

FEBUARY EVENTS 2025

HAA Shared interest Group (SIG) Showcase, February 4-6. This event will offer many opportunities to find out more about HAA SIGs, including the Alumnae/i Network for Harvard Women (ANHW). Which aims to develop a vibrant intergenerational community of Harvard and Radcliffe alumni/ae to increase and strengthen Harvard women's presence, voices, and leadership."

For more information about ANHW, go directly to anhw.org. There is an SF Bay Area chapter.

For more information about the SIG showcase go to <https://alumni.harvard.edu/programs-events/sig-showcase>.

Book Group: Sunday, February 9, at 3 p.m., via Zoom. **Janet Hankin (jghankin@jps.net)** will send an email to the book group with instructions for joining the meeting. The log-in will be the same as last month. Please pass this invitation on to others.

The book for February will be ***The Personal History of David Copperfield*** by Charles Dickens (May 1849-November 1850). This partially autobiographic classic has been dramatized and filmed several times including a mini BBC video series starring Daniel Radcliffe (as David) and Maggie Smith. Wikipedia has cataloged the many characters. Look for a copy with 40 illustrations by Phiz to add to the period character. Barbara Kingsolver's ***Demon Copperhead***, which we read earlier, parallels the novel closely with many contemporary twists.

The book for March will be ***Persuasion*** by Jane Austen. "As *Persuasion* was Austen's last completed work, it is accepted as her most maturely written novel, showing a refinement of literary conception..." (Wikipedia). 2025 is the 250th anniversary of Austen's birth, and the Book Group is looking forward to visiting her work through the year.

Culinary Adventures, Bay Area: Wednesday, February 12, at 11:30 a.m. Let's meet at Max's Opera Café, 601 Van Ness at Golden Gate Aves. Its menu features "New American Cuisine," which typically blends traditional American cooking with flavors from other cultures. RSVP to **Alison Boeckmann (alisonboeckmann@fastmail.fm)** or **Mary Henderson (mghender@pacbell.net)**.

Film Group: Saturday, March 1, at 1:30 p.m. on Zoom. We will watch the second of a film miniseries, two chapters every month. The series is ***Belgravia***, a 2020 production from the creative team that brought us *Downton Abbey*. This period drama follows the Trenchard family at a period of time when the emerging nouveau riche rub shoulders with the London establishment upper classes and when secrets from the past threaten to emerge. Gorgeous costumes, wonderful settings, and lots of intrigue! If you are interested in joining us, please email **Lucille Poskanzer** at LBPoskanzer@icloud.com and she will send you the link.

HAA Global Networking Night, hosted by Harvard Club of San Francisco, March 19, in person: RCSF and HCSF members and non-members are welcome! Go to harvardclubsf.org for info on this and other HCSF events.

Radcliffe Institute Fellows: Throughout the year, the Fellows at Radcliffe Institute share updates on their research and projects. Check for upcoming events at <https://www.radcliffe.harvard.edu/events-and-exhibitions>.

Membership: Many thanks to those who have recently joined the club or renewed their membership through April 2025. You can still do so on the club website at www.radcliffeclubsf.org/membership-information.html.