

THE ROSE SHEINBERG LECTURE AND PROGRAM

The Rose Sheinberg Program is endowed by Jill and Richard Sheinberg, Dale J. and Arthur Galston, and the estate of Joel Dolkart to honor the memory of Rose Sheinberg '50. Each year the Sheinberg Committee, a joint student-faculty committee, invites a scholar working on cutting-edge issues of gender, race, and class to participate in a day of informal discussion, classroom teaching, and formal lecture to expose the Law School community to a variety of ideas, insights, and initiatives.

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Acknowledgments:

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Members of the Sheinberg Committee:

Professor Alina Das '05, Tsion Gurmu (3L), Molly Lauterback (2L), Professor Sylvia Law '68, Professor Holly Maguigan, Professor Erin Collins, Jill Sheinberg (family), Nina Sheth (2L), and Matthew Wasserman (3L).

New York University School of Law Rose Sheinberg Scholar-in-Residence Program

c/o Professor Sylvia Law
40 Washington Square South, Room 314
New York, New York 10012

PAST SHEINBERG SCHOLARS

2013 (Fall)

Winona LaDuke
Founder and Co-Director,
of Honor the Earth

2013 (Spring)

Kathy Boudin
Director, Criminal
Justice Initiative:
Supporting Children,
Families and Communities,
Columbia University School
of Social Work

2011 (Fall)

Debbie Almontaser
Founding Principal,
Khalil Gibran International
Academy

2010 (Fall)

Dolores Huerta
Co-Founder and First
Vice-President, United
Farm Workers of America,
AFL-CIO (UFW), President,
Dolores Huerta Foundation

2010 (Spring)

Anthony "Van" Jones
Senior Fellow, American
Center for Progress, Policy
Advisor, Green For All

2008 (Fall)

Monica Roa LLM '03
Programmes Director,
Women's Link Worldwide

2008 (Spring)

Tracie Washington
President & CEO, Louisiana
Justice Institute

2007

Eva Jefferson Patterson
President and Co-Founder,
Equal Justice Society

2005

Ellen Barry '78
Founder, Legal Services for
Prisoners with Children

2004 (Fall)

Esther Chavez Cano
Founder & Director, Casa
Amiga in Juarez, Mexico

2004 (Spring)

Constance Rice '84
Co-Director,
Advancement Project

2003

Baroness Helena Kennedy
Queen's Counsel

2001

Vivian Stromberg
Executive Director, MADRE

1999

**Judge La Doris
Hazzard Cordell**
Superior Court of Santa
Clara County, California

1998

**Judge Constance
Baker Motley**
Senior Judge in the
Southern District of
New York

1997

Dr. Julianne Malveaux
Economist and Journalist

1996

**Professor
Dessima Williams**
Brandeis University

1995

Gay McDougall
Executive Director,
International Human
Rights Law Group

1994

Bernardine Dohrn
Director, Children and
Family Justice Center at
Northwestern University
School of Law

1993

Antonia Hernandez
President, Mexican
American Legal
Defense Fund

Monday, February 2, 2015

**Waking Up
the Caring
Majority:
Why We All Need
to Care About the
Aging of America**

AI-JEN POO



Ai-jen Poo is the director of the National Domestic Workers Alliance (NDWA) and co-director of Caring Across Generations. Founded by Poo in 2010, NDWA is the leading organization working to build power, respect, and fair labor standards for the 2.5 million nannies, housekeepers, and elderly caregivers in the US. She began organiz-

ing immigrant women workers in 1996 as an organizer at CAAAV Organizing Asian Communities in New York City, and in 2000, she co-founded Domestic Workers United (DWU), a city-wide organization of domestic workers. DWU led the way to the passage of the nation's first Domestic Workers Bill of Rights in 2010.

Realizing that the rapid aging of America—what she calls the Elder Boom—would require all of us to take action on care issues, Poo helped launch Caring Across Generations in 2011. A movement to unite all caregivers and those they care for to create the systems and supports that allow all of us to live and age with dignity and independence, Caring Across Generations now counts more than 200 partners in their work to build the Caring Majority and support the Care Force.

Poo is a 2014 MacArthur Foundation Fellow, a 2013 World Economic Forum Young Global Leader, and was named to *Time's* list of the 100 Most Influential People in the World in 2012. Among her early accolades are the 2000 Open Society Institute New York City Community Fellowship, the Ford Foundation Leadership for a Changing World Award, the Ernest de Maio Award from Labor Research Association, the Woman of Vision Award from Ms. Foundation for Women, *Crain's* "40 Under 40" list, and *New York Moves* Magazine "Power Women" Award. Other fellowships include the Alston Bannerman Fellowship for Organizers of Color, the Twink Frey Visiting Scholar Fellowship at University of Michigan Center for the Education of Women, and the Prime Movers Fellowship. In 2010, Feminist Press recognized her in their "40 Under 40" awards. In honor of the 100th anniversary of International Women's Day, Poo was recognized by Women Deliver as one of 100 women internationally who are "delivering" for other women. In 2011, she received Independent Sector's American Express NGen Leadership Award. In 2012, Poo was named in *Newsweek's* 150 Fearless Women list. Poo serves on the boards of directors of Momsrising, National Jobs with Justice, Working America, and the National Council on Aging.

GEORGE GRESHAM



George Gresham was elected 1199SEIU president in April 2007. He is the fifth president in the union's 75-year history. In 2009, Gresham directed the successful collective bargaining with the League of Voluntary Hospitals and Homes on behalf of 135,000 New York metropolitan area members at 87 institutions. The contract expands

job security guarantees for the members—including part-time workers—and a host of other employment security measures. The contract also secures health benefits including world-class comprehensive coverage with no out-of-pocket expenses, improves the pension benefits (already among the best in the country), and gives a 10 percent compounded wage increase through April 2015.

Gresham also serves as a vice president of the Executive Board of Service Employees Internal Union (SEIU) with 2.1 million working members in locals throughout the nation, and co-chairs the 1199SEIU National Benefit Fund, the largest self-insured union healthcare plan in the nation. Additionally, he currently serves as a board member of the Children's Defense Fund, Coalition of Black Trade Unionists, and the A. Philip Randolph Institute.

The grandson of a Virginia farmer, Gresham spent his early childhood in the segregated school system of the state. When his parents got jobs as live-in domestic help for a wealthy Long Island family, Gresham was left with his grandparents until his parents could afford to bring him north. Eventually Gresham's father became a trucker, and later a member and activist in the Teamsters Union. The economic impact of a good union job on the family's living standards was not lost on George Gresham.

In 1975, at the age of 20, he went to work in the housekeeping department at Columbia Presbyterian Hospital in northern Manhattan. He soon moved up to become a clerk in the radiology department, and then—through the union's Training and Upgrading Fund—studied to become an MRI technologist.

He is married, is the proud father of three children, and is also a grandfather.

ROSE SHEINBERG



Rose Sheinberg received her JD from NYU School of Law in 1950, when she was 45 years old. She was drawn to the law while teaching mathematics in of New York City high schools. In 1940, the Rapp-Coudert Committee started to ferret out progressive, "leftist" teachers in New York City schools. Motivated in part by the

Committee's activities, Ms. Sheinberg began taking classes at NYU in the evenings while she continued to teach full-time. After graduating from NYU School of Law, Ms. Sheinberg entered into a small legal partnership and practiced in New York City.

Born on August 13, 1904, Ms. Sheinberg refused to follow the conventions of her time. During the 1940s, New York City prohibited its teachers from marrying, so Ms. Sheinberg became the life-long unmarried partner of Herbert Williams. Her partnership with Williams, originally from Jamaica, scandalized the educational authorities of her time. Undaunted, Ms. Sheinberg and Williams continued to share their lives until Williams's untimely death.

In addition to her work as a lawyer and teacher, Ms. Sheinberg traveled widely and retained a global perspective all her life. She was a wise mentor and role model. She died in May 1988, and the memory of her life inspired the establishment of the Rose Sheinberg Lecture Program at New York University School of Law.

SCHEDULE

12:15–1:45 p.m.

Lunch with Ai-Jen Poo, the Sheinberg Committee, and members of the Law School community

4:00 p.m.

Keynote Speech by Ai-Jen Poo

Introduction by George Gresham

Vanderbilt Hall, Greenberg Lounge

Reception immediately following in Vanderbilt Hall, Greenberg Lounge