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A Message From WBCR General Manager



Hey Bulldogs!

My name is Danielle, and I'm privileged to be this year's General Manager of WBCR – Brooklyn College Radio. We're a loud and proud student run, student-led, non-profit, free-form, non-commercial radio station in 306A Whitehead. It feels surreal to say that this year marks 50th anniversary. That's half a century that the media leaders of the future used to prioritize serving the ever-growing and diverse community at Brooklyn College!

In your hands is our newly expanded station newsletter, founded in Spring 2019 and offering you some of the most well-rounded news coverage on campus. Thanks for checking it out! Pick up a copy in our station each Tuesday for up-to-date coverage of what's new at the radio station, puzzles for your class breaks, discount ticket codes to release parties, and event information that can truly take your career to the next level regardless of your major.

Not to toot our own horns much, but our interns and producers are a loving and supportive community that have helped each other secure work from leading media outlets such as Z100 to networks like NPR.

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BC Launches ISSO To Assist Immigrant Students

By Zion DeCoteau

The Immigrant Student Success Office (ISSO), opens in Brooklyn College. It's located in 117 Roosevelt Hall the center's opening is funded by a grant from 1956 alumni Irwin Fedderman and his wife Concepcion.

ISSO is directed by Jesus Perez, the head of the Center for Academic Advisement & Student Success (CASS) for the last fifteen years. He himself emigrated from Mexico to the U.S., eventually graduating from Edward R. Murrow High School. Perez desired to go away for college but due to the advice of a guidance counselor, he enrolled at Brooklyn College in the eighties. Being an immigrant, Perez recounts that he was unaware of where to go to find college resources such as financial aid and scholarships. He even said he wouldn't have survived if it weren't for caring faculty that steered him in the direction of those resources.

The biggest challenge for immigrant students today according to Perez is an "atmosphere of hate that must be overcome," as well as several pressures and stresses stemming from current events. The alumni's goal is to keep Brooklyn College a hospitable and supportive place for immigrant students, the way it was for him.

"Everyday you turn on the TV and see something that freaks you out, a new pressure…" said Perez, "whether it be an ICE raid or a different policy from the whitehouse."

According to Perez, ISSO's establishment came out of a collaborative effort between leadership, faculty, and students for a way to help immigrant students. Perez affirms that ISSO's goal is to create a safe space for immigrant students, guiding them from the admissions process to graduation.

ISSO's aid goes beyond graduation and academics. Perez reports the center is requesting a lawyer from CUNY's Citizenship Now! to be on site once a week to aid documented or undocumented students with any legal challenges. The two decade old project provides students with free confidential legal services to assist in legal benefit eligibility and application, according to its website.

So far, ISSO has marked a few opening successes. Perez reports that he's seen twenty students already on matters ranging from US citizenship to financial aid and Dream Act eligibility.

"I feel that the biggest success so far is to have students come in and feel that their voices were heard, and feel that they had a place to turn to," said Perez.

Former Young Republicans Member Creates New Club



TRUTH- Cozlov wants to educate. /Christian Cozlov

By Samantha Castro

Former BC Young Republicans member, Christian Cozlov, is now the president of a new club on campus called Turning Point of America (TPUSA).

Last year, he helped host an event about the First Amendment featuring Mitchell Langbert, a tenured professor at Brooklyn College. Cozlov hosted the event after Langbert published an inflammatory post on his personal blog that stated sexual assault was a requisite for male adulthood. Many students invaded the event causing high tensions.

"That's fascist. That's what's wrong with society!" he shouted at protestors. "You're a fascist!" he told them.

He isn't proud of his behavior at the event. "I was pretty vocal and angry," said Cozlov looking back. "I shouldn't have done that. I know that now. Now when I have TP events, I'm going to try and not gonna get the emotions the best of me."

Turning Point of America's website describes themselves as a non-profit organization that educates students on principles of freedom, free markets, and a limited government. It also states they have conservative roots, but Cozlov identifies them as "conservative libertarian" because they promote ideas rather than a certain political party.

Cozlov has long had an interest in TPUSA. It first started when he watched the founder, Charlie Kirk, go to student campuses and educate them. He found the interaction between the students and the speaker interesting and inspiring. He wants to do the same thing for Brooklyn College.

"I always had this idea that college campus is supposed to be a place where we discuss ideas, even ideas that we're not really comfortable with," said Cozlov. "But, we're trying to pursue truth and learn what's best for us and society."

When he first attended BC, the first action on his list was to join a club. It was difficult for him to find any clubs that related to his ideas. That's when the Young Republicans club came into his college experience. However, he left the club because he believed they were not active as he wanted them to be. It helped inspire him to bring a Turning Point chapter to campus.

"These days im not as interested in winning the conversation," said Cozlov, "I'm more interested in having the people I talk to try to understand me. I want them to really understand my ideas."

"I'm working on speaker events," said Koslov, who said his ultimate message is to give off the vibe that "'Hey, we have people who are conversative, millennials who are conversative. How about hear out, you know, why they have these views? Maybe think about these ideas. And decide for yourself what's correct.'"

If you want to join the club, you can email tpusa7116@gmail.com.

FALL '19 WBCR SHOW



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Time	MONDAY	TUESDAY
9AM-10AM		
10AM-11AM	News Team	The Eddy Rodriguez Show
11AM-12PM	Zé-TV - The Ratchet Hour	Science w/ Marie
12PM-1PM	TalkthatTalk w/Tobby &Toyosi	It's Been Said w/ Bobbie Bell
1PM-2PM	The Run Down w/ Sam and Nick	SPORTS & LIFE IN 60 w/ Emilio Ortega
2PM-3PM		The Lordy and Isabel Show
3PM-4PM	News Team	Retro Vibes w/ Clift
4PM-5PM	Across the Board w/ Bobby O'Reilly	Strictly Sports w/ Denis Johnson
5PM-6PM	The Walk-On w/ Austin & Joe	Soul City w/ Brandyn White
6PM-7PM	Real Talk w/ Naomi	The Weekly Dose (Yaylene & Karilis)
7PM-8PM	The John and Phil Show	Glam Talk Radio
8PM-9PM	Blunt Talk w/ Arielle	Split Personalities w/ Ramon Saintvil
9PM-10PM	Flip the Switch Radio w/ Trevor	Like Father, Stepfather w/ Charles Carr & Jared West



PROGRAM SCHEDULE

WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
	News Team	
News Team	Sports Team	
Kyle's Shuffled Playlist w/ Kyle Larick	Sports Team	
Leh Mi Find Out w/ Afemi Banx	Untitled w/ Brandon Garcia	
Spillin the Tea w/ Janine & Dan	Million Dollar Motivation w/ Melissa	SPL 60 w/ Gabriel Pariente
Music with Jared	Abby & Sharls	Talking to Myself & Co.
TBA w/ Felicia and Jane	Sports Team	Growing up Spanglish w/ Genesis
Basketball Unfiltered w/ Marsha Green	izthisthetrapy w/ Kenya St. Preux	The Flex N Finesse Show
Talks w/ Mo	On The Block w/ Xavier George	The Flex N Finesse Show
Zach In The Eve!	Mina EleVibes TV	The Hangout w/ Maruful
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BC Film Professor Recieves Grant For Future Film

By Pamela Tuwaidan

"Do it. Don't make excuses. Get up and do it."

Brooklyn College film professor, Seth Fein, recieved a New York Grant for his current project "Small Kitchens." The grant is from the Queens Arts Council funded by NYC's Department of Cultural Affairs.

"Small Kitchens" is a story is based in Queens and takes a look at commercial kitchen work in confined spaces in two late-night Queens establishments. It was inspired by his work prior called "Between Neighborhoods."

After receiving his Doctorate in History, Fein expanded learning about history in the form of filmmaking. Fein's first step into becoming passionate about filmmaking was learning and doing some research about the history of film.

"In doing the research with films themselves, I get an understanding of how films work. It also lead me into making my own films to express my ideas about films. So I think working on films and working deeply with film as primary source as my research, it made me think about two things," Fein explained. "One is how much better it would be to explain my ideas audio visually rather writing them. Second is I wanted to express my ideas through film and transcend both what conventional documentary filmmakers did and conventional historians did. That film can do things that conventional writing couldn't do."

As Fein learned more about general history, he gained interest in the Hispanic media culture and how some television shows were made to raise awareness about political problems happening in other countries and also give courage to other countries to stand up against the negative forces in their countries political stance. For example, some television shows were made to go against Fidel Castro in the 1960s, as Fein stated. As Fein conducted more research about how Latin America made secret T.V. shows to help stand against unjust power, this led him to make a film about the connections between the U.S. and Latin America titled "Our Neighborhood".



BTS- Fein stayed 24 hours at each kitchen to film the footage. / Pamela Tuwaidan

While the film was still in production, Fein lived in Queens for quite some time. During his stay, he began to do some research about where he lived in the hopes of discovering its history and comparing his findings to the present state of the borough. This film is titled "Between Neighborhoods", it is a split-screen film that represents Queens back in the day and its importance of the Unisphere and its importance to the borough now. This film won the Founders Choice Award at the Queens World Film Festival.

Fein had one message for all incoming writers and filmmakers, "For filmmakers and writers, whenever you get a good idea, write it down. Don't think you'll remember it later. Start writing down your ideas because it takes work and it might lead you to writing and coming up with more ideas. You'll never have the freshest idea again so don't let it pass." Fein said.

"Small Kitchens" premiere in December 2019 at Terraza 7. If you would like to learn more about Seth Fein and his films and company (Seven Local Film) check it out at http://www.sevenlocalfilm.com/.

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Puerto Rican Alliance Newly Elected President Plans To Continue Legacy Of Club's Founders



LEGACY - Vasquez to reveal forgotten history. /Carolann Lowe

By Carolann Lowe

"I'm only here because of the people that were here before me."

Newly elected President of the Puerto Rican Alliance Club (PRA), Daniel Vasquez said as he hopes to rewrite the missing pages of a legacy to which he holds dear to his upbringing as a Puerto Rican immigrant.

According to Vasquez, The Puerto Rican Alliance is devoted to provide services through educational, cultural and political awareness means to help uplift Puerto Rican and Latino Students at Brooklyn College.

Vasquez is a senior student, studying as a double major in Art History and Puerto Rican and Latino Studies at Brooklyn College. Vazquez grew up in Puerto Rico and has been living in New York for three years. Although he holds the current position as President, he admits that this is also his first year being involved with the PRA club.

"I'm very close to the founders of PRA and I just really want to maintain it because, without PRA, PRLS [Puerto Rican and Latino Studies] can't really function because PRLS was hstablished by PRA," he said.

After he noticed a disconnect between PRA and PRLS, he plans to bridge the gap between them. His aspirations for the Puerto Rican Student Alliance is to continue the legacy of the Puerto Rican Alliance founders of 1968.

Vasquez praised his mentor, Reynaldo Ortiz-Minaya, who played an important role in Vasquez's decision to join the PRA, "He was the only one that was really there for me when I needed to talk about politics and about what's happening because everyone wanted to say something, but nobody knew anything and it was really too difficult to engage in a conversation about my dad almost drowning without having to explain that the U.S. fucked up things for us. So he was really the only person that could understand it." Vazquez said.

"If you ever feel like there is something missing, do it yourself," Vazquez said as he quotes his mentor. "That makes sense because nobody is doing anything for people like me, even though we had a lot of voices, it was mostly the same four people and that wasn't gratifying to me. I know that a lot of students will go to PRA to talk about what they're feeling before anybody else," he added.

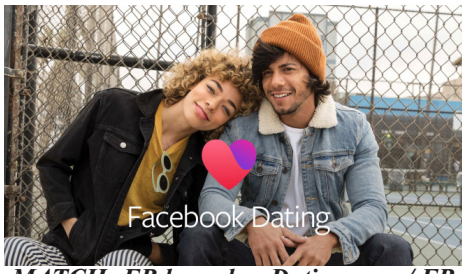
Some of the challenges that have risen so far as President, is figuring out what he can do to fulfill the needs and wants for the members of the PRA club.

Some of his hobbies include attending book launches and lectures because his studies are most important to him. However, he adds that he is good with makeup and can "definitely beat a face". He also has prior work experience at Ulta beauty.

His plans after graduating with his Bachelors from Brooklyn College is to attend graduate school to earn his Masters and Ph.D. in either Sociology, Puerto Rican Studies, or Latin American/Caribbean Studies. Professionally, he plans to become a professor and a curator. He said he hopes to one day return to his homeland of Puerto Rico.

"I just really want to contribute into academic discourse at this point because, once again, a lot of people want to say things but not everyone understands it in the same way, so why not write it yourself."

Facebook Debuts New Dating App



MATCH- FB launches Dating app. / FB

By Bryan Davis and Marie Fiero

Facebook unveiled a new digital dating program earlier this month for its American users. Facebook Dating allows you to use your existing Facebook and Instagram accounts to create a dating profile based on your likes, events, and groups.

Christian Cordova, BC student said: "I was not aware that Facebook creating a dating option. I think all dating apps suck. They don't work for me personally."

The social media giant is trying to lure in people like Cordova, who have used dating apps in the past but have not had the best results.

Facebook Dating is trying to make itself different from bigger dating apps like Tinder and Bumble. The program gives people a chance to match with people they already know through the "secret crush" feature. You can add up to nine Facebook friends or Instagram followers to your secret crush list and if any of them add you to their list you will be matched.

They also say it will be easy to make a profile: "With one tap, we'll suggest photos and information from your Facebook profile, which you can edit or remove."

WBCR found that BC students were not impressed by Facebook Dating.

"Not going to lie, I'm not sure what Facebook dating is," said BC sophomore Emily LaRosa, "Everyone I've dated is someone I've met in real life, usually through school."

Facebook also says their dating app will be safe. "People using Facebook Dating can share details of their upcoming date and/or live location with someone they trust via Messenger," Facebook said.

Trump and Others Blames Video Games As Cause For Recent Mass Shootings



BLAME GAME - President Trump Said Video Games Are A Cause Of Gun Violence. / FLICKR

By Nicholas Williams

President Donald Trump highlighted video games as a root cause for real-world violence following the recent mass shootings that took the lives of 31 people last month in Dayton, Ohio and El Paso, Texas.

"We must stop the glorification of violence in our society," Trump said in a White House address following the events of the mass shootings, "this includes the gruesome and grisly video games that are now commonplace. It is too easy today for troubled youth to surround themselves with a culture that celebrates violence. We must stop or substantially reduce this, and it has to begin immediately."

Trump's words were not taken too kindly as the hashtags #VideoGamesAreNotToBlame and #VideoGamesAreNotTheProblem started to trend on Twitter as people poked fun on Trump's comments.

Violent video games and their link to real-world violence have become a controversial debate ever since it was revealed that the Columbine shooters played gory games like "Doom" and "Quake."

Some politicians believe that people who play R-rated video games like "Call of Duty" and "Grand Theft Auto" may become violent because they are being introduced to guns and bloodshed. Numerous studies have been conducted in the past but there hasn't been any hard evidence found that proves that violent video games are linked to violent behavior and mass shootings.

Luis Luceio, a BC sophomore, doesn't think that video games are the cause for violence, but that Trump's words have influenced people to express more hatred towards others.

"I don't wanna blame Trump, but I think his words is the reason for the shootings that is happening," said Luceio, "I think more gun control and maybe more awareness to mental health, a lot of people have mental issues, we shouldn't give someone who has mental issues a gun."

Critics have asked why all the blame is put on video games when violence exists in movies, TV shows, theater, and even music videos.

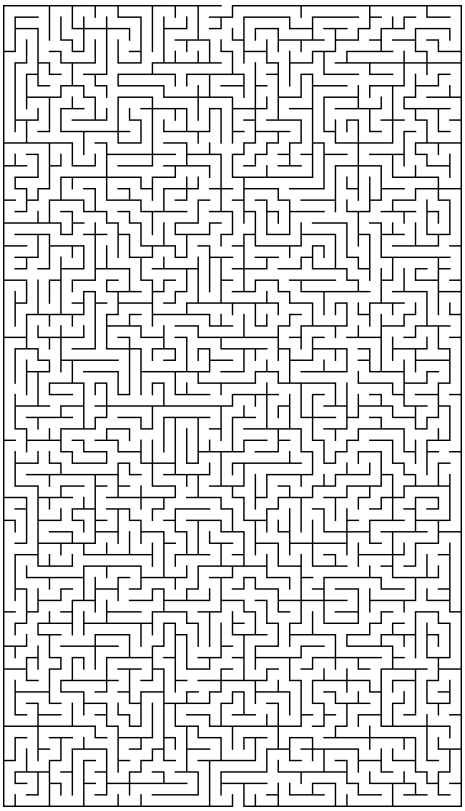
"Generally, it's more accessible to people, and the violence in video games even though it may not reach the same level as a movie, I feel people are exposed to it more often," said Moshe Skolnick, a sophomore student, "I don't think video games cause violence, I don't think there is enough influence on the mind to really compel someone to do some kind of crime."

For freshman Shazib Siddiqe, games like "Call of Duty" concern politicians because they parody the military, "They are blaming those games based on military structure. They believe games are trying to show that war is nothing and is for jokes," he said.

WBCR found that students believe mental illness and a lack of gun control are the main causes of these mass shootings.

"It's more of the people than the weapons, it's more of mental illness issues, I feel like gun restriction laws should be more stricter," freshman Mohamed Nahath said.

Puzzle of the Week!



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