December at Penn

ACADEMIC CALENDAR
12 Last day of classes.
13 Reading days. Through December 14.
15 Final examinations. Through December 22.
22 Fall term ends.

CHILDREN’S ACTIVITIES
27 Penn Museum Winter Break; recharge with in-person family time at the Penn Museum, featuring free gallery tours, story times, arts and crafts, and other activities; 10 a.m.-5 p.m.; Penn Museum; free with admission; info: https://www.penn.museum/calendar/1392/winter-break (Penn Museum). Through December 30.
Morris Arboretum
In-person events at Morris Arboretum unless noted. Info: https://www.morrisarboretum.org/.
1 Holiday Garden Railway; visitors of all ages will be wowed by a quarter mile of track featuring loops, tunnels, bridges, cable cars, and bustling model trains, all set in the lovely winter garden of the Morris Arboretum; 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Through December 30.
Holiday Garden Railway; Nighttime Express; a special ticketed event where visitors can experience the illuminated magic of the Holiday Garden Railway during wintery nights; 4:30-8 p.m. Through December 30.

CONFERENCES
3 Penn Vet Shelter Medicine Symposium; aims to provide continuing education while facilitating connections among animal shelter leadership, staff, volunteers, and veterinarians in the Philadelphia shelter community; 9 a.m.-4:30 p.m.; Hill Pavilion; register: https://tinyurl.com/vet-conf-dec-3 (Penn Vet). Also December 4, 9 a.m.-4 p.m.

EXHIBITS
Museums Near Campus
For up-to-date information about exhibits, prices, hours and COVID-19 restrictions for several museums on and near Penn’s campus, visit these websites.
Arthur Ross Gallery: http://www.arthurross-gallery.org/visit/schedule-your-visit/.
Brodsky Gallery: http://writing.upenn.edu/w/involved/series/brodskygallery/.
Meyerson Hall: https://tinyurl.com/y27c5dty.
Morris Arboretum: http://www.morrisarboretum.org/visit_hours.shtml.

Penn Museum: https://www.penn.museum/visit/plan-your-visit.
Quorum: https://sciencecenter.org/discover/quotum.
SloUGHT: https://slought.org/.
Van Pelt Library: https://library.upenn.edu/about/hours/vp.
Wistar Institute: https://wistar.org/.

Now
Arthur Tress and the Japanese Illustrated Book; displaying a selection of Japanese books from the Arthur Tress collection along with his own photography, this exhibition engages Mr. Tress’s practices as both artist and collector, juxtaposing the two media to present moments of unexpected visual poetry that resonate across age and place; time; Goldstein Gallery, sixth floor, Van Pelt Library. Through December 16.
John E. Dowell: Paths to Freedom; presents 26 large-scale photographs and an immersive installation by Philadelphia-based artist John E. Dowell, who took photos that were staged in cotton fields at night and which conjure the spirits of his enslaved ancestors as they sought freedom; Arthur Ross Gallery, Fisher Fine Arts Building. Through December 18.
Sissel Tolaas: RE_________; the largest presentation to date of Norwegian-born artist Sissel Tolaas’s work, which has been devoted to the olfactory rather than the visual or auditory; all the works on display are site-specific, developed or reworked especially for this exhibition; Institute of Contemporary Art. Through December 30.
Book.Data.File.; explores digitized books and resources and answers the question of what it takes to make digital objects useful for research; pushes the boundaries of data-driven research and scholarship with library collections; Kamin Gallery, first floor, Van Pelt Library. Through March 7, 2023.
Excluded/Inclusion: The Work of Chen Lok Lee; 18 prints, watercolors, and lithographs show the journey of Chen Lok Lee, a political refugee who swam to Hong Kong to escape Chinese political persecution; shows the human spirit of determination, personal agency, and the power of choice to survive; Arts Lounge, Annenberg Center. Through May 31, 2023.

Ongoing Special Exhibits
Artwork from the “I Am” Collective; various artists from the “I Am” Collective, a storytelling initiative showcasing the diversity of social identities that exist within Penn, finish the sentence “I am...”, creating a blend of ink, paint, words, passion, and power; Brodsky Gallery.
Ancient Egypt: From Discovery to Display; provides a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to walk in the shoes of an archaeologist; includes more than 200 fascinating objects, many of which have never been on view before, throughout a three-part, 6,000-square-foot exhibition; Penn Museum. Eastern Mediterranean Gallery; contains 400 artifacts from the Eastern Mediterranean, which has been a crossroads of cultural exchange between diverse peoples, where merchants, migrants, and soldiers met to raise monuments to kings and gods, sail ships across the vast Mediterranean Sea, and share ideas in unexpected ways; Penn Museum.
U-2 Spy Planes & Aerial Archaeology; offers a look at the United States military’s top-secret aerial reconnaissance during the 1950s and 1960s, the key geographic features and lost landscapes they captured accidentally, and the role of “aerial archaeology,” using large-scale printed images and a small selection of objects from the Penn collection; West Merle-Smith Gallery, Penn Museum.

FILMS
7 Scene Not Heard: Women in Philadelphia Hip Hop and Hip Hop: Beyond Beats and Rhymes; a film tells the story of women hip-hop artists from Philadelphia as they struggle to succeed in a male-dominated industry, followed by a critical look at masculinity in hip-hop culture; 7:30 p.m.; Bruce Montgomery Theater, Annenberg Center; tickets: https://tinyurl.com/pla-film-dec-7 (Penn Live Arts).
8 Freestyle: The Art of Rhyme; chronicles the underground hip-hop culture of improvisational rap in the ‘80s and ‘90s, packed with rare, archival footage of some of the best MCs in history; 7:30 p.m.; Bruce Montgomery Theater, Annenberg Center; tickets: https://pennlivearts.org/event/freestyle-the-art-of-rhyme (Penn Live Arts).

New Italian Cinema, 2022 Edition
9 Tapirulan (Treadmill); 3 p.m.; Europa; 6 p.m.
10 Altari Padri (Other Fathers); 3 p.m.; Piccolo Corpo (Small Body); 6 p.m.
11 Occhi Blu (Blue Eyes); 3 p.m.; I Nostri Fantasmi (Our Ghosts); 6 p.m.

FITNESS & LEARNING
1 RealArts@Penn Internships: Info Session; learn how to launch a career in media with RealArts@Penn, which offers paid summer internships in publishing, TV and film, journalism, public relations, talent management, music, theater, and museums; noon; Arts Café, Kelly Writers House, and YouTube livestream; register: https://forms.gle/D8mTykypmDacmWwc9 (RealArts@Penn).

ALMANAC November 22, 2022
Penn Home Ownership Services Webinar: Home Buying 101; an overview of the entire homebuying process; 1 p.m.; registration required: https://homeownership.business-services.upenn.edu/register-phs-webinar (Business Services).

Jewelry, Gems, and the Penn Museum; join a trained gemologist to look closely at the history of stunningly crafted jewelry and gems on display at the Penn Museum, then design and create your own jewelry keepsake; 6-8 p.m.; Penn Museum; tickets: $40/adult, $30/member; register: https://tinyurl.com/museum-gems-jewelry (Penn Museum).

Chinese Queer Women’s Group; Mandarin-speaking group open to Chinese queer women who identify as cisgender women, transgender women, non-binary, and questioning; 4 p.m.; lounge, LGBT Center; info: yupuwang@alumni.upenn.edu (LGBT Center). Also December 17.

Penn Nursing & Project Knitwell - Fixing Common Mistakes in Knitting; knitting group that will discuss what common mistakes may occur for beginners and advanced knitters; 7 p.m.; online webinar; register: https://www.nursing.upenn.edu/details/forms.php?id=171 (Penn Nursing, Project Knitwell).

Working Dog Center Tour; watch as the Working Dog Center staff explains the step-by-step process to preparing a dog to serve as in explosive detection, search & rescue, cancer detection, and more; 2 p.m.; Penn Working Dog Center; RSVP: pvwdocoutreach@vet.upenn.edu (Penn Vet).

Netter Center for Community Partnerships Nonprofit Institute; will give the tools needed to manage nonprofit or faith-based organizations more efficiently, and will feature workshops by local experts in the field of nonprofit management; 8:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m.; Netter Center for Community Partnerships; register: sammapp@gobox.upenn.edu (Netter Center for Community Partnerships).

Caregiving Now!; Alexandra Drane, ARCH-ANGELS; an initiative designed to address the immediate need to improve caregiving in the U.S.; noon; Zoom webinar; register: https://tinyurl.com/drane-workshop-dec-14 (Penn Nursing).

African American Resource Center Locations TBA. Info: https://aarc.upenn.edu/events.

Men of Color (Monthly Huddle Meeting); 1 p.m.

Women of Color at Penn Noontime Lunch Series; noon.

Community Lunch Program: Open Forum with African American Resource Center and Penn Women’s Center; noon.

College of Liberal & Professional Studies Info: www.upenn.edu/lps-events.

Master of Liberal Arts Virtual Information Session; noon.

Master of Science in Applied Geosciences Virtual Café; noon.

Master of Environmental Studies Virtual Café; noon.

7 Fels Institute of Government Virtual Information Session; 9:30 a.m.

Master of Chemical Sciences Virtual Information Session; 5 p.m.

Bachelor of Applied Arts and Sciences Virtual Information Session; noon.

Pre-Health Post-Baccalaureate Programs Virtual Information Session; 5 p.m.

Graduate School of Education Online events unless noted. Info: https://www.gse.upenn.edu/news/events-calendar.

1 International Trip Leader Training; 9 a.m.; World Forum, Perry World House.

2 First Friday Virtual Info Sessions: International Educational Development Program; 9 a.m.

6 Executive Doctorate in Higher Education Management Program Information Session; 6 p.m.

Penn GSE Virtual Information Session: Mañalva; 6 p.m.

Virtual Information Session: Global Higher Education Management (Online) MSED; 7 p.m.

Human Resources Workshops Online events unless noted. Info: https://www.hr.upenn.edu.

20 30-Minute Guided Meditation; noon. Also December 9, 16.

5 Chair Yoga Plus Core; noon. Also December 12, 19.

6 Developing A Journaling Practice for Calm and Self-Care; noon.

Understanding Social Security with Metlife; noon.

Applying Leadership Basics; noon.

Virgin Pulse Wellness Platform Demo; noon.

Caregiving with Mindfulness; noon.

Managing Holiday Stress; 12:30 p.m.

Chair Yoga; noon.

Monthly Wellness Walk - Holiday Style; noon; meet at Ben Franklin statue, College Hall.

Guided Mindful Meditation; noon.

Healthy Holiday Eating Workshop with Corporate Wellness Nutrition; noon.

Creating and Maintaining Your LinkedIn Profile; 12:30 p.m.

Later Career-Creating Your Financial Foundation with PNC Bank; noon.

Morris Arboretum In-person events at Morris Arboretum unless noted. Info: https://www.morrisarboretum.org.

1 SCRAATCH; performance by duo E. Jane and Chukwumaa, who create multimedia performance works, experimental music, and hybrid DJ sets; 6 p.m.; Institute of Contemporary Art; register: https://tinyurl.com/scraatch-in-person; Zoom webinar; register: https://tinyurl.com/sca-weitzman-lectures (Fine Arts, ICA).
Music Department Fall Concerts
In-person fall concerts by Penn music ensembles. Info: https://music.sas.upenn.edu/events.

3 Penn Flutes at the Museum; 1 p.m.; 3rd floor Rotunda, Penn Museum.

Penn Chorale; 7 p.m.; St. Mary’s Church, 3916 Locust Walk.

Music in the Stacks: Penn Flutes Holiday Concert; 4 p.m.; main lobby, Van Pelt Library.

5 Penn Collegium Musicum; 7:30 p.m.; St. Mary’s Church, 3916 Locust Walk.

7 Penn Sound Collective; 7:30 p.m.; room 419, Fisher-Bennett Hall.

8 Penn Arab Music Ensemble; 8 p.m.; Bodek Lounge, Houston Hall.

9 Penn Chamber; 7 p.m.; room 419, Fisher-Bennett Hall.

10 Penn Symphony Orchestra: Sibelius Symphony No. 2; 8 p.m.; Irvine Auditorium.

12 Penn Samba; 7 p.m.; Hall of Flags, Houston Hall.

ON STAGE

8 In Between; an award-winning, semi-autobiographical one-man show written and performed by Ibrahim Miar that portrays the complexities and contradictions inherent in Palestinian-Israeli identity; 7 p.m.; Penn Museum; tickets: $20/adult; $15/member; $15/student; register: https://www.penn.museum/calendar/1388/in-between (Penn Museum). Also December 11, 2 p.m.

9 Rennie Harris Puremovement: Rome & Jewels; a complete re-mounting of one of celebrated choreographer Rennie Harris’s most celebrated works, which challenges preconceived notions of Shakespeare with a hip hop journey through the streets of Philadelphia; 8 p.m.; Zellerbach Theater, Annenberg Center; tickets: https://pennlivearts.org/event/rennie-harris-puremovement-1102 (Penn Live Arts). Also December 10, 2 and 8 p.m.

16 Classic Nutcracker: Rock Dance; a treat for the whole family, ushering in the spirit of the season as it brings Clara’s story to life, featuring choreography by Peter Stark, Rock School; 7 p.m.; Zellerbach Theater, Annenberg Center; tickets: https://pennlivearts.org/event/the-rocket-company-classic-nutcracker (Penn Live Arts). Also December 17, 1 and 6 p.m.; December 18, 1 p.m.

READINGS & SIGNINGS

2 China’s Next Act: How Sustainability and Technology are Reshaping China’s Rise and the World’s Future; Scott Moore, Penn Global; 12:30 p.m.; room 418, Fisher-Bennett Hall (Gender, Sexuality & Women’s Studies).

6 Joan is Okay; Weike Wang, author; 1:45 p.m.; room 419, Fisher-Bennett Hall; register: https://tinyurl.com/wang-reading-dec-6 (Asian American Studies).

7 Advanced Witnessing: A Reading By Syd Zolfo’s Students; an unforgettable reading by the students in ENGL3105, Advanced Poetry, and ENGL3501, Writing & Witnessing; 5:30 p.m.; Arts Café, Kelly Writers House, and YouTube livestream; join: https://youtu.be/no27IJvwayw (Kelly Writers House).

9 Making Scientific Lives; Arthur Wang, Annenberg School; 5 p.m.; room 330, Fisher-Bennett Hall; info: jonick@sas.upenn.edu or elombard@sas.upenn.edu (English).

Curious Minds: The Power of Connection; Dani Bassett, physics & astronomy; Perry Zurn, American University; includes discussion and signing; 5:30 p.m.; Penn Bookstore (Penn Bookstore).

SPECIAL EVENTS

1 SHOP PENN Days of Deals; special events, discounts, contest giveaways, and experiences; info: shopsatpenn.com (SHOP PENN). Through December 12.

7 Penn Bookstore Sale-A-Bration; take advantage of a 20% off discount storewide while enjoying a seasonal performance by the Penn Glee Club, hot chocolate and cookies, and a photo booth; 8:30 a.m.-8 p.m.; Penn Bookstore (Business Services). Also December 8.

12 Penn Nursing December Graduate Recognition Ceremony; 10 a.m.; Irvine Auditorium (Penn Nursing).

SPORTS

Home games only. Info and tickets: https://pennathletics.com/

1 Women’s Basketball vs. Stony Brook; 7 p.m.; the Palestra.

3 Men’s Squash vs. Rochester; 1 p.m.; Penn Squash Center.

Men’s Basketball vs. La Salle; 2 p.m.; the Palestra.

Men’s Squash vs. Haverford; 4 p.m.; Penn Squash Center.

4 Men’s Squash vs. Chatham; 11 a.m.; Penn Squash Center.

6 Women’s Basketball vs. Bucknell; 7 p.m.; the Palestra.

8 Women’s Basketball vs. St. Francis Brooklyn; 7 p.m.; the Palestra.

9 Wrestling vs. Army; 7 p.m.; the Palestra.

10 Men’s Basketball vs. Temple; 1 p.m.; the Palestra.

11 Women’s Basketball vs. Temple; noon; the Palestra.

28 Men’s Basketball vs. Wilkes; 2 p.m.; the Palestra.

30 Women’s Basketball vs. Gwynedd Mercy; 2 p.m.; the Palestra.

TALKS

1 Documentary of Abandonment: Reportage, Art, and Photography as Intermedia in Early South Korea; Jae Won Chung, Rutgers University, New Brunswick; noon; room 623, Williams Hall (Korean Studies).

The History & Future of The Indian Child Welfare Act: Implications for Tribal Sovereignty and Native Family Preservation; panel of speakers; 2 p.m.; online webinar; register: https://tinyurl.com/carey-law-talk-dec-2 (Carey Law School).

Coordination of Cell Fate Specification and Morphogenesis in Early Trachea Development; Jeffrey Bush, University of California, San Francisco; 4 p.m.; room 11-146, Smilow Center (Penn-CHOP Lung Biology Series).

Using Large-Scale Comparative-Omic Analyses to Uncover Functional Elements in Plant Genomes; Andrew Nelson, Boyce Thompson Institute; 4 p.m.; auditorium, Claire Fagin Hall, and Zoom webinar; join: https://www.bio.upenn.edu/events/seminars/zoom (Biology).

China’s Technology Engagement With the World, On the Brink of Decoupling?; Paul Triolo, Albright Stonebridge Group; 4:30 p.m.; room 418, PCPSE (Center for the Study of Contemporary China).

Perseus and Medusa at Eleusis (Between Athens and Argos); Jeremy McNerney, classical studies; 4:45 p.m.; room 402, Cohen Hall (Classical Studies).

Fels Racial Equity & Social Justice Speaker Conversation Series; Isaiah Thomas, Philadelphia City Council; 6 p.m.; location TBA; register: https://www.fels.upenn.edu/events/isaiah-thomas (Fels Institute of Government).

2 Fútbol, Futebol, and Nation: Identity, Class, and Gender in Latin America’s Most Popular Sport; Brenda Elsey, Hofstra University; noon;
1. How Teachers Learn Racial Competency; Constance Lindsay, University of North Carolina; 12:30 p.m.; Spady Room, Fox-Fels Hall, and Zoom webinar; info: nbahti@upenn.edu (Graduate School of Education).

2. Mechanisms of NAD+ Homeostasis in Aging and Disease; Melanie McReynolds, Penn State University; 2 p.m.; Austrian Auditorium, CRB, and Zoom webinar; join: https://penmedicine.zoom.us/j/99219477102 (Pennsylvania Muscle Institute).

3. Prophage Induction in Inflammatory Bowel Disease; Ana Cobian, microbiology; 4 p.m.; room 209, Johnson Pavilion, and BlueJeans meeting; join: https://tinyurl.com/cobian-talk-dec-5 (Microbiology).

4. COVID-19 Narratives: Portrayals of Risk, Embodiment and Otherness in Digital Media; Deborah Lupton, University of New South Wales; 5 p.m.; online webinar; info: https://www.asc.upenn.edu/news/events/events/ (Center on Digital Culture and Society).

5. The Anatomy of a Hospital System Merger: The Patient Did Not Respond Well to Treatment; Adam Sacarny, Columbia University; noon; room 473, McNeil Building, and Zoom webinar; info: https://clals.sas.upenn.edu/events/ (Center for Latin American & Latino Studies).

6. Civic Organizations and Political Socialization of LGBTQ+ People of Color; The Cases of Philadelphia and Los Angeles; Kimberly Cárdenas, political science; noon; room 473, McNeil Building, and Zoom webinar; info: https://clals.sas.upenn.edu/events/ (Center for Latin American & Latino Studies).

7. Give Us a Break: Using CT for Diagnosis of Equine Fracture and Infection; Catherine Thurstun, New Bolton Center; 6:30 p.m.; online webinar; register: https://tinyurl.com/thurstun-talk-dec-6 (Penn Vet).

8. The Relative Weights of Income & Substitution Effects in Insurance; Claudio Lucarelli, Wharton School; noon; room 1104, Blockley Hall, and Zoom webinar; join: https://upenn.zoom.us/j/95353951407 (Deans’ Distinguished Visiting Professorship seminar).

9. How Memory Guides Value-Based Decisions; Zev Binder, gender, sexuality & women’s studies; noon; room 345, Fisher-Bennett Hall, and Zoom webinar; info: https://gsws.sas.upenn.edu/events/ (GSWS).

10. Phage Therapy to Combat Infections by Antibiotic-Resistant Bacterial Pathogens; Paul Turner, Yale University; noon; Zoom webinar; join: https://primetime.bluejeans.com/a2n/live-event/xq8zwxfy (Microbiology).

11. Flexible Protein Networks in Membrane Biology and Medicine; Jeanne Stachowiak, University of Texas at Austin; 3:30 p.m.; Wu & Chen Auditorium, Levine Hall (Chemical and Biomolecular Engineering).

12. Becoming an UNESCO World Heritage Site; C. Brian Rose, classical studies; 6 p.m.; Penn Museum and online webinar; tickets: $15/student, $10/member, $5/virtual; register: https://tinyurl.com/roose-talk-dec-7 (Penn Museum).

13. The Intervention of American Law in Jewish Divorce; Suzanne Last Stone, Yeshiva University & Cardozo School of Law; noon; Zoom webinar; register: https://tinyurl.com/katz-center-jewish-law (Katz Center for Advanced Judaic Studies).

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16. The Other Disabled President: JFK, Low Back Pain & the Posture Sciences in Cold War America; Beth Linker, history & sociology of science; 5 p.m.; 1st floor conference room, Penn Medicine Rittenhouse, 1800 Lombard Street, and Microsoft Teams webinar; join: https://tinyurl.com/linker-talk-dec-20 (Deans’ Distinguished Visiting Professorship seminar).

Economics

17. In-person events. Info: https://economics.sas.upenn.edu/events.

18. The Heterogeneous Effects of Changing SAT Requirements in Admissions: An Equilibrium Evaluation; Emilio Borghesan, economics; noon; room 225, PCPSE.

19. What Explains the Decline of Local News Coverage? Evidence from U.S. Newspapers; Lucie L’Heude, economics; noon; room 200, PCPSE.

20. Monotone Additive Statistics; Xiaosheng Mu, Princeton University; 4 p.m.; room 101, PCPSE.

Medical Ethics & Health Policy

21. In-person events. Info: https://medicalethicshealthpolicy.med.upenn.edu/events.

22. Ethics and Medical Device Regulation: Balancing Safety and Innovation; Rita Redberg, University of California, San Francisco; noon; room 506, Jordan Medical Education Center.

23. Ethical Issues That Arise in the Ambulatory Medicine Setting; Marina Di Bartolo and Niharika Sathe, Rowan University; noon; room 1402, Blockley Hall.

24. The Ethics of Transplanting Organs from Donors with HIV or Hepatitis C Infection; Jeremy Sugarman, medical ethics & health policy; Peter Reese, Johns Hopkins University; 4:30 p.m.; auditorium, Jordan Medical Education Center.

25. Interrogating Choice in Disability Law and Bioethics; Jasmine Harris, Carey Law School; noon; room 1402, Blockley Hall.

Sociology


27. Linking Electronic Health Records and In-Depth Interviews to Uncover Barriers to Health and Well-Being Among Women in a Disadvantaged Coal-Mining Community; Jennifer Silva, University of Pennsylvania; noon.
