limited direct command and control of the terrorists' activities; Penn Press. Cloth \$39.95.



**YOU: Stress Less: The Owner's Manual for Regaining Balance in Your Life;** Mehmet Oz, WG'86, M'86; Michael Roizen, Cleveland Clinic Wellness Institute; guide to reducing stress levels and improving your life. Paperback \$8.99.

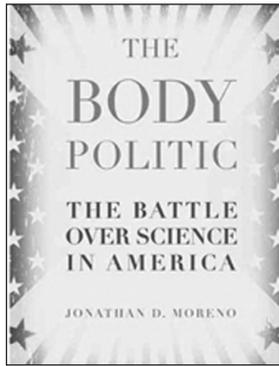


**No One Had a Tongue to Speak: The Untold Story of One of History's Deadliest Floods;** Utpal Sandesara, graduate student in anthropology, SAS; Tom Wooten, coauthor; nonfiction account revealing the profound human tragedy of the 1979 Machhu dam disaster in India, a flash flood that killed as many as 25,000 people. Hardcover \$25.

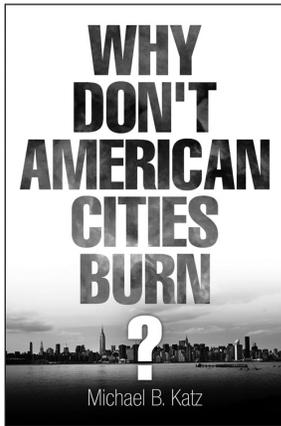


**Zoot Suit: The Enigmatic Career of an Extreme Style;** Kathy Peiss, Roy F. and Jeanette P. Nichols Professor of American History, SAS; an exploration of this extreme fashion and its mysterious career during World War II and after, as it spread from Harlem across the United States and around the world; Penn Press. Cloth \$24.95.

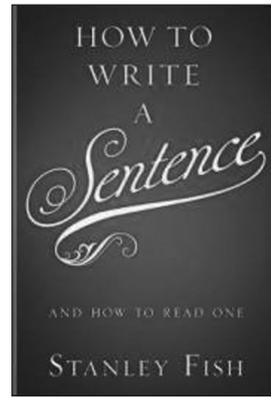
**Women's Health and the World's Cities;** edited by Afaf Meleis, Margaret Bond Simon Dean of Nursing; co-directors of the Penn Institute for Urban Research: Eugenie Birch, Lawrence C. Nussdorf Professor of Urban Research and Education, School of Design, and Susan Wachter, Richard P. Worley Professor of Financial Management, professor of real estate and finance in Wharton, professor of city and regional planning, School of Design; collection of essays linking gender and city environment; Penn Press. Hardcover \$55.



**The Body Politic: The Battle Over Science in America;** Jonathan Moreno, David and Lyn Silfen University Professor, medical ethics and health policy in Perelman School of Medicine and history and sociology of science in SAS; how biological discoveries play into America's value system. Paperback \$18.95.



**Why Don't American Cities Burn?;** Michael Katz, Walter H. Annenberg Professor of History, SAS; shows how the divergence of black social structures produced a new African American inequality and explores the reasons American cities since the early 1970s have remained relatively free of collective violence while black men in bleak inner-city neighborhoods have turned their rage inward on one another rather than on the agents and symbols of a culture and political economy that exclude them; Penn Press. Cloth \$29.95.

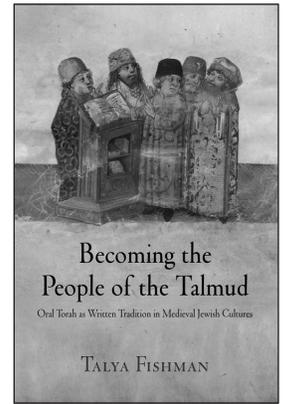


**How to Write a Sentence: And How to Read One;** Stanley Fish, C'59; Mr. Fish marvels at the adeptness of finely crafted sentences and breaks them down into digestible morsels, giving readers an instant play-by-play. Hardcover \$19.99.

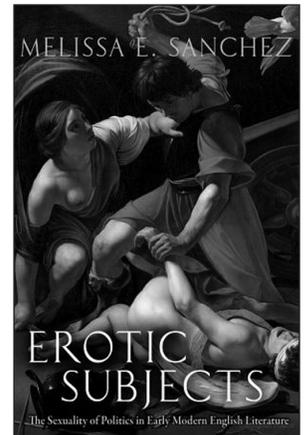


**La Villa (Penn Studies in Landscape Architecture);** original author Bartolomeo Taegio; edited and translated by Thomas Beck, G'01; the first English translation of the 1559 Italian text, this work reveals the symbolic and metaphorical significance of 16th century gardens for their owners. Hardcover \$65.

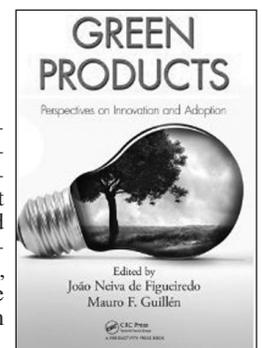
**Green Products: Perspectives on Innovation and Adoption;** edited by Mauro F. Guillén, director, Lauder Institute, Dr. Felix Zandman Professor of International Management and professor of management in Wharton; and João Neiva de Figueiredo, St. Joseph's University; mapping the universe of green products, this book supplies an in-depth analysis of the key factors that influence the adoption of green sustainable products. Hardcover \$49.95.



**Becoming the People of the Talmud: Oral Torah as Written Tradition in Medieval Jewish Cultures;** Talya Fishman, associate professor of religious studies, SAS; an examination of ways in which circumstances of transmission have shaped the cultural meaning of Jewish traditions; Penn Press. Cloth \$65.



**Erotic Subjects: The Sexuality of Politics in Early Modern English Literature;** Melissa Sanchez, Stephen M. Gorn Family Assistant Professor of English; discusses the political importance of early modern literature's fascination with eroticized violence. Hardcover \$74.



# Gifts of Involvement

An array appropriate for ardent aficionados and advocates of archaeology, anthropology, art, arboreta, athletics and academia.

**... Penn Pride:** Shop the 2011 *Treasures of Penn* gift catalog and choose from a wide selection of merchandise bearing the Penn trademarks including new items such as a keepsake box made from the Palestra hardwood and natural marble coasters featuring iconic campus images. Visit [www.upenn.edu/pennbookstore/gifts](http://www.upenn.edu/pennbookstore/gifts). For a limited time, free shipping for all catalog and online orders is being offered. Shown above is the keepsake box with the University of Pennsylvania shield presented on the velveteen lined storage box.



**... Stage Spectacular:** The *Annenberg Center* will stage numerous shows including classical, gospel and jazz music; ballet and modern dance; and world discovery performances now through May. Get a jump on your holiday shopping with a unique gift for friends and family. Annenberg Center gift certificates are available in any amount, and are redeemable for all Annenberg Center or Dance Celebration performances. Make a gift to the Annenberg Center Annual Fund in celebration of its 40th anniversary season. Subscribers benefit from discounts, priority seating and more. For information: (215) 898-3900 or [www.annenbergcenter.org](http://www.annenbergcenter.org)



**... Sweet Sounds:** *WXPn 88.5 FM*, Penn's member-supported radio station offers several membership choices for those who enjoy discovering emerging artists and re-discovering some old favorites. Benefits include discounts on tickets and at local businesses, first notice of Free at Noon concerts and a behind the scenes look at what is going on at XPN. Gift certificates are also available. More membership options and benefits can be found at [www.xpn.org](http://www.xpn.org)

*World Cafe Live* provides a year-round musical venue of live performances as well as a restaurant serving lunch and dinner. Gift certificates are available for purchase. For information see [www.worldcafelive.com](http://www.worldcafelive.com)



**... Literary Lovers:** *Friends of the Kelly Writers House* help sustain seminars, readings and webcasts. Friends will be acknowledged in the *Writers House Annual*, which is available on their website and in print. Membership levels: \$40, \$100, \$250, \$500, William Carlos Williams Circle: \$1,000, and Emily Dickinson Circle: \$2,500 or more. Information: <http://writing.upenn.edu/wh/support>



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**... What a Wonderful World:** Membership at *International House Philadelphia* supports programming that promotes cross-cultural awareness and diversity. Celebrating its 100th anniversary, the International House offers international arts and humanities programs to its residents and the broader community. Membership benefits include reduced prices or free admission for select events, invitations to members-only events, and discounts to local restaurants. For the various membership levels, see <http://ihousephilly.org/give/membership/>

**... Marvelous Museum:** Those who treasure the past will be delighted with a full year's membership to the *University of Pennsylvania Museum of Archaeology and Anthropology*. Members enjoy free, unlimited general admission, free tickets to special exhibits and advance ticketing opportunities, 10% discounts at the Museum Shops and the Pepper Mill Cafe, invitations to openings and other members-only events, and a subscription to the members-only newsletter. Members are kept up-to-date on the latest discoveries from the Museum's worldwide fieldwork and research. To join call (215) 898-5093 or visit [www.penn.museum/become-a-member.html](http://www.penn.museum/become-a-member.html). For \$35 participate in the Adopt an Artifact program which includes an adoption certificate, a color photo, and detailed information about the chosen artifact. Adoptions support the proper care for the artifacts housed in the Museum. For information, visit [www.penn.museum/adopt-an-artifact.html](http://www.penn.museum/adopt-an-artifact.html)



**... Alluring Art:** Members of the *Institute of Contemporary Art* receive free admission to selected events, invitations to free members-only exhibition walkthroughs with artists and curators, pre-invite announcement cards for all exhibitions, access to ICA's library, discounts on selected Annenberg Center performing arts programs and special discounts at area restaurants and businesses. Membership levels range from \$40-\$2,500. Information: (215) 898-7108 or [www.ICAphila.org/support](http://www.ICAphila.org/support)

*Arthur Ross Gallery* offers those who contribute \$50 or more invitations to preview opening receptions and special events, and the schedule of upcoming exhibitions, in addition to free admission to exhibitions, lectures and programs. Young Friends/Student membership is \$25. Receive the same benefits as other donors. For more information call (215) 898-2803 or visit [www.upenn.edu/ARG/friend.html](http://www.upenn.edu/ARG/friend.html)

**... Botanical Beauty:** Members of the *Morris Arboretum*, Pennsylvania's official arboretum, receive free admission all year long, 10% discount in the gift shop, 20% discount on educational classes and excursions, *Seasons* newsletter, plant sale members-only day, plus 1 free bonus plant, Morris Arboretum automobile decal, admission privileges to over 200 gardens and arboreta through the American Horticulture Society Reciprocal Admissions Program, discounts for local garden centers and invitations to events and lectures. For your favorite gardener, the Arboretum Shop has garden tools, garden-inspired home items, toys and books for kids, and the gardening books for the professional and amateur. Members receive a one-time 20% discount all month long in December. The membership form is online at [www.morrisarboretum.org](http://www.morrisarboretum.org). Or call The Shop at Morris Arboretum: (215) 247-5777 x198.



**... Delectable Delights:** The *Any Time Meal Voucher* (valid for breakfast, lunch or dinner) is available for purchase at Stouffer Commons for \$11.95. Valid in any Bon Apétit at Penn Dining residential dining café.

A gift of a *University Club at Penn membership* is something unique and useful, continuing to give all year. Membership is open to faculty, staff, alumni, graduate students, emeritus and retired staff! Privileges include complimentary morning refreshments, special events, 10% discounts at Penne Restaurant and Wine Bar and the University Living Room at the Inn at Penn, and access to 100+ Reciprocal Clubs in the United States and around the world. For more information contact the University Club at (215) 898-4618 or email [universityclub@pobox.upenn.edu](mailto:universityclub@pobox.upenn.edu)



**... Feeling Fit:** *The Penn Ice Rink at the Class of 1923 Arena* offers a discount book of 10 admission passes to any public skating session for \$45 with a PennCard or \$55 for the public. Why not stuff a stocking with skating lessons? Five weeks of group lessons, beginning the week of January 9, are available for ages 4 through adult in a variety



of skill levels. The deadline for registering for lessons is one week before the first session. Cost: \$115, \$10 discount for registering and paying two weeks in advance. Information: (215) 898-1923 or [www.upenn.edu/icerink/](http://www.upenn.edu/icerink/)  
*Levy Tennis Pavilion* memberships are \$15 students and spouses; \$40 faculty, staff and spouses; \$60 alumni; \$75 public; \$40 senior citizens; \$6 guest fee. Information: (215) 898-4741.

The *Department of Recreation* offers gift certificates for massage therapy and the juice bar, Energy Zone. Information: (215) 898-6100 or visit [www.upenn.edu/recreation](http://www.upenn.edu/recreation)