



## 1984 Class Notes Archives



TOP: Samantha Traxler ('84);  
BOTTOM: Jean-Paul Moreau (LSY: 5eme in 1979)

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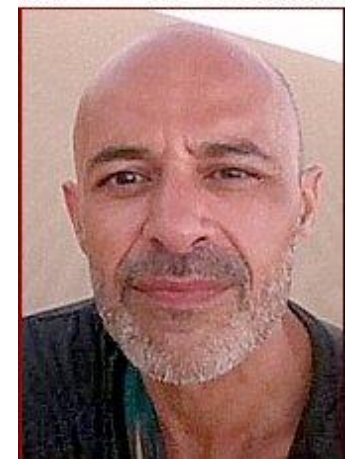
● A new book by **Christopher Atamian** (*LSY: 2nde in 1982*) was recently published: "Winner of the 2017 Tölöyan Prize, Christopher Atamian celebrates the extraordinary cultural mosaic and landscape of Washington Heights in playful, nostalgic rhyme that honors familial love as much as urban romance, cutting to the core of queer desire. Drawing on influences as disparate as Nigoghos Sarafian and Patti Smith, Chris mesmerizes the reader with mythological figures and spiritual reverie, ultimately offering redemption for our troubled times—through his Armenian American and native New Yorker eyes." (<http://www.nausetpress.com/a-poet-in-washington-heights>)

(This entry was added to newsletter on February 8, 2018)

● **Samantha Traxler** (*LSY: 8eme in 1976*) graduated from the Università degli Studi di Pisa in 1992 with a degree in English and French Literature. She is currently an English teacher at the Lycée Chateaubriand de Rome. (<https://www.linkedin.com/in/samantha-traxler-3a894216/>)

● **Nicole (Le Merdy) Zabotin** (*LSY: Terminale in 1984*) "earned a Certificate in College Counseling from UCLA Extension, an MBA in Marketing from NYU's Stern School of Business, and a BA in Western European Studies from Barnard College....She worked in hospitality management for ITT Sheraton and in human resources for the City of New York, before taking time off to raise her two sons. During this time, she volunteered extensively for the Parent Teachers' Association at their school in Westchester, NY, and most importantly, she helped each of them find their path to the perfect school. Nicole has dual French-American citizenship. As a fluent French speaker, she particularly enjoys helping families who are unfamiliar with the US college process and who can benefit from her ability to bridge cultures."

(<http://www.zabotincollegecounseling.com/pages/about/>)



TOP: Anne Moleli Lihau N'Kanza ('84); BOTTOM: Cédric Sarret ('840)



TOP: Anouchka (Orenzow) Filippi ('84); BOTTOM: Aude (Masurel) Lauriot-Prevost ('84)

● **Anouchka (Orenzow) Filippi** (*LSY: 1ere in 1983*) is the Business Manager at The Kew-Forest School in NYC. She has been (or may still be) the President and CFO of the Bon Soleil Children's Cultural Center. She "has spent the bulk of her career in the non-profit sector as a dynamic, result-oriented Controller/Business Manager. She is an innovative and driven accounting professional with over 20 years experience in educational institutions. In the aftermath of the 2010 Haiti earthquake, Ms. Filippi travelled to the devastated city of Jacmel, the country's fourth largest city. During this time of crisis she worked closely with doctors and nurses: translating, counseling injured patients and helping in any way possible. Being of Haitian descent, and humbled by the beauty of Haiti and its unwavering spirit, Ms. Filippi instantly felt a pull and calling to contribute to the healing and restoring of the country starting with its youth....." (<http://bonsoleil.org/index.php/about/>)

● **Lucie de Burlet Suter** (*LSY: Terminale in 1984*) is a staff interpreter at the Council of Europe in Strasbourg.

● **Amélie (Fabienne) Nothomb** (*LSY: 7eme in 1977*) was featured and interviewed in the Canadian online publication LeSoleil in an April, 2017 article entitled "Amélie (Fabienne) Nothomb: les mots qui pétillent". (Click [HERE](#) to read the article)

● **Aude (Masurel) Lauriot-Prevost** (*LSY: 4eme in 1980*) is an osteopath at the Putney Clinic of Physical Therapy in London. "I graduated from the British School of Osteopathy with a Master of Osteopathy degree. I also graduated from the Osteopathic Centre for Children with a Diploma in Paediatrics Osteopathy. I am a skilled structural and cranial osteopath and I use a wide range of approaches tailored to each patient's particular needs, including cranial, visceral and functional techniques.....I enjoy treating a wide variety of patients but I also have a special interest in Paediatric Osteopathy working once a week in the Osteopathic Centre for Children. I also have a special interest in treating mothers during pregnancy and post-birth. I have a strong sporting background being a keen runner, cyclist and swimmer.....I discovered osteopathy after suffering injuries post-pregnancy. This led me to a life-long dedication to expand my osteopathic skills and knowledge and help others. I am registered with the General Osteopathic Council and am a member of the British Osteopathic Association....." (<http://www.audeosteopathy.com/>)

● **Rosanna Tovi** (*LSY: 9eme in 1975*) is the Founder and Chief Executive Officer of World Ice Events, LLC. She "is a former competitive and professional figure skater who represented her country as a member of The U.S.A International Figure Skating Team and World Professional Team. After her professional touring career Ms. Tovi joined the staff of the Lake Placid Olympic Center and went on to coach and choreograph national, world and olympic skaters.....Rosanna is widely recognized for creating beautiful, high-impact and unique ice skating events.....Ms. Tovi has created ice skating projects for clients such as The Nashville Predators, The NY Rangers, The NY Knicks, Kleenex and The Learning Channel. Ms. Tovi is a U.S. figure skating national, international and double gold medalist. She has been inducted into the Skating Club of Lake Placid, Olympic



TOP: Rosanna Tovi ('84); BOTTOM: Emmanuel Siebert ('84)

Center Hall of Fame, The Professional Skaters Association Honor Roll of Coaches....."  
(<http://www.rosietovi.com/about/>)



TOP: Nicole (Le Merdy) Zabotin ('84); BOTTOM: Karim Benzineb ('84)

● **Dr. Anne Moleli Lihau N'Kanza** (LSY: 5eme in 1979) "is a surgeon of Congolese descent, trained in Trauma and Critical Care with a specialty in Burn Surgery. She currently practices in the United States, and dedicates part of her time to medical mission work, mostly in Haiti and the Congo. Her focus is on Trauma Prevention and Health Care Screening as well as Disease Awareness. Her family's strong political background and history is a driving force that inspires her to participate in the community outreach and awareness processes. Both Anne's grandfather and her parents, left legacies rooted in education, patriotism, and a quest for social justice and progress. This has not only helped push Anne to be a guest motivational speaker in the Congo, or a guest lecturer at Valparaiso University in Haiti, but has also driven her to take part in projects aimed at increasing the awareness on the use of sexual violence as a weapon of war.

As a Congolese woman and trauma surgeon, Anne believes empowerment and awareness through education and understanding of history are key components of social advancement and development, particularly via two target populations; youth and women."

(<http://www.lupitaluenda.org/dr.-anne-lihau-n-kanza.html>)

● **Karim Benzineb** (LSY: 7eme in 1977) co-founded, in 2008, "Simple Shift", an IT company dedicated to language engineering. He "is a translator and CAT tool designer who previously founded and/or managed several software and service companies in the field of Computer-Assisted Translation and Content Management. Karim holds a BA in Business Languages from the University of Lyon and a Translation degree, a Computational Linguistics postgraduate degree and an MBA (major in Knowledge Management) from the University of Geneva."

(<http://simple-shift.com/team.html>)

● **Emmanuel Siebert** (LSY: 2nde in 1982) « débute sa carrière dans le service technique de la Navigation aérienne de Roissy/Le Bourget, où il participe aussi aux permanences de commandement des deux aéroports (1992-2009). Il intègre ensuite le siège de la direction générale de l'Aviation Civile à Paris au bureau de la Réglementation et de l'Espace aérien, au sein de la Mission Ciel unique européen de la direction du Transport aérien (2009-2012). Depuis le 7 janvier 2013, il est délégué Pays de la Loire auprès de la direction de la Sécurité de l'Aviation civile Ouest. Il aura ainsi travaillé au sein des trois directions qui forment la DGAC. La Direction générale de l'Aviation civile (DGAC), rattachée au Ministère de l'Ecologie, du Développement durable et de l'Energie, regroupe l'ensemble des services de l'Etat chargés de réglementer et de superviser la sécurité aérienne, le transport aérien et les activités de l'aviation civile en général. La Délégation Pays de la Loire couvre 17 aérodromes dont l'aéroport international de Nantes Atlantique, 110 plates-formes aéronautiques et 36 aéro-clubs. »

(<https://www.agence-api.fr/connexion?back=article/emmanuel-siebert>)



TOP: Corinne Le Cam ('84); BOTTOM: Grégoire Tézé ('84)

- **Cédric Sarret** (*LSY: Terminale in 1984*) is a food & beverages professional and “ambassador of taste.” At the online hospitality network Hosco he says: “I am a French Australian hospitality professional with more than 10 years working experience in diverse international operations. I have held numerous management positions in renowned restaurants both in the UK and Australia. I have for 6 years owned and managed the front and back of house at Cafe Lounge in Sydney and was awarded Best Small Bar 2010 by the magazine Time Out.....Previously, I have held positions of management in Corporate Finance and possess an education in business, finance and accounting.....”

(<https://www.hosco.com/en/member/cedric-sarret>)

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- **Dr. Nadine A. Pantano** (*LSY: Terminale in 1984*) “After graduating from the Lycee Francais de New York, [she] completed her Bachelor's Degree in Art History at Bryn Mawr College. She received her Masters Degree from the Courtauld Institute, University of London and a Doctorate from the University College of London, both in Art History. While pursuing her Doctorate, she lectured periodically at the University College of London and then taught as an adjunct Professor at Birkbeck College, University of London for five years. Upon returning to the United States, Dr. Pantano became a docent for the Polk Museum of Art.....as well as an adjunct Professor at Florida Southern College in Lakeland, Florida, where she taught for 14 years.....Her work has been published in the Oxford Art Journal, and by the International Congress of Art History: "Cemetery Politics in 19th-Century Paris: The Manipulation of Memorial, Memory and Mourning" .....In addition Dr. Pantano has been co-owner and operator of Oak Ridge Funeral Care with locations in Haines City and Winter Haven, Florida since 1999.” (<https://www.linkedin.com/pub/nadine-pantano/89/a59/46b>)

- **Fabienne Zwerling** (*LSY: Terminale in 1984*) is a Purser at United Airlines.

- **Corinne le Cam** (*LSY: 4eme in 1980*) « réalise l’ensemble de sa carrière dans le secteur du tourisme et des loisirs, acquérant une large expérience marketing et commerciale auprès de grands groupes œuvrant dans le domaine (Disneyland Resort Paris, La Compagnie des Alpes, Visit France/Visit Europe et CityVision). Avant de rejoindre le groupe CityVision, elle accompagne la mise en place de synergies entre Visit Europe et sa maison mère TravelEurope, qui a acquis le tour opérateur en 2009.....Nommée, en 2012, comme directrice générale adjointe du groupe CityVision, rassemblant les marques Cityrama, ParisVision, Privatours, Paris L’OpenTour et la Marina de Paris, Corinne Le Cam est chargée des affaires commerciales et marketing du groupe et devrait « renforcer la présence de CityVision sur les marchés et développer les points de vente ».

(<http://www.lechotouristique.com/carnet-des-decideurs/le-cam-corinne,54693>)

- **Grégoire Tézé** (*LSY: 7eme in 1977*): “After studying in the US in business management, Grégoire benefits today from a financial experience accumulated over more than 20 years. Financial analyst at Paribas from June 1989 to February 1991, Grégoire then joined Arthur Andersen in October 1991, as auditor and financial



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consultant, up to August 1998. From September 1998 to October 2009, he was responsible for international affairs, then marketing, followed by the Singapore office for EIM. In February 2010, Grégoire took over the responsibility of the Singapore office for RAM Capital, up to July 2013. He co-founded Compagnie des Métaux Rares SA in September 2013.” “ Grégoire holds a Bachelor of Arts in Business Management from Clark University, USA. He likes to dedicate his spare time to scuba-diving, tennis and skiing. Grégoire was born in 1966 and lives in Singapore.”

([http://www.etops.ch/front\\_content.php?idcat=65](http://www.etops.ch/front_content.php?idcat=65) AND <http://luganofundforum.ch/en/sponsors/teze-gregoire-partner-cdmr/>)



● **Anne-Juliette Maurice** (*LSY: Terminale in 1984*) “is the General Manager of Hotel Plaza Athénée New York, a 142-room.....boutique hotel [in NYC that] has created a home away from home for royalty, world leaders, celebrities, executives and sophisticated travelers from all around the world since 1984. With more than 20 years of experience in hotel management, [her] prior roles include the position of Director of Sales and Marketing at the Langham Place, Fifth Avenue.....Ms. Maurice also held positions.....[with the] Morgans Hotel Group, which included opening and launching Mondrian South Beach and Mondrian Soho. Prior to that, she was Director of Sales & Marketing at Swissotel The Drake (NY) and Director of Sales at Le Parker Meridien (NY). Ms. Maurice also worked for the Essex House under Nikko and Westin and was a member of the opening team of Euro Disney in Marne la Vallée, France.” (<http://hotelexecutive.com/author/1109>)

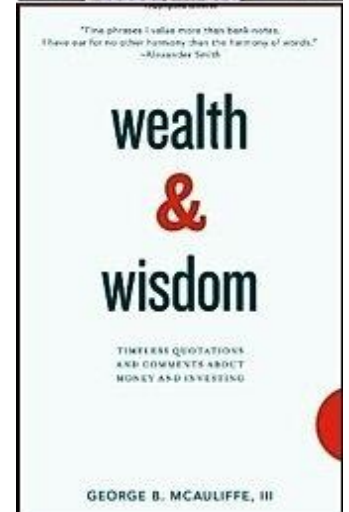


TOP: Anne-Juliette Maurice ('84); BOTTOM: Samantha Traxler ('84)

● **Samantha Traxler** (*LSY: 8eme in 1976*) is an English teacher at the Lycée Chateaubriand de Rome, and a 1992 graduate (English and French literature) of the Università degli Studi di Pisa. (<https://it.linkedin.com/in/samantha-traxler-3a894216>)

● **Martin Béchard** (*LSY: 8eme in 1976*) is the Chief Technology Officer at Oceanwide Inc. He “has been in software development for over 25 years, and worked in a number of world-class organizations such as Bell Northern Research, Mitel (now Zarlink Semiconductors), Hydro-Quebec and Equifax Canada. ....Martin joined Oceanwide in May 2005 to lead a group of analysts and developers specialized in the use of integration technologies to build a robust and comprehensive architecture and platform to manage all Oceanwide’s integration projects.....Martin has a degree in Electrical Engineering from the University of Waterloo.” (<http://www.oceanwide.com/company/management/martin-bechard-chief-technology-officer/>)

● **Nicolas Zart** (*LSY: 5eme in 1979*) shared this with us: “I signed a book deal with the SA publishing house -- I’m co-authoring it. It will be on how to convert any car to electricity. The book should be out in a year. I’m still covering the world of electric mobility and renewable energy in Los Angeles globally and after a two decade break, I’m back doing Tai Chi Quan and Chi Gong! Besides that, I’m hoping my next books will be more about society and how we interact with each other. I’ve changed my title to Green Mobility Humanist & Futurist.” (Click [HERE](#) to access Nicolas’ website)



George McAuliffe ('84) and his new book

Videos of LFNY alumni on the internet:

- [Anne-Juliette Maurice](#): "Une française à la tête de l'hôtel mythique Plaza Athénée"

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- **Olivier Brochenin** wrote: "Right now I am in South Africa after more than 3 years back in the USA, as the French consul in New Orleans. We'll be back in Paris next summer, at the French MFA. Married to a journalist (Israeli - Swedish) and three boys as far as I am concerned."



- **Nicolas Zart** shared this: "I've been reporting about electric cars, energy storage and renewable energy for the past seven years and I'm published on Teslarati, CleanTechnica.com, CarNewsCafe.com, Michelin's Bibendum Challenge and more. I'm now consulting with a few companies on how to bring out their products to the market. This is very exciting."

- **Anne Moleli Lihau-N'Kanza** specializes in general surgery, trauma surgery and surgical critical care, and practices in Hackensack, New Jersey. She graduated in 1995 from the Boston University School of Medicine.

- "After graduating from Art Center in 1987, **Christophe Dupont** joined Renault's advanced design studio, where.....he designed the exterior of "Ludo", a concept-car exhibited at the Paris Motorshow in 1994. Dupont's strong interest in digital design tools led him to join Alias/Wavefront in 1995, where he worked as an application engineer. He would later return to Renault to take charge of digital modeling, class A, computer graphics and IT activities there. In 2007, he relocated to South Korea with his wife and three children to become executive managing director for Renault Samsung Motors Design."

(<http://www2.artcenter.edu/outercircle/11/talk/dupont.php>)

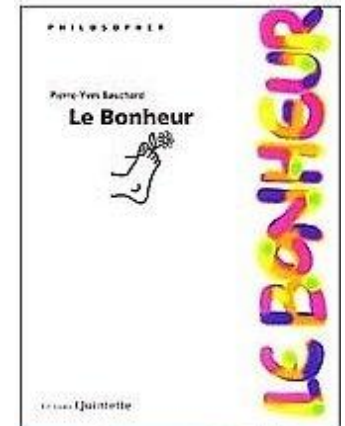
- **George B. McAuliffe, III** told us that his new book "Wealth & Wisdom is for sensible people interested in wealth, appreciative of good quotations, and seeking clear commentary and advice. There are no graphs, formulas, higher mathematics, or shortcuts; just common sense, for that is all you really need to wisely invest."

**Editor's note:** George McAuliffe, "CFA, is a Portfolio Manager at Tocqueville Asset Management L.P. Mr. McAuliffe joined Tocqueville in 1998 and manages discretionary portfolios for individual and family clients, as well as for trusts. He also manages the firm's Intern Program. Mr. McAuliffe *a appris le français au Lycée Français de New York*, earned a B.A. from Columbia University, and an M.B.A. from the London Business School. Mr. McAuliffe lives in New York City with his wife and children, and occasionally goes fishing on nearby waters." (<http://www.amazon.com/Wealth-Wisdom-Timeless-Quotations-Investing/dp/0991527402>)

- " 'I was born during intermission,' states spirited and internationally-renowned jewelry designer **Margo (Gewirtz) Manhattan**. Daughter of New York City Prima Ballerina Karin von Aroldingen and god-daughter to



TOP: Cécile Kokocinski Silvestre ('84); BOTTOM: Paul Kalocsay ('84)



TOP: by Pierre-Yves Bauchard ('84); BOTTOM: Aly-Stephane Wane ('84)

Ballet Master George Balanchine, Margo was born into a life of beauty and culture, one that prized precision, hard work and originality..... [She] began making jewelry in the Byzantine technique at the tender age of 15..... After graduating from FIT, Margo perfected her knowledge of jewelry design in Paris at the Studio Bercot. She then immersed herself in the fashion industry, landing jobs with Karl Lagerfeld and Patrick Kelly, and with famed Vogue photographer Arthur Elgort. When her jewelry was discovered in a styling shoot by Patrick Demarchelier, Paris Vogue decided to prominently feature her work.....In the 1990's Margo combined her love of jewelry with her other great passion—philanthropy. This took the form of symbolic, ground-breaking designs: first the Earth pin for Earth Day (1990) followed by the original Red Ribbon lapel pin for AIDS awareness (1991).....She then developed the Pink Ribbon for Breast Cancer for Estée Lauder's Breast Cancer Research Foundation and for other breast cancer fund-raising efforts. These ribbons have become icons over the two decades.....The new Margo Manhattan boutique opened to great fanfare in December 2010 on 88th and Madison Avenue, featuring sterling, alluring gemstones, diamond, gold and platinum jewelry....." (<http://shop.margomanhattan.com/index.php?page=about>)



TOP: Anne Moleli Lihau-N'Kanza ('84); BOTTOM: Christophe Dupont ('84)

- "I am **Anne-Laure Brunhes-Michel**, 47 years old, French nationality and traveler. I like people and I enjoy helping them to be happy and efficient in their professional life. I've spent 15 years in consulting firms specialized in human resources, economic development and strategy in Europe (France, Spain, Italy but also Russia for a European Union contract). Then as soon as I arrived in Belgium in 2009 I created my own business called UPTOTHENEXT, as coaching you up to the next step. As a professional coach certified and expert in starting new business, I coach people to enjoy and improve their professional life....." ([http://uptothenext.com/html/about\\_me.html](http://uptothenext.com/html/about_me.html))

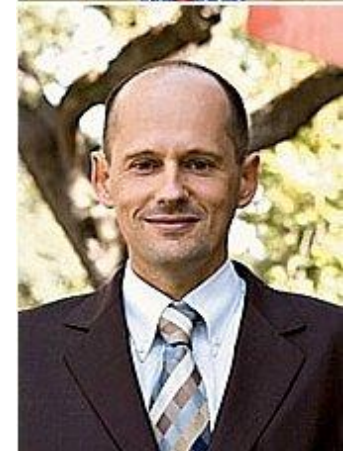
**Videos of LFNy alumni on the internet:**

- "Le 13 mars 2013, le business du vin et notamment des vieux vins a été le sujet abordé par **Angélique (Droulers) de Lencquesaing**, directrice générale déléguée de Idealwine.com" ([click here](#))

----- From December 2012 AALFNy Newsletter -----

- **Nicolas Zart** wrote: "Still in Long Beach and writing more about electric cars, plug-in hybrids, while continuing my Coaching practice. I've also launched an SEO boutique with my business partner and doing business development with it."

- **Alexandra (Agenet) Loiselet** "42 ans, rejoint Groupe Pasteur Mutualité, premier acteur mutualiste des professionnels de santé, en tant que Directrice de la Stratégie, en charge du reporting financier et des plateformes de gestion. La Direction Comptable et Financière et la Direction des Services aux Adhérents lui seront rattachées. Diplômée de l'ESCP, d'un DEA de finances et après une première expérience d'audit chez Price Waterhouse, Alexandra Loiselet a exercé différentes responsabilités dans le contrôle de gestion, la comptabilité, le back-office prévoyance et assurances collectives au sein d'Aviva pendant 11 ans. En 2007, elle



TOP: Olivier Serot Almeras ('84); BOTTOM: Olivier Brochenin ('84)

rejoint la société d'investissement Schroders (gestion d'actifs) avant d'intégrer AXA France en 2009 pour assurer le suivi de filiales.

« Nous sommes ravis d'accueillir Alexandra Loiselet en tant que Directrice de la Stratégie, son arrivée est un nouveau pas dans la croissance de Groupe Pasteur Mutualité. » déclare Jean-Marc Boyer, Directeur Général de Groupe Pasteur Mutualité." ([gpm.fr](http://gpm.fr))



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- **François Picard** is the Paris-based anchor of *The France 24 Debate* at France 24.

- **Olivier Brochenin** est Consul Général de France à la Nouvelle Orléans.

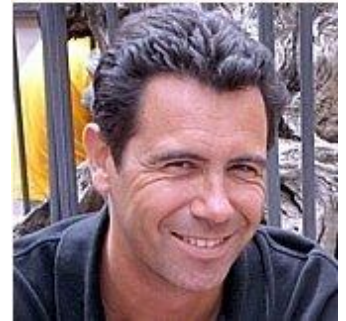
- **Olivier Serot Almeras Latour** "ancien chef de cabinet de Rama Yade, 44 ans, a été nommé consul général de France à Washington.....[Olivier] a 2 enfants de 15 et 13 ans scolarisés à Rochambeau. Son épouse Irène est chargée de mission au service culturel de l'Ambassade, chef du service de la coopération non-gouvernementale. Ancien élève du lycée français de New York, Conseiller des Affaires étrangères, Olivier Serot Almeras est entré au Quai d'Orsay en 1994 après des études d'histoire et de sciences politiques (Sciences Po et troisième cycle de science politique). Il a été nommé Auditeur de l'Institut diplomatique en 2007. [Olivier] a occupé des postes successifs au ministère des Affaires étrangères : Ambassade de France à Kiev (1992-1993), Direction d'Europe continentale (1994-1997), Détaché auprès du ministère allemand des affaires étrangères (1997-1998), Ambassade de France à Bonn puis Berlin (1998-2000), Ambassade de France à Rabat (2000-2004), Protocole du Quai d'Orsay (2004-2007), Chef de cabinet de Rama Yade, Secrétaire d'Etat aux Affaires étrangères et aux droits de l'Homme (2007-2009), Responsable du Protocole à la présidence de la République (2009-2010)." (<http://www.rochambeau.org/etablissement/board/membres/serot.html>)

- **Véronique Jaeger ('84) & Frédéric Jaeger ('78)**: "C'est une jolie histoire. Celle d'un frère et d'une sœur qui se retrouvent pour prendre la direction de la galerie fondée quatre-vingts ans auparavant par leur arrière-grand-mère, Jeanne Bucher. Avant de se lancer dans cette superbe aventure, chacun a eu « une longue biographie ailleurs ».

Pendant dix-sept ans, Frédéric a assisté le directeur de la fondation Dubuffet, une expérience dont il garde un très bon souvenir et surtout la mémoire des dix mille six cent soixante et onze fiches d'œuvres de la fondation. De son côté, Véronique a travaillé aux États-Unis pour une société de conseil en art, puis chez Leslie Waddington à Londres et, pendant dix ans, pour la Fiac. Il y a quatre ans, ils ont décidé de reprendre les rênes de cette « vieille institution » afin de lui redonner son lustre d'antan.

Hors de question cependant de chercher tout de suite à briller : les deux enfants Jaeger veulent d'abord s'immerger dans la galerie et tout restructurer pour repartir sur des bases solides. Si l'un, méticuleux, se charge du fonds et de l'exposition des œuvres, l'autre, intuitive, est responsable des relations avec les artistes et de l'ouverture vers l'extérieur.

Tous deux ont en commun la passion de leur métier, mais aussi une véritable gentillesse. Un trait de famille qui leur vient sans aucun doute de Jeanne Bucher, mais aussi du grand-père maternel, prix Nobel de



**TOP: Stéphane Massonet ('84); MIDDLE: Julia Julia Roederer-Paretti ('84); BOTTOM: Christopher Dufau ('84)**



médecine." ([lejournaldesarts.fr](http://lejournaldesarts.fr))

● **Alexis Lasser** is the CEO of AxxessMD LLC. Prior to holding that position, she was "Managing Director and Head of Private Capital Markets at Nomura, for the Americas..... Prior to joining Nomura, Alexis was Head of the Illiquid and Private Placements Group at Standard Chartered Bank where she worked across sectors including financial institutions, healthcare, industrial, natural resources and power. Previously, she worked for 12 years in Private Capital Markets at Lehman Brothers, most recently as the Head of the Private Capital Markets Group. Lasser graduated with a Bachelor of Arts in Political Economics from Barnard College, Columbia University, and received her Master of Business Administration from Leonard N. Stern School of Business, New York University."

(<http://www.nomuraholdings.com/news/nr/americas/20100701/20100701.html>)

● **Youssef Bennani** "is a Senior Managing Director in Kaufman Bros., L.P.'s Investment Banking department which he joined in 1995. His responsibilities range from public and private financing transactions to general financial advisory for mergers and acquisition, restructuring, acquisition financing and recapitalization. Prior to joining Kaufman Bros., L.P., Mr. Bennani was an investment banker at Barington Capital, L.P., where primary industry focus was technology. Mr. Bennani received his MBA in international finance from New York University's Stern School of Business. He also received his Masters in computer science as well as a BS in mathematics and physics from the University of Pierre and Marie Curie in Paris....."

(<http://www.forbes.com/profile/youssef-bennani/>)

Videos of LFNy alumni on the internet:

- Behind the Scenes at FRANCE 24 with [François Picard](#)
- [Olivier Brochenin](#), consul general of France in New Orleans, talks about French relations with the United States.

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● **Nicolas Zart** wrote: "It has been a busy and unique year for us here. We traveled southern India for a few weeks, which was an eye opener. It reminded us how easily our lives get taken over with trivialities. I tweaked my Coaching practice to reflect more what I have seen in India, integrating that sense of the sacredness, or spirituality in our every day life. I wondered how the business world would react to it but have been surprised at the amount of interest it has generated. Maybe *Occupy Wall Street* is raising awareness after all.

I've included new tools into my Coaching practice, the newest being an ancient Holy Numerology system rediscovered a few decades ago. After a most uncanny reading, I felt this would be a perfect tool for a Coach. As the year winds down, I'm working on many projects, including a High Power Computing (HPC) project to allow companies to tap into super computer clusters. I'm always looking for help there if anybody is familiar



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Fruzsina Keehn ('84) & Philippe Reddan ('84)

with this. My business partner and I are also launching soon an electric car community website. We are still building websites and integrating social networks. Lastly, I will launch a parallel wholistic practice. Yes, that is wholistic with a "w", because if you don't approach life from the whole, then you are surely missing pieces. After I finish revamping my website, which badly deserves it after a decade of letting it go, everything should be online, hopefully within the first few months of the new year."

----- From November 2010 AALFNY Newsletter -----



● **Nick Zart** wrote: "After leaving the Lycee, I finished my high school years at Mamaroneck High and eventually left for Paris. After that I went to Nice for about a decade as an ESL teacher, coordinator and multimedia language director. I eventually left for Japan where I continued computer work, teaching languages and helped establish the World Craft Council. There, I met my wife, originally from Savannah, Georgia whom I've been married to for 13 years with no kids. We lived in NY where I had a successful IT consulting company until we got tired of the weather and left for Long Beach, California, 20 minutes south of LA. I am a professionally trained business and life coach with an international accreditation. I write as the National Coach Examiner for the Examiner, as well as the National Electric Car Examiner. I have always lived in a world of collectible cars and only drive old Italians. I have a passion for ancient civilizations and philosophies and I'm actively involved in different online esoteric groups as well as coordinating the Mystic Academy in Second Life. Gosh, this sounds like a resume. I would love to hear more about old friends and see what they are up to. Hopefully some of them are near me."



TOP: Véronique Jaeger ('84);  
BOTTOM: Alexis Lasser ('84)

● **Peter Moore** told us that he "recently published a piece of fiction in the academic literary journal, the Massachusetts Review." *To read his piece --The Nutcracker's Overbite-- see [Alumni Creative](#) section of this newsletter.*)

Videos of LFNY alumni on the internet:

● [Amélie \(Fabienne\) Nothomb](#) nous parle de son dernier roman, qui est sa propre histoire d'amour

----- From December 2009 AALFNY Newsletter -----

● **Halimatou (Youssoufou) Bourdanné** nous écrit: "Ça fait 4 mois 1/2 que nous sommes installés à Oxford, ma famille et moi. En effet, mon mari a été affecté ici dans le cadre de son travail. Pour le moment, je m'occupe de la famille pour aider les enfants à s'intégrer dans leur nouvel environnement. Si j'ai des promotionnaires qui sont en Angleterre, j'aimerais bien avoir leurs contacts."

● "**Christopher Atamian** is a New York-based writer, producer and filmmaker. He is currently producing several films and plays, including the 2006 OBIE Award-winning "Trouble in Paradise." He has produced and



Allen Mogos ('84) & Cornelia  
Messing ('84)



TOP: Nick Zart ('84); BOTTOM: Delphine Hibon ('84)



Steven Reich ('84) and family

directed several short films, and has also directed music videos for singer Melissa Levis. Atamian is also a columnist for <http://www.yevrobatsi.org>, and contributes to the New York Press, The New York Times, The Village Voice and other leading publications. His writing has been selected for Voices that Must Be Heard, the Fulbright Fellowship and the Bronfman Scholarship. Atamian is currently translating Nigoghos Sarafian's "Vinceni Andaruh" (The Vincennes Woods) from Western Armenian. He is the founder of Nor Alik, an association dedicated to bringing cutting-edge Armenian culture to the general public, and founder in coordination with AGLANY of the lecture series "Making an Armenian Difference." Atamian was president of AGLANY in 2006 and 2007. Atamian recently joined forces with Columbia classmate Anita Itty, founder of eCognoscente, to launch this new media start-up. eCognoscente is a free daily e-mail on matters cultural, both contemporary and classical, in New York city and the rest of the world. He is an graduate of Harvard University (BA) and Columbia University (MBA)." ([http://www.armeniapedia.org/index.php?title=Christopher\\_Atamian](http://www.armeniapedia.org/index.php?title=Christopher_Atamian))

----- From January 2009 AALFNY Newsletter -----

● **Avis de Décès:** Marie-Laure (Mlingui) Koré ('87) informed us that her sister **Simone (Mlingui) Tchimou** passed away on June 27, 2007.

----- From July 2008 AALFNY Newsletter -----

- For news on **Amelie (Fabienne) Nothomb**, [click here](#).
- For news on **Claudia (Strage) Castaybert**, see Andre Castaybert's message under class of 1982.

----- From December 2007 AALFNY Newsletter -----

- **Halimatou Youssoufou** wrote: "I live in Abidjan with my husband, Daniel and our three children: Tamibé Eliakim (12 years), Salamatou (9 years), and Iahlii Oumarou (5 years). For those who knew my father, I would like to let you know he passed away on october 24th 2007 in Abidjan after a long battle with kidney cancer. I am a gynaecologist and I practice in many clinics in Abidjan."
- "**Christina Hardt** is an award winning photographer and filmmaker based in Los Angeles....[She] produced, directed, wrote and shot Death in El Valle, an investigation of her grandfather's political murder in the aftermath of the Spanish Civil War.....In 1995, [she] received a Distinguished Achievement Award from The Educational Press Association of America for 'Poverty in America'. In 1994, she received a Merit Award in Journalism from the Society of Publication Designers for 'Condition Critical: America's Health Care System in Crisis.'....[She] was raised in NYC by her mother and grandmother, Spanish exiles who fled the Franco dictatorship. She studied at the Lycée Français de NY where she graduated with a Baccaureate in Philosophy



TOP: Giulio Durini di Monza ('84); MIDDLE: Geneviève Bax-Mejia ('84); BOTTOM: Stefano Sani ('84)

and Mathematics. She then attended Connecticut College where she earned a B.A. with Honors in English and Theater. Hardt also attended the School of Visual Arts." ([cmhardt.com](http://cmhardt.com)) --[Christina's film website](#).

----- From June 2007 AALFNY Newsletter -----



● "Prior to founding Vinci Capital, Dr. **Christian Waldvogel** was a Partner with Viventes in Paris. He has also been an Investment Director with Intel Capital as part of the 'founding' team of Intel Capital Europe. Dr. Waldvogel has been actively investing in Europe with a focus on France, Germany and Switzerland. His technical expertise is focused on the telecom, security, broadcasting and semi-conductor industries. Dr. Waldvogel has also occupied management positions in business development and strategic marketing at Intel Corporation in Munich and at the European Telecommunications Satellite Organization (EUTELSAT) in Paris. Mr. Waldvogel holds a Ph.D. in Cryptography and a Master's Degree in Telecommunications from the Swiss Federal Institute of Technology, Zurich. He also holds a Bachelor of Science and Engineering from Princeton University (US) and a Corporate Finance Seminar Certificate from INSEAD (Paris)." (*From: Vinci Capital*)

● **Nadine Pantano** Ph.D., is Adjunct Assistant Professor of Art History, University College of London, University of London.

----- From December 2006 AALFNY Newsletter -----

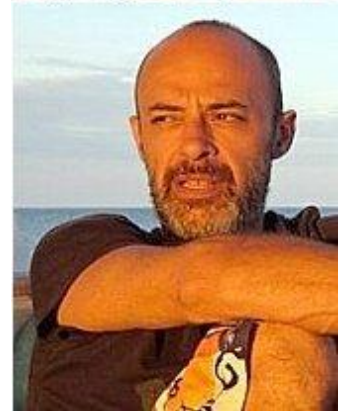
● **Avis de Décès: Adel Pakzad** (See [Milestones/In Memoriam](#) section for further details)

● **Geneviève Bax-Mejia** "stopped working for the Echo Foundation last March to start a new career as VP at Bank of America, in Charlotte."

● "**Marc de Saint Phalle** and his wife Karen had a fun reunion dinner with **Georges de Laire ('85)** this summer in NYC. Also this fall, Marc and Karen and their children, Claire and Remy, got together one weekend in the country with **Frederic Duby ('84)**, his wife Suzana, and their two children, Sophia and Nicholas."

----- From February 2006 AALFNY Newsletter -----

● **Geneviève Bax-Mejia** wrote: "My husband and I have left New York City last November for Charlotte, NC. I now work for the Echo Foundation as Project Manager, where I organize large events / functions for the high Executives from Charlotte as well as for the Mecklenburg County High Schools, for International humanitarian laureates. If you ever come down south please write me."



TOP: Beatriz Margarita Heuze ('84); BOTTOM: Cédric Sarret ('84)



Christopher Atamian ('84)  
and Sonia (Orlowski) d'Antin ('84)

----- -From June 2005 AALFNY Newsletter -----

- **Frederic Giauque**, '84 has a new daughter, Ariana Giauque, born in NYC on 12/23/04.

----- From November 2004 AALFNY Newsletter -----

- **Geneviève Bax-Mejia** nous écrit: "Après tant d'années, je crois que je vais finalement revoir Frederic Giauque, Phavie Leang et Frederic DUBY... J'espère qu'à la prochaine réunion de mon année je serai là, car j'aimerais vraiment renouer les contacts avec certains copains jusqu'à maintenant 'perdus de vue'!"

- **Christophe Dupont** wrote: "As of last September, I've been appointed Director, Renault Design Barcelona, and as my new title suggests, have relocated to Barcelona with wife and three children...anyone living in Barcelona is welcome to contact me." [His email address is available upon request from the LFNY Alumni Association]

----- From Winter 2003-2004 AALFNY Newsletter -----

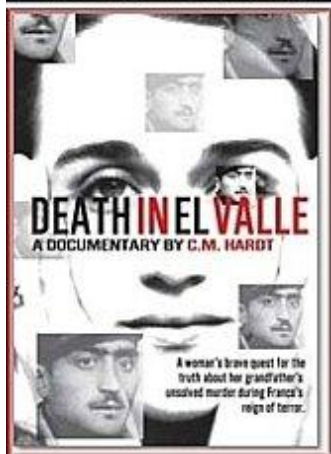
- **Gabriele Piperno** writes: "Moved back to the U.S. after 16 years. Integrating with my wife and three kids in the Cowboy State [Texas]...Very different from NYC!"

----- From March/April 2002 AALFNY Newsletter -----

- **Emma (Skoble) Bonnet** writes: "I moved to Paris 7 years ago after working in Mexico, and am taking a parental leave from my marketing job to take care of my two kids, a son, Max-Antoine, who is almost 3, and a daughter, Emily, 9 months old."

- **Cornelia Messing** forwarded us the following message: «We at UNIS received the sad news of the passing of one of our classmates Helene Nguyen - Ommont '84 in Paris on December 17, 2001. Helene leaves a spouse and a 9-year-old son, Arthur who attends the Ecole Bilingue in Paris like several other children of former UNIS-ites. Helene was the daughter of Andree Nguyen, former UNIS Faculty.»

- **Décès: Helene (Nguyen) Ommont** passed away in Paris on December 17, 2001



Christina Hardt ('84) and her documentary



TOP: Amelie (Fabienne) Nothomb ('84); BOTTOM: Mostafa El Abbadi ('84)



TOP: Muriel Borna ('84);  
BOTTOM: Peter Moore ('84)

----- From February/March 2001 AALFNY Newsletter -----

- **Frederic Giauque DDS** is a dentist practicing in Manhattan. He is looking for old classmates

----- From March 2000 AALFNY Newsletter -----

- **Marc de Saint Phalle** is engaged to be married this May. Our best wishes to him & his fiancée.
- **Philippe Reddan** works for ING Group in Paris as an International Coordinator. He has a son- 3 yrs, and daughter-2 yrs. He is in contact with Georges McAuliffe, Francois Picard (Paris) and Christopher Pelletier (Miami). His sister Caroline Reddan '81, a lawyer, lives in Paris; 2 children.
- **Karl Haspil** habite la Floride et maintient son cabinet d'avocat à Miami.
- **Marc de Saint Phalle** is V.P. and equity portfolio manager and international client account manager at Bessemer Trust Co; He is engaged to be married in May, and Father Georges de Laire '85 will perform the ceremony

-----From November/December 2000 AALFNY Newsletter-----

- **Henri Mensah** now resides in Silver Springs, MD.



TOP: Véronique Jaeger ('84)  
with brother Frédéric Jaeger ('78) –co-Directors of Galerie Jeanne-Bucher in Paris—and father Jean-François Jaeger



Top to bottom: Brigitte Nguyen Xuan Hop ('84), Fruzsina Keehn ('84), Christian Waldvogel ('84)



TOP: Nathalie Fraise ('84);  
BOTTOM: Philippe LeRouzic ('84)



TOP: Emma (Skoble) Bonnet '84 (left), President of AALFNY-France, and Alessandra Gagliardi '86, President of AALFNY-USA, at a reunion