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*News & Announcements*

**President Launches "Presidential Initiatives to Increase Student Engagement"**

Requesting more opportunities to interact with faculty, Hunter students confirm national research suggesting that student success is linked to intellectual involvement within and beyond the classroom. In response, **President Raab** has created *the Presidential Initiatives to Increase Student Engagement* to fund student-faculty activities related to faculty courses and student participation in professional conferences; and to support students who participate in faculty research, scholarship or creative projects.

**Calling for Proposals**

Proposals for Presidential Initiatives for the 2008-09 academic year are still being accepted; please see <http://ww5.hunter.cuny.edu/student-engagement>. To learn more about the Student Engagement Initiatives and the proposal process, contact **Linda Carlson** at [linda.carlson@hunter.cuny.edu](mailto:linda.carlson@hunter.cuny.edu).

**Informed Registration Available for Spring 2009 Semester**

Meeting a long-standing student request for information about courses before they register, faculty can now provide such information online via the "Schedule of Classes" maintained by the Office of the Registrar. During the first registration period for the Spring 2009 semester, advance course information was provided for more than one-third of course sections. Initial student response has been very positive.

The system allows faculty to post their final syllabus (possibly replacing the advance information). Consider joining this initiative by posting your Spring 2009 syllabus now and advance information for Summer and Fall 2009 later in the term. More details are available at [http://www.hunter.cuny.edu/academics/provost\\_doc/informed\\_reg.shtml](http://www.hunter.cuny.edu/academics/provost_doc/informed_reg.shtml)

**Hunter College Senate Approves the Learning Outcomes Resolution With Support from The Undergraduate Course of Study Committee**

The *Learning Outcomes Resolution* calls for learning goals and objectives to be included on all course syllabi, but does not impose any specific learning outcomes or specific assessment measures on any course or instructor. The Provost's Office will be offering guidance and support for this initiative. We encourage you to add learning goals or outcomes to your syllabi as soon as you are able to formulate them. For more information, contact the Provost's Office.

**Database of Funding Opportunities Now Available**

The Hunter community now has access to the Foundation Directory, the leading licensed resource for identifying funding opportunities. The database offers complete profiles of the top

20,000 U. S. foundations, various public charities and corporate giving programs. You can also view current RFPs and recent foundation news; conduct searches by subject and recipient type; and see descriptions of recent grants.

The database is accessible at

<http://proxy.wexler.hunter.cuny.edu/login?url=http://fconline.fdncenter.org/ipl.php> or via the Hunter College Libraries Online Resources page, <http://library.hunter.cuny.edu/databases/index.php>.

### **Internship Opportunity**

**The Public Service Scholar Program** is recruiting students (with the exception of education and health professionals) for an internship program for the 09-10 academic year. The program offers students a year-long learning opportunity with a 20-hour per week internship in a public or nonprofit agency, and features two New York City-focused seminars taught by leaders in the public service community. Students receive 18 credits in Urban Studies and a \$6,000 stipend. Students applying to the program should have a GPA of 3.0 or higher and be within 45 credits of graduation by Fall 2009. Applications and brochures are available at [www.hunter.cuny.edu/pssp](http://www.hunter.cuny.edu/pssp) and at the Program Office, HW 1643. The application deadline is March 16, 2009. All interested students should contact Jennifer Shaffer ([pssp@hunter.cuny.edu](mailto:pssp@hunter.cuny.edu), Hunter West 1643.)

### **Sign Up for CUNY ALERT**

All faculty and staff are strongly encouraged to sign up for **CUNY ALERT**, a communication system which notifies the Hunter community of potential or actual emergency situations. The CUNY ALERT system will also notify subscribers of non-urgent situations, such as campus closings due to inclement weather. Messages can be received via cell phone (text and/or voice), telephone and e-mail.

Signing up for CUNY ALERT is free, easy and takes only a minute. Just click on the red and white CUNY ALERT logo found on Hunter's homepage or go to <http://web.cuny.edu/news/alert/html>.

### **Latest Issue of *At Hunter* Now Available**

If you have not received a copy of the winter issue of *At Hunter* and would like to, please contact the Office of Communications at [News@Hunter.cuny.edu](mailto:News@Hunter.cuny.edu).

### ***Welcome: New Hunter Faculty***

Hunter's new faculty members, Spring 2009:

**Mark Hauber** Associate Professor, Psychology

**Nancy Eng** Associate Professor,  
Communication Sciences  
Health Sciences

**Linda Alcott** Professor, Philosophy

<b>Deborah Tolman</b>	Professor, Social Work
<b>Robert Abramovitz</b>	Professor, Moses Visiting Professor Social Work, one-year appointment
<b>Stephen Wetta</b>	Lecturer, English
<b>Joseph Lao</b>	Lecturer, Psychology
<b>Catherine Coppola</b>	Lecturer, Music
<b>Mark Halling</b>	Lecturer, Sociology

***Spotlight: Faculty Awards***

**Ronnie Ancona** (Classics) was appointed to the American Philological Association/American Classical League Joint Task Force on Teacher Training, whose charge is the development of professional standards for beginning teachers of Latin at the secondary school level. She recently published an Introduction on "Horace and The Odes" for Jeffrey H. Kaimowitz, *The Odes of Horace* (Johns Hopkins University Press, 2008) and is co-author of *Horace: A Legamus Transitional Reader* (Bolchazy-Carducci Publishers, forthcoming in 2008). She edits a new advanced-level Latin textbook series, The B-C Latin Readers. The first volume appears this winter.

**Poundie Burstein** (Music) won the Outstanding Publication Award of the Society for Music Theory for his article, "The Off-Tonic Return in Beethoven's Op. 58 and Other Works," published in the peer-reviewed journal, *Music Analysis*.

*Vertigo*, a memoir by **Louise DeSalvo** (English), was awarded a *Premio Letterario Giuseppe Acerbi* (Giuseppe Acerbi Literary Prize), a highly prestigious Italian literary award presented to non-Italian writers whose work helps promote "people's mutual understanding." *Vertigo* also won the Gay Talese Award after its original publication in the United States (Penguin, 1997). One of 16 books published by DeSalvo, *Vertigo* has been called "an instant classic of the genre," written in "one of the most refreshing feminist voices around."

**Jennifer Dowd** (Urban Public Health and School of Health Sciences) has been awarded a two-year, \$450,000 grant to examine connections between stress, social factors and health. The award, from the National Institute of Nursing Research of the National Institutes of Health, is an exploratory grant given for innovative research. The investigators will look at data about immune-system-, inflammatory-, and infectious-illnesses as well as data about psychosocial and economic stressors with an eye to learning if and how they are related; to see, Dowd says, "how social factors and stress 'get under the skin' to affect long-term health."

**Joyce Griffin-Sobel** (Nursing) was awarded the 2008 National League for Nursing/Sigma Theta Tau International Collaborative Research Grant for her study, "Coaching Clinical Faculty to

Teach Patient Safety with High-alert Medications." Griffin-Sobel was also named a Fellow in the NLN's Academy of Nursing Education, whose purpose is to "foster excellence in nursing education" by recognizing "nurse educators who have made sustained and significant contributions to nursing education." The league is the premier organization for nurse faculty and leaders in nursing education, and Sigma Theta Tau International is the honor society for nursing.

*Protest Politics in Germany* (Penn State Press) by **Roger Karapin** (Political Science) won the 2008 Charles Tilly Award for "Best Book in Collective Behavior and Social Movements," presented by the Collective Behavior and Social Movements section of the American Sociological Association. In his book, Karapin examines protest movements on both the left and the right to understand how these movements became large and influential. He looks at why protesters in different conflicts used markedly different methods, ranging from conventional participation to violent militancy. Writes one critic, "This book is critical reading for anyone interested in social movements."

**Melanie LaRosa** (Film and Media Studies) received two grants to produce a film on one of the most prominent members of the Beat movement, writer Diane di Prima, a 1951 Hunter College High School graduate. LaRosa received a \$10,000 grant from the New York State Council for the Arts and another grant of \$10,000 from the Brooklyn Arts Council for her film, *Coming to Terms With Impermanence*.

**Katy Siegel** (Art) was named editor-in-chief of the College Art Association's quarterly, *Art Journal*. A contributing editor to *Artforum* and a senior critic in the Yale University School of Art, she has authored her own books including *Art Works: Money* (with Paul Mattick, Thames and Hudson, 2004) and a forthcoming book, *Abstract Expressionism* (Phaidon). She recently guest-curated a critically acclaimed exhibition, *High Times, Hard Times: New York Painting, 1967-75*, with David Reed, at the National Academy Museum in New York.

**Vidette Todaro-Franceschi** (Nursing) received a PSC CUNY award for her study entitled, *Changing the Face of Death: A Pedagogic Intervention*, as well as a Schools of the Health Professions grant for another study entitled, *Transforming Death in Healthcare and Enhancing Power as Knowing Participation in Change*.

Hunter Biology Professor **Hualin Zhong** was awarded \$23,500 by the Center for Advanced Technology at the City University of New York (CUNYCAT). One of five CUNY professors to receive this award, Zhong will use the grant for an inverted epifluorescence microscope and a mixer mill for biological cells.

### ***In Print & On Air: Faculty in the News***

**Mimi Abramovitz** (Social Work) was interviewed by radio, TV and print media about her views on Republican Vice Presidential candidate Sarah Palin. On KPFK Radio (Los Angeles) on Oct. 3, she spoke on a program called "Dissecting the VP Debate" on Uprising Radio.

**Abramovitz** authored a commentary on Wall Street and women for *Women's News*. He was quoted in *The Houston Chronicle* about double standards being applied to unwed mothers; and *The Jerusalem Post* regarding the impact of the financial meltdown on human services in NYC.

**Philip Alcabes** (Urban Public Health) was interviewed in depth on an hour-long broadcast, "The AIDS Epidemic in the United States of America," on the Illinois Public Radio station, WILL, on Nov. 13. His comments on the current state of AIDS in the United States are available as a podcast. The website is <http://will.illinois.edu/focus580/monthly/2008/11>.

**Tom Angotti** (Center for Community Planning and Development) warned in a *Metro New York* article, "Plans for Population Growth May be Off," that, "... the downturn in the real estate market signals that the city's population is not likely to increase in the near-term future." As a result, the current administration may need to reconsider long-term plans for expanded infrastructure, energy and housing projects, he said.

In a recent Reuters article, *Analysis – With News this Bad, What's Next for America?* (Dec. 16), **Howard Chernick** (Economics) summarized today's economic condition as follows: "American economic dominance has diminished and it is going to take some time for our economy to grow again. We are in for an extensive period of slowdown or decline. There is really only the willpower of the government to get us out of this." Chernick went on to say, "Obama must deliver on another of his campaign themes – 'hope.'" He added: "Confidence will be a big issue and there, you can only hope. One of the lessons historians took away from the New Deal was that Roosevelt had some potency, not just in fiscal decisions, but in instilling confidence."

In a *Market Watch* article, "Talks Continue in Refinery Workers Contract," (Feb. 2) **Chernick** reminds us that, "The union's negotiating power may be checked by reports of falling profits at oil majors and rising unemployment." He goes on to say, "We're in the worst recession in decades – how can anybody be in a position to extract wage increases?"

*The New Yorker* (Feb. 2) gave a favorable review to **David Capps'** (Dance) program of five diverse works set to music by Beethoven, Schubert, Ives, Messiaen and John Luther Adams at the Danspace Project. The program included two premieres, *New Day* and *6 Dreams: Salt Air*.

**Ellen Chesler** (Distinguished Lecturer, Roosevelt House Public Policy Institute) stated in a *Newsday* article, "Observers Cite Clinton's Human Rights Commitment," (Dec. 2) that Obama and Hillary Clinton "completely understand each other," when it comes to "understanding the issue of advancing women's status in the world." The article goes on to say that Clinton has much in common with Obama's position on advancing micro credit for the poor.

**Margaret M. Chin** (Sociology) was quoted in *The Wall Street Journal* article, "Remittances to Mexico Fall More than Forecast" (Jan. 27), that "Lunar Year remittances to China are showing an average decline of 20% this year." She says many restaurant workers, livery drivers and others in the service economy have had to cut back on the number of hours they work each week. The trend of reduced remittances, often the single largest source of income in many countries, such as Mexico and Haiti, has dropped as a result of declining employment opportunities in countries that have traditionally sustained growth.

**Randall Filer** (Economics), was interviewed by The Associated Press and said in the article, “Euro Currency Turns 10; Seen Fulfilling Promise” (Dec. 28), that he supports the position that requiring governments to cut debt before joining the EU gave political leaders the opportunity make economic reforms without having to take the blame for doing so. “It has enabled governments to embark on the labor market and fiscal reforms that were absolutely necessary,” said Filer. He goes on to say, “The euro became a convenient scapegoat that enabled reforms that we needed but Europe did not have the political will to do.” Filer was also interviewed live on Bloomberg Radio for a segment titled, “Treasury Department Bailing out GMAC,” (Dec. 30).

In *The Hollywood Reporter* article, “Hollywood Weighs Impact of Election” (Oct. 31), **Karen Hunter**, (Film and Media Studies) is quoted as saying, “If McCain wins, late-night hosts would have a field day.” And, if Barack Obama wins, “right-wing radio hosts Rush Limbaugh and Sean Hannity would have a field day.” And, no matter who wins, predicted Hunter, “A lot of people are going to suffer from withdrawal after the election. What are people going to talk about after there’s no more campaigning?”

In response to Obama’s plan to spend hundreds of billions of dollars on public investment projects to help lift the economy, **Stanley Moses** (Urban Affairs and Planning) was quoted in *The New York Times* article, “A Trap in Obama’s Spending Plan” (Dec. 21). “If that spending can’t get the private sector going, then it is just a make-work maintenance operation,” Moses said. There is some concern that Obama faces a danger similar to that faced by Roosevelt, in that public expenditures may generate jobs and wages in the early phases, but may not last. Moses expresses his concern: “There are so many problems today and no good news, and that is enough to stop the impact of what Mr. Obama does.”

In a *New York Times* article, (Dec. 16) **Andrew Polsky** (Political Science) defended the candidacy of Caroline Kennedy for U.S. Senator from New York, asserting that while “Ms. Kennedy lacks conventional experience in comparable or lesser elected office, such as the House of Representatives... others have filled seats quite capably despite a lack of political background.”

He goes on to say: “She has long pursued a number of charitable causes, and she has also been an author of note. To say that these interests make her less qualified than a career politician or a business executive reflects certain long-held gendered assumptions about public office. Governor Patterson would do well to think beyond the typical politicians’ resume. After all, the person he is replacing -- Hillary Clinton -- won the Senate seat despite having anything but a conventional political background herself.”

**Polsky** joined WPIX-TV (WB), Channel 11, on Jan. 20 as a commentator on Inauguration Day.

**Diana Reiss**’s (Psychology) work to stop the dolphin drives in Japan was featured in a *Scienceline* article on Jan. 20 ( <http://scienceline.org/2009/01/09/joelving-reiss-dolphin-drive-hunting-tajii-bubble-ring/> ) and in a *Scienceline* video, “Sea of Red: Speaking Out Against Dolphin Hunting.” The article also appeared in *Scientific American* ( <http://www.sciam.com/article.cfm?id+whistles-with-dolphins>) on Jan. 26.

**Jonathan Rosenberg** (History) favorably reviewed *From Colony to Superpower: U.S. Foreign Relations Since 1776* by George Herring, Oxford University Press, for *The Christian Science Monitor* in December.

The *Modern Ghana* news article, “Abortion: Can’t Tell Your Parents? How to Get Help,” quotes **Carol Roye** (Nursing) who acknowledges the fact that when facing the news of a pregnant teenage daughter, most parents, “Of course aren’t happy . . .but ultimately, they care about their daughters and want to help.” However, Roye points out that not all relationships survive such developments and that “kids have to judge the nature of their (parental) relationship for themselves.” The article goes on to offer other professional resources that provide help. For more information, visit [www.modernghana.com/print/553/5abortion-cant-tell-your-parents-how-to-get-help.html](http://www.modernghana.com/print/553/5abortion-cant-tell-your-parents-how-to-get-help.html).

**Kenneth Sherrill** (Political Science) has been quoted in several articles on his position against Mayor Bloomberg’s actions to enlist support for a third mayoral term from groups that receive the mayor’s private philanthropy. His quotes appear in *The New York Times*, Oct. 18, “Bloomberg Enlists his Charities in Bid to Stay” and *The New York Daily News*, Oct. 19, “Politicians’ term-limits plans got stepped on, but other folks just don’t like the idea.”

In response to a press release on a study co-authored by Sherrill showing that party affiliation, political ideology, religiosity and age drove the passage of California’s Proposition 8 in November, he was quoted extensively on issues of gay rights and the gay vote’s impact on political strategy in these publications:

*USA TODAY*, Nov. 21, “Gay Activists Focusing on Rights Issues Other than Marriage”  
*Huffington Post*, Nov. 1, “Battered, but Not Beaten, Gay Republicans Remain in the Field”  
The Associated Press, Nov. 7, “Liberal Activists have Long Legislative Wish Lists”  
*The Desert Sun*, Jan. 7, “Devout Drove Vote to Ban Gay Marriage”

**Sherrill** was also quoted in

“Obama: Many Challenges of Crisis Facing US Will be Met” in France’s *Easy Bourse*, stating that Obama’s problems are even more complex than Roosevelt’s. “There wasn’t any war when FDR took office,” Sherrill said. “This requires an ability to multitask that we haven’t seen before.”

**Reuters**, “Clinton: A Politician’s Touch in a Diplomat’s Job” (Jan. 30) regarding Hillary Clinton’s former role as a powerful politician and her new position as secretary of state: “To be successful, politicians have to be comfortable in the use of power and know when it’s time to sit politely and listen and when it’s time to make something non-negotiable.” He also noted that, “The legislative process takes lots of bargaining and lots of work to establish credibility and trust. She will get plenty of that in her new job.”

**Tom Sleigh**'s (MFA in Creative Writing) poem, "Army Cats" appeared in the Feb. 2 issue of *The New Yorker*.

**Pamela Stone** (Sociology) author of *Opting Out?: Why Women Really Quit Careers and Head Home*, pointed out in a Washington Post article, "She's a Kennedy, But She's a Lot Like Us," that when viewing Caroline Kennedy and other women looking to re-enter the work force, it is important to remember that leaving the work force in the first place often is not voluntary. Many women are pushed out by jobs with long hours, rigid workweeks and inflexible demands, Stone said. "These women haven't opted out," says Stone. "They've been shut out by workplaces that don't pair well with family life."

*Tulsa World* reported in "Is OU's Sam Bradford NFL Bound?" that Hunter College professor **Sanford Wurmfeld** (Art) presented the 2008 Heisman Trophy to this year's winner, Sam Bradford. Wurmfeld is a member of the Heisman Trust.

### ***Must Reads: Faculty Publications***

**Tom Angotti** (Urban Affairs and Planning) authored *New York for Sale, Community Planning Confronts Global Real Estate* (MIT Press, November 2008). Citing numerous examples, Angotti illustrates that community plans can play a key role in protecting their neighborhoods even against such powerful organizations as New York City government. Previously, he wrote *Metropolis 2000: Planning, Poverty, and Politics*. He currently co-edits *Progressive Planning Magazine* and is a columnist for the online journal *Gotham Gazette*.

**Victor Bobetsky** (Music) has co-authored *The Magic of Middle School Musicals: Inspire Your Students to Learn, Grow, and Succeed*, with Russell Robinson, published by Rowman & Littlefield Education (December 2008). The book provides step-by-step approaches to planning and producing musicals.

**Emily Braun** (Art) has contributed an essay to the full-color exhibition catalogue published by Vanderbilt University Press for Nashville's Frist Center for the Visual Arts exhibit, *Paint Made Fresh*. The exhibit includes works by Pablo Picasso, Lucien Freud, Willem de Kooning, Alice Neel and others. From June 20 – Sept. 13, the exhibit will travel to The Phillips Collection in Washington D.C. and from Oct. 24 – Jan. 3, 2010, to the Memorial Art Gallery in Rochester, N.Y.

**Charles Michael Drain** (Chemistry and Biochemistry) and his PhD student **Diana Samaroo** were among the authors of the paper, "Two Color RNA Intercalating Probe for Cell Imaging Applications," which appeared earlier this year in the peer-reviewed *Journal of the American Chemical Society*, the premier American journal in the field. The breakthrough reported in the article allows one to efficiently track the movement of RNA inside cells in real time. Among the other authors of this paper are Columbia University Professor Eric R. Kandel, winner of the 2000 Nobel Prize in Physiology. Kandel is the third Nobel laureate that Drain has published with. The others were R. Bruce Merrifield of Rockefeller University and Jean-Marie Lehn of the University Louis Pasteur in Strasbourg, France.

**Marc Edelman** (Anthropology) is a co-editor, with Saturnino M. Borrás Jr. and Cristobal Kay, of *Transnational Agrarian Movements Confronting Globalization* (Wiley-Blackwell, November 2008). The authors examine the struggle of peasants and farmers with powerful global institutions.

In **Kristine M. Gebbie's** (Nursing) article, "Visa Restrictions: Policy Change Comes, Though Slowly," for the *AIDS Reader*, she voices the hope that even though change takes time, the new administration will eliminate ill-founded HIV and AIDS travel-related regulations that have outlived their usefulness. "It's time for a change," Gebbie writes.

**Lynne Greenberg's** (English) extraordinary struggle with unbearable pain is chronicled in her soon-to-be published memoir, *The Body Broken* (Random House, March 2009). She received advance praise for the book from Diane Sawyer, ABC News and Pulitzer-Prize- and National-Book- Award-winning authors. Greenberg is also the author of *Darkness Visible*.

**Mark Hauber's** (Psychology) recent work in animal behavior, ornithology and conservation have been published in the following journals:

*Functional Ecology* (2009), "The Role of Feeding Regularity and Nestling Digestive Efficiency in Parent-Offspring Communication: An Experimental Test."

*Ethology* (Volume 115, Issue 1, January 2009), the International Journal of Behavioural Biology, "The Strength of Species Recognition in Captive Female Zebra Finches: A Comparison Across Estrildid Heterospecifics."

*Ethology* (Volume 115, Issue 1, January 2009), "Experimentally Constrained Virulence is Costly for Common Cuckoo Chicks."

*Ecography* (Early View, February 2009), "Does Nesting Habitat Predict Synchrony between Brood Parasitic Brown-headed Cowbirds *Molothrus Ater* and Two Host Species?"

The French edition of **Joan Tronto's** (Political Science) book, *Moral Boundaries* (Routledge, 1993) was published on Jan. 22 by Editions la Decouverte and entitled *Un Monde Vulnérable, Pour une Politique du Care*. In *Moral Boundaries*, Tronto provides one of the most original responses to the controversial questions surrounding women and caring. She presents care as one of the central activities of human life and illustrates the ways in which society degrades the importance of caring in order to maintain the power of those who are privileged.

**Joseph Viteritti** (Urban Affairs and Planning) authored *When Mayors Take Charge: School Governance in the City* (Brookings Institution Press, 2008). He assesses the results of mayoral control nationwide, detailing the experience in three key cities: Boston and Chicago, the major prototypes for mayoral control; and Detroit, where mayoral control was not successful. He also provides the first in-depth examination of New York City's experience with mayoral control of schools.

*Around Hunter: Upcoming Events*

**Spring 2009 Distinguished Writers Series**

All readings take place in the Faculty Dining Room, Eighth Floor, West Building. Most readings will begin at 7:30 p.m. One or two may begin at 7 p.m. Final times will be posted in future bulletins and will be listed at <http://www.hunter.cuny.edu/creativewriting/calendar.shtml>.

**Paul Muldoon**

**Thursday, Feb. 26**

Irish poet and Pulitzer Prize winner, Muldoon is the poetry editor of *The New Yorker*. *Horse Latitudes* (2006) is the most recent of his ten collections.

**Kent Haruf**

**Wednesday, March 25**

Haruf is a novelist who recently won the Dos Passos Prize for Literature. His 1999 novel, *Plainsong*, became a U.S. bestseller; other novels include *The Tie That Binds*, *Where You Once Belonged* and *Eventide*.

**Mary Karr**

**Monday, April 6**

Known for her best-selling memoir, *The Liars Club*, she published a sequel, *Cherry*, and four volumes of poetry: *Abacus*, *The Devil's Tour*, *Viper Rum* and *Sinners Welcome*.

**Mark Strand**

**Monday, April 20**

Strand is an award-winning American poet, essayist and translator. He served as a Poet Laureate of the United States, and his prizes include the Bollingen, the Pulitzer, three grants from the National Endowment for the Arts, the Edgar Allen Poe Prize and several fellowships including a Fulbright. His many poetry collections include *Man and Camel* and *Blizzard of One* (Pulitzer Prize winner).

**MFA Graduate Student Reading**

**Monday, May 4**

**Kamila Shamsie**

**Wednesday, May 6**

A Pakistani novelist, Shamsie has written four novels: *In the City by the Sea*, *Salt and Saffron*, *Kartography* and *Broken Verses*. Her novels have won widespread critical acclaim and prestigious awards in the UK and Pakistan.

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