

# **2002** Class Notes Archives

#### ---- From December 2014 AALFNY Newsletter ----





TOP: Alain Haspil ('02); BOTTOM: Rasha Jerandi ('02)

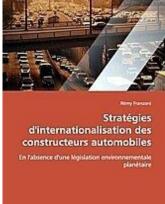
- Victor Demarchelier "was born and raised in New York. Having grown up in the fashion industry, he had an appreciation very early on for photography and fashion. Victor studied economics and fine art at Vassar College with a particular focus on printmaking. Shortly after graduating from college he began working with Patrick Demarchelier. Victor's work has appeared in Vogue, Vogue Paris, Vogue China, Vogue Japan, Vogue Spain, Vogue Germany, Vogue Russia, Teen Vogue, Bazaar, Bazaar Australia, Interview, V, 25Mag, and Wonderland." (http://victordemarchelier.net/biography)
- Sibile Marcellus "is a broadcast journalist. Sibile worked at the U.S. Embassy in Paris as a junior Foreign Service officer. She began her journalism career as an intern at ABC's World News Tonight with Peter Jennings and quickly became one of ABC News' youngest anchors. At age 23, she delivered her first live news brief on ABC News Now, providing on-air coverage of breaking domestic and international news stories.....As a production associate and translator for ABC News Nightline, Sibile led ABC to the Emmy Award for Outstanding Investigative Journalism "How to Buy a Child in Ten Hours."

At Yale University, Sibile majored in French, Italian, and German. She competed for Yale's Varsity Track Team and produced the very first Yale figure skating show "Ivy on Ice.".......At 15, she became a Miss NY Teen USA pageant finalist. From 14 to 18, she competed in Olympic figure skating trials and is a two-time medalist at the Empire State Games. In high school, she was a champion at the Horace Mann Model United Nations competition three times. She has done piano and theater performances at Carnegie Hall, the Merkin Concert Hall, and Florence Gould Hall. She won six consecutive "Prix d'Excellence" awards of the Banque Nationale de Paris at the Lycée Français.....Sibile, who was born and raised in NYC, knows France, Italy, Germany, Haiti, and has been around several states in the U.S."

(http://www.dwight.edu/podium/default.aspx?t=204&nid=833632&bl=back&rc=0)

• Adel Oberto is an Italian director and editor, currently at the National Film & Television School in London. "I





Rémy Franzoni ('02) and his book



Marine Duroselle ('02)



TOP: Aline Sara ('02); BOTTOM: Isis Valliergues Barnum ('02)

was born and raised as a hard working and creative person by my parents, a painting restorer and a visual artist who has participated to the Biennale exhibition in Venice. I lived in New York City, Genoa and Pisa until I eventually moved to London, where I graduated at the NFTS (National Film and Television School) in 2012. While studying, I edited short films, music videos, promos and documentaries. I am a free-lance collaborator, as Editor and Assistant Editor, to several features and TV-productions in the United Kingdom and Italy. I have also been collaborating for international cultural institutions like the Venice Film Festival, the University of Sorbonne in Paris, the Scuola Normale Superiore in Pisa and the Bjcem - Biennal of Young Artists from Europe and the Mediterranean. The films I worked on have been screened and awarded by film festivals all over the world.....This intense and successful practice, which allows me to follow and be responsible of the whole post-production process, helps me to refine myself as a storyteller, creating high-class films and stories out of very low budgets. This side of my career experience is fortunately continuing during my staying in the UK. I look forward to working in the UK, Italy and Europe as as Editor and Assistant Editor, cutting short and feature films, commercials and documentaries." (<a href="http://www.filmandtvpro.com/uk/view.php?uid=437560">http://www.filmandtvpro.com/uk/view.php?uid=437560</a>)

- Nazim Djoudi is a body system engineer at Ford Motor Company.
- Raphael Vergnaud is a marketing & communications project officer at SportAccord.
- Chiara Molinari Giorgi is an operations manager (conferences) at UBM Canon.
- Adela Khadir is a commodities derivatives broker at SCS Commodities Corp.
- **Kerstyn Dioulo** is a publicist at Glow Connection.

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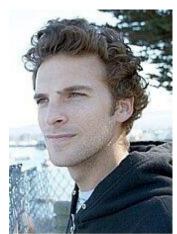
- Marine Duroselle told us that she "graduated from l'École Nationale Supérieur des Arts Décoratifs (Paris) Class of 2009. [She] most recently graduated from the Royal College of Arts (London) Class of 2011. [She is] now living in London, UK, doing artistic direction and freelance graphic design."
- "Margaux Larroche is an expert in the real estate sector.....Originally from France, Margaux has lived and studied internationally. She's lived in Cambridge in the UK, Sao Paolo in Brazil, Paris in France and New York, where she has resided for the past 15 years. Margaux is fluent in French, Spanish, Brazilian Portuguese and English. She loves interacting and working with people of every background. As she puts it herself, "Being a third-culture kid gave me great socio-cultural adaptability which in turn helps me understand people's personalities and tastes in real estate."

While she's always lived on the Upper West Side, Margaux studied in Morningside Heights at Columbia University, where she received a Bachelor degree in Economics and Mathematics, and on the Upper East Side





TOP: Christopher Pirklbauer ('02); BOTTOM: Dimitra Theodoropulos ('02)





TOP: Martin Runel ('02); BOTTOM: Remy Karim Franzoni ('02)

at the Lycée Français de New York. Margaux also passed her French scientific baccalaureat in Paris, France. She comes from an entrepreneurial family who inspired her own entrepreneurial spirit .... Prior to residential real estate, Margaux co-founded and managed a short-term vacation rental company in New York City, and worked as an international business developer. In her free time, Margaux enjoys meeting new people and traveling, especially to Europe and South America. She's also involved in various communities including Lycée Français de New York (LFNY) Alumni, Columbia University Alumni, Columbia Alumni Arts League, Accueil New York, and of course, the Real Estate Board of New York."

(http://www.elliman.com/real-estate-agent/margaux-larroche/6617)

- Rémy Franzoni is a course lecturer at HEC Montreal and a business intelligence professionnal.
- Rasha Jerandi est traductrice et rédactrice bilingue (Français/Anglais) à Paris.
- **Dimitra Theodoropulos** is a corporate strategic analyst at Al Ghurair Investment, in the United Arab Emirates.
- Chris Pirklbauer is an account executive at Jumptap in NYC.
- **Nicolas Duminil** wrote: "I started a company which is the 1st international network for referrals and business development. It is a professional platform where international companies and intermediaries connect. I also do freelance Social Media Strategy and Community Management. I'm based in NYC, but I'm used to working remotely." (<a href="https://www.linkedin.com/in/nicolasduminil">https://www.linkedin.com/in/nicolasduminil</a>)

#### ---- From December 2011 AALFNY Newsletter -----

• Aline Sara informed us that she is "a full time staff reporter at a Beirut based online publication, NOW Lebanon.com, [and that she] also freelances for a few other publications in the region." She shared a fascinating article of hers entitled The state-sponsored gangs of the Arab Spring which begins: "They've been around for a while, but never have they been put to such twisted, terrifying and effective use. From Egypt's baltageya to Syria's shabiha, from Yemen's baltija to the Libyan mourtazakad, state-sponsored mercenaries have been essential in squelching dissent during the popular uprisings spreading across the Middle East...."

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

- **Nelly Parisot** wrote: "I am finishing up my fourth year of medical school at Columbia University and am currently applying for residency in Emergency Medicine."
- <u>Dr. Caroline Magasweran</u> (DVM) "joined the team at NYC Veterinary Specialists in 2010. *Education*: Doctor





TOP: Armelle Wiart ('02); MIDDLE: Hermione Avocetien ('02); BOTTOM: Raphaelle Coumes ('02)

of Veterinary Medicine, Ross University School of Veterinary Medicine (2009) & Bachelor of Science, Binghamton University (2006). *Off Duty:* Dr. Magasweran spends off-duty hours with her boyfriend and their family: Optimus Prime, an energetic Kittitian rescue dog; Rambo, a hingeback tortoise; and Luna, an adorable lab-chow-mix. You might also find Dr. Magasweran reading, camping or traveling whenever and wherever possible." *(newyork.bluepearlvet.com)* 



• "Eve de la Mothe Karoubi graduated cum laude from Smith College in 2006 with a B.A. in Government and African Studies, focusing on international relations and conflict resolution. As a 2007 Insight Fellow, Eve focused on empowering youth in conflict areas by conducting training workshops and by working to help improve the efficiency of grassroots youth organizations. Currently Eve is pursuing a double Masters in International Relations through the prestigious Dual Degree program offered by Columbia University's School

for International and Public Affairs (SIPA) and Sciences Po Paris." (<a href="http://www.insightcollaborative.org/ic 2009/fellowship description template.php?journal year=2007&j id=5">http://www.insightcollaborative.org/ic 2009/fellowship description template.php?journal year=2007&j id=5</a>)

Videos of LFNY alumni on the internet:

• Nelly Parisot as a volunteer in Thailand with Cross-Cultural Solutions



(no class notes, only photos)

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

- Your AALFNY 2002 class representative is **Ana Ortiz**. She can help you organize reunions and other events. (Her email address is available upon request)
- Caroline Magasweran wrote: "I am in my fourth and last year at Oklahoma State University School of Veterinary Medicine. I graduate June 5th, 2008 and will most likely practice in a small animal clinic in Manhattan, performing general medicine or specializing in ophthalmology."

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

- Olivier Donadieu nous a écrit qu'il a "participé au concours photo reportage de Paris Match et [que son] reportage au Népal fait partie des 23 sélectionnés."
- Eve de la Mothe Karoubi shared this with us: "I am currently wrapping up the Insight Fellowship, a yearlong Fellowship program that sponsors exceptional young professionals to study and promote effective conflict management internationally (www.insightcollaborative.org). After receiving training in Boston last summer, I





TOP: Margaux Larroche ('02); BOTTOM: Guillaume Galy ('02)



TOP: Teddy Wyss ('02); BOTTOM: Frederic Brault ('02)





TOP & MIDDLE: Olivier
Donadieu ('02) and one his
photos selected for the Paris
Match contest; BOTTOM:
Elektra Carras ('02)

went to work as a consultant to the Prosecutor at the International Criminal Court in The Hague. After 3 months in the Netherlands, I went to Lebanon where I was hosted by my LFNY classmate *Aline Sara ('02)* and I developed and led a workshop on "Youth and Reconciliation" at the American University in Beirut. In January, I moved on to Thailand to begin my second international placement. During my three months there, I focused on the role of young activists in the Burmese pro-democracy movement and worked with several organizations in Northern Thailand, from where most Burmese organizations operate in political exile. In April, I began my third and final international placement in Liberia. I am working with Youth Action International (YAI), an NGO that works to support and empower conflict-affected youth in Africa, and am overseeing the development of new programs in Liberia and Sierra Leone. Over the course of the year, I have kept a personal blog documenting my experiences at <a href="https://www.allaboutevedlmk.blogspot.com">www.allaboutevedlmk.blogspot.com</a>. On another note, I'm thrilled announce that I was recently accepted to my top choice Masters program: the Sciences Po/ SIPA dual degree program in international affairs. I will spend my first year at Sciences Po in Paris and my second year studying at the School of International & Public Affairs at Columbia University in New York."

- Our AALFNY Class of 2002 representative, **Ana Ortiz**, was kind enough to write to her classmates and to send us these updates, below. Merci Ana!!
- Aline Sara has spent the past year in Beirut, Lebanon studying Arabic and interning at Human Rights Watch. She is glad to have spent time with her family and to have experienced such a difficult environment firsthand. After a summer of backpacking through Greece, Turkey and Syria, she will return to New York to begin her law school applications.
- Anoush Varjabedian is beginning her second year as a graduate student at Harvard University, manjooring in History and Middle Eastern studies. Her primary field of interest is Ottoman history and she is currently researching Protestant missionary education in 19th century Anatolia.
- **Nelly Parisot** has just completed her first year at the Columbia University College of Physicians and Surgeons. Her summer activities will include participating in a volunteer medical program in Vietnam and then traveling around southeast asia.
- Sixteen LFNY alums Chanez Baali ('02), Elektra Carras ('02), Raphaelle Coumes ('02), Aliocha Hansen-Love ('05), Igor Hansen-Love ('01), Stewart Laufer ('00), Olivier Lauzon ('95), David Macleod ('01), Jonathan McIntosh ('99), Miguel Patriota ('99), Thomas Patriota ('01), Sarah Poyet ('02), Jessica Shearer ('02), Oliver Shearer ('99), Philip M Shearer ('95), and Gabrielle Archer ('03) have been working with Manyc Records since it was founded in 2003. Manyc Records (manycrecords.com) is a record company based out of the South Bronx, NY. Its roster includes artists Bandamous, Milt Opus, Multiple Mono, Strip Darling and Tramponaline, in addition to djs and electronic music producers. The company and its artists seek to make actual music. In collaboration with sputnyc (sputnyc.com), Manyc Records has artists playing parties in diversified venues,







TOP: Cyril Lavaire ('02); MIDDLE: Eve de la Mothe Karoubi ('02); BOTTOM: Thierno Achy ('02)

going all city by throwing monthly sputnyc Carnival parties. Listen out for long-awaited studio recordings this winter.

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

- Ana Ortiz is the new Alumni Class Representative for the class of 2002.
- Pauline Austry nous écrit: "Et bien, en ce qui me concerne, mon cursus après le LFNY a été un peu mouvementé. J'ai d'abord fait ma 2nd et une partie de ma 1ère au lycée Français de Belgique, à Bruxelles, puis la fin de ma 1ère et ma terminale à Paris, au lycée Jean-Baptitse Say. J'ai ensuite poursuivi mes études en faisant 2 ans d'école préparatoire aux concours d'école de commerce au lycée Janson de Sailly à Paris. J'ai réussi à intégrer Euromed-Marseille (nouveau nom de l'ESC Marseille) où je suis actuellement en dernière année, aprés avoir fait une année de césure l'an dernier pendant laquelle j'ai effectué 2 stages, un de 7 mois à Londres chez Frenger International, société privée specailisée dans les fusions acquisitions entre la France et les UK, et mon second chez BNPP AM (BNP Paribas Asset Management, la branche de BNPP qui s'occupe de la gestion d'actif). Je compte finir ma scolarité en partant 6 mois en université partenaire à Florence de février à juillet. En espèrant que tout va bien au LFNY!"

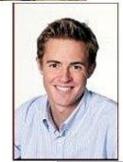
### ---- From June 2007 AALFNY Newsletter ----

• Alyosha Smolarski wrote: "I graduated from McGill University in 2006 in Physiology and took a year off to work in San Diego, CA at a pharmaceutical company. I am now back in Montreal preparing admission to medical school for the fall of 2008. I am interested in pursuing a career in the health sciences which will enable me to combine allopathic and more alternative kinds of practices."

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

- Francis Debbane's online 'E-Portfolio' states: "I am currently a fourth year student at Drexel University. I am pursuing a bachelor's degree in Business Administration with a concentration in Marketing. I am enrolled in the 5-year Co-Op program which has given me the opportunity to work two full-time six-month internships over the last four years. I believe I have received the best of both worlds by dong this program because I will graduate from Drexel with 18 months worth of work experience. The skills I have acquired by working full-time have given a competitive edge over my peers because I am accustomed to the professional work environment. I have recently decided to pursue a music minor here at Drexel University. Music is one of my deepest passions and I plan to combine my musical skills with the business knowledge I have acquired."
- Anoush Varjabedian is a U.S. Foreign Language Teaching Assistant at an Austrian secondary school (in Vienna), in a program coordinated by the Fulbright Commission for the Austrian Ministry of Education, Science







TOP: Caroline Magasweran ('02); MIDDLE: Mathias Muller ('02); BOTTOM: Rasha Jerandi ('02)







TOP to BOTTOM: Guillaume Galy ('02); Jessica Shearer ('02); Julia Martellozo ('02)





Sibile Morency ('02) & Antonio Gurrea-Nozaleda ('02)

and Culture.

• Cyril Lavaire nous écrit: "Bonjour à tous, un peu de français ne fera pas de mal sur cette page! :-) Après le LFNY en 2000, j'ai fini mon lycée au Lycée Français de Montréal (Collège Marie de France). Puis après l'obtention de mon bac en 2002, j'ai fait une première année à l'Ecole Polytechnique de Montréal (Canada) en Ingénierie Mécanique. En 2003 j'ai orienté mes études vers le commerce et je me trouve actuellement en 4ème année de BBA of Honours à l'Ecole Sup de Co Montpellier (France) en Affaires Internationales. Je fais notamment en parallèle, une 3ème année de BBA à La Trobe University à Melbourne (Australie) en International Business (en e-learning). J'aurai si tout se passe bien le double diplôme FrancoAustralien en avril 2008! (on y croit!). Je viens de finir une année en tant que stagiaire dans l'Administration des Ventes Export de Cacharel et je souhaite faire mon prochain et dernier stage en Australie dans l'Export, de préférence dans le milieu de l'aéronautique et de la vente de matériel de hautes technologies ou de biotechnologies...

Sinon pour ceux qui me connaissaient, je suis toujours un hardant sportif et un amoureux de la nature! Bien à vous"

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

• Armelle Wiart wrote: "I have recently graduated from McGill University with a double major in political science and sociology after three years. I am now working in a private equity firm as assistant to the director."

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

• Benjamin Teper nous ecrit: "Apres avoir passe une annee a L'Ecole Hoteliere de Lausanne en Suisse et une annee a Boston Universite, je fais un stage dans une agence de pub (Interbrand) a New York depuis le mois de Janvier en attendant de transferer dans une universite americaine du cote de Miami ou Boston pour la rentree 2005. Je travaille egalement sur un projet pour les "Awards" a la International Academy of Television of Arts and Science. J'aimerais avoir des nouvelles de la promotion 2002."

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

- Eve de la Mothe Karoubi wrote: "I am studying abroad in South Africa this semester and will be returning to the States for spring semester at Amherst College."
- Jonathan Teper wrote: "During the fall'03 semester, I transferred into Tufts' College of Liberal Arts where I now a 3rd year student of quantitative economics. I have a strong interest in entrepreuneurial leadership, economic theory, international affairs, and cross cultural analyses.....I am currently developing an initiative aimed at consolidating of entrepreneurial resources at Tufts with YET (the Young Entrepreneurs at Tufts organization).....I traveled to Latin America during the summer of 2003, and there developed an interest in







From top to bottom: Julia Martellozo ('02); Youssouf Coulibaly ('02); Daria Vlasova ('02)



Top: Jonathan Teper ('02) Bottom: Cyril Lavaire ('02)



Antoine Castelas ('02)

Latin American politics and sustaining economic development, particularly in Ecuador and I plan on returning there during this summer!....I have worked as a program designer for ISO Healthcare Consulting, and as a business analyst for Monitor Consulting.







TOP to BOTTOM: Alicia Benwaiche ('02), Clemence Repoux ('02), Thierno Achy ('02)