



## Division of Graduate Medical Sciences

### Office of Postdoctoral Affairs

**FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 14, 2012**

### **National Postdoc Appreciation Week: September 17 - 21**



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Many exciting things are being planned by OPA this and next month. Don't miss any of them:

### **National Postdoc Appreciation Week: September 17 – 21 (Keep Those RSVPs Coming)**

The Boston University School of Medicine, Division of Graduate Medical Sciences Office of Postdoctoral Affairs cordially invites BUMC postdocs, their PI's and Administrative staff who support postdocs to attend the National Postdoc Appreciation Week celebration activities (Sept. 17 – 21) which include Ice Cream Social on Tuesday and movie, Losing Control on Thursday.

### **Careers in Communicating Science: Journals, Blogs, Netcasts, and Tweets**

**Date and Time:** Monday, September 17<sup>th</sup> 3:00 – 4:30

**Location:** Room L-201/3, 72 East Concord St., BU School of Medicine

**Registration:** Email: [Yolanta@bu.edu](mailto:Yolanta@bu.edu)

This Monday's talk by the Netcasts superstars Dr. Alan Dove and Dr. Vincent Raceniello on "Careers in Communicating Science: Journals, Blogs, Netcasts and Tweets" will help you understand how to use new social networking tools to advance your career. They will be broadcasting their 200th broadcast of their show <http://www.twiv.tv/> from the NEIDL on Monday. We are lucky to have these two articulate scientists give you the benefit of their knowledge of modern communications tools on Monday Sept. 17th from 3:-4:30 p.m. in Room L-201-203. We will serve pastries and coffee at this event. Don't forget to

RSVP to [Yolanta@bu.edu](mailto:Yolanta@bu.edu).

### **The Ice Cream Social**

**Date and Time:** Tuesday, September 18, 2012, from 1:00 - 3:20 p.m.

**Location:** NOTE: Location Changed to: BU School of Medicine, Hiebert Lounge on the 14<sup>th</sup> floor.

**For Ice Cream Social:** You may RSVP online at <http://www.bumc.bu.edu/gms/gateway/post-doc/professional-development/upcoming-events/rsvp-ice-cream-social/>

### **The movie, *Losing Control* and Panel Discussion**

**Date and Time:** Thursday, September 20, 2012 from 5:30 – 7:50 p.m.

**Location:** Keefer Auditorium, 72 East Concord Street

For movie, *Losing Control*: You may RSVP online at: <http://www.bumc.bu.edu/gms/gateway/post-doc/professional-development/upcoming-events/movie-losing-control/>

On Thursday, September, 20th from 5:30 – 7:50 p.m. in Keefer Auditorium we will be showing a new feature film called *Losing Control* which was made by a Ph.D.! Here is a link to the trailer - <http://www.losingcontrolmovie.com/www.losingcontrolmovie.com/Trailer.html>



Former Ph.D. student and now the film's Director, Valerie Weiss says about the film; "*Losing Control* is loosely based on my time getting a Ph.D. in X-ray Crystallography at Harvard Medical School. I hoped to make a movie from the perspective of a female scientist about dating and show a woman trying to apply scientific principles to the search for a mate. My objective was to explore whether this was a constructive approach or not, while sharing some of the quirky characters you find in academic science. I wanted to create a character who is smart and aware and has a plan for her life, as many people do, and take it to even more of an extreme because she is a scientist. ... I wanted to take the thought of, "I can predict how my life turns out," and say, "What happens if things don't quite go according to plan?"

Following the film we will have a panel discussion that will include the film's director as well as two other interesting scientists. One of them is: Barb Cohen Ph.D. who invented the real world "Y-kill" which is used exclusively in veterinary applications by the dairy industry, to increase female calvings on dairy farms. This results in increased food production and minimizes cruelty to veal calves. After earning the Ph.D. in Biochemistry from Harvard and completing postdoctoral study at MIT, she has worked as a scientific executive in biotechnology. She is a Co-Founder of two companies directed to commercializing her discoveries in the veterinary and human sciences.

Dr. Leslie Zebrowitz, the other panelist, after receiving her Ph.D. in social psychology from Yale University, took her first job at Brandeis University, where she has been ever since. She currently holds the position of Manuel Yellen Professor of Social Relations and Professor of Psychology. Professor Zebrowitz' research has been concerned with social perception, including people's causal attributions for behavior, impression formation, and stereotyping. Her book, *Reading Faces* (1997, Westview/Perseus Press) provides a systematic account of the tendency to judge people by their appearance, specifically babyfacedness and attractiveness as well as a theoretical explanation of these impressions and their social outcomes. As you will see this evening, her work on babyfacedness inspired a subplot in *Losing Control*.

While watching the movie, think of a question you would like to ask the panel. And watch closely how art imitates life, and see the connections made to Barb and Leslie's research. Learn of academic and alternative career opportunities after your postdoctoral training. Connect to what goes on in your lab to

the movie. This event should be very interesting and a lot of fun.

These three exciting events were created to celebrate the contributions and achievements of BUMC postdocs and provide the opportunity to have fun and to meet other members of the community.

### **Have More Money \$\$\$ Financial Rules of Thumb Workshop: Presented by Rick Shaffer in collaboration with MASS-AWIS**

**Date and Time:** Wednesday, September 19, 2012 from 6:00 – 9:00 p.m.

**Location:** Boston University, College of Health and Rehabilitation Sciences 635 Commonwealth Ave., Room 102

**Registration:** [www.acteva.com/go/mass-awis](http://www.acteva.com/go/mass-awis)

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### **GMS Fall/Winter Yoga Next Class: Monday, September 25<sup>th</sup>**



### **GMS Career Development**

Looking for assistance as you go through your job search? If so, take advantage of GMS career development resources and support. Career Consultant, Lauren Celano will help you with resume and cover letter review, interviewing skills and mock interviews, negotiating a job offer, identifying career goals, networking tips, and more.

**Email** [Yolanta@bu.edu](mailto:Yolanta@bu.edu) to schedule an appointment with Lauren.

**Book your appointment for Friday, September 28 now! Available time slots left: 4:10 – 4:30, 4:30 – 4:50, 4:50 – 5:10, and 5:10 to 5:30 p.m. in Room L-107.**

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### **Monthly OPA Speaker Series: From Academia to Entrepreneur: How to Start Your Own Company**

**Date and Time:** Tuesday, October 2, 2012 12:00 – 1:30 p.m.

**Location:** Room L-211/213 72 East Concord Street

**RSVP:** Email: [Yolanta@bu.edu](mailto:Yolanta@bu.edu)

**Lunch will be provided**

### **GMS Stretch, Strengthen, Relax Mind/Body Class**

**Date and Time:** Wednesday, October 3 Noon – 1:00 pm

**Location:** Hiebert Lounge 14<sup>th</sup> Floor, 72 East Concord Street

**Registration:** Email: [Yolanta@bu.edu](mailto:Yolanta@bu.edu)

### **Evans Center Research Retreat, Friday, October 5, 2012**

### **Career Development Monthly Seminar Series, October: Building Your On-Line Personal Brand Using Blogs, LinkedIn, and Other Social Media**

**Date and Time:** Tuesday, October 16 4:00 – 5:00 pm

**Location:** Room L-203, 72 East Concord Street

**Registration:** Email [Yolanta@bu.edu](mailto:Yolanta@bu.edu)

### **Funding Opportunities**

### **Defense Health Program – Postdoctoral Fellowship Award**

### **Charles A. King Trust Postdoctoral Research Fellowship Program**

### **BUMC and Pfizer's Center for Therapeutic Innovation (CTI) Announce the Second Annual CTI Request for Proposals**

### **Biogen Idec Postdoctoral Fellow Program**

### **GWISE Accountability Group**

### **Merrimack Pharmaceuticals is looking for a postdoc that has a background in cancer biology to participate in Merrimack Pharmaceuticals Employee Selection Pilot Program**

### **Massachusetts Life Sciences Center Weekly Digest of Events 9-11-12**

### **AAAS Policy Alert**

### **Watson Law Offices Newsletter, September 2012**

### **Center for the Study of Europe at BU**

## **Boston Symphony Orchestra Half Price Tickets for BU Staff**

Show your BU I.D. at the GMS Office located on the 8<sup>th</sup> Floor of the Evans Bldg. to receive your BSO College Card. Limit one card per person. Visit: [www.bso.org/collegecard](http://www.bso.org/collegecard) or call 888-266-1200

### **Things to do this weekend**



Best,  
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