



# Whitman Today

Monday, March 1, 2021

## Storytime Featured in Union-Bulletin



The following excerpt is from a [Feb. 23 Union-Bulletin article](#).

Whitman College students participating in the schools [Story Time program](#) created a [YouTube channel](#) where college students read aloud to Walla Walla Public Schools students.

Walla Walla School District Executive Director of Teaching and Learning Christy Krutulis said the longstanding partnership has a tremendous impact on district students and educators.

"For nearly 20 years, our students have benefited from our partnership with Whitman students and their Story Time program," she said.

Adjustments had to be made because of the COVID-19 pandemic and quarantine protocols.

"We are so grateful for the innovation Whitman students have shown this year to continue to enrich our students' engagement with literature through their YouTube channel while they are waiting to return in-person to our classrooms," Christy said.

## Q: I've been tested as part of the pooled surveillance testing, so why don't I see those results in my Meenta dashboard?

A: Because pooled surveillance testing processes many samples together, the results of that test are considered to be for the pool of samples as a whole and not for individuals. So while you receive an email notification from Meenta (support@meenta.io) that your sample was part of a pool that tested negative, that result is not tied to your personal Meenta account.

## Announcements

### Deadlines to Apply for Off-Campus Studies in 2021-22

Off-Campus Studies (OCS) is cautiously optimistic that some OCS Partner Programs will be available in 2021-22 for Whitman students who wish to study abroad or in US-based semester programs. Interested sophomores and juniors should attend the virtual OCS First-Step Meeting on Friday, March 12 at 3:30 p.m. For further information or to schedule an OCS advising appointment, email [Laura Cummings](#). [Upcoming OCS application deadlines](#) can be found online.

### RSVP Deadline for Design Thinking Workshop

The deadline to [RSVP](#) for the Design Thinking Workshop with last year's commencement speaker, Whitman alum and Stanford Design School Facilitator [Katie Krummeck](#) is coming up this week.

Learn how to harness your innate creativity and solve problems with innovative solutions in this two-hour immersive online workshop on Thursday, March 11 at 6 p.m. Space is limited, so [RSVP now](#) and don't miss out on this once-in-a-lifetime experience with an expert!

## Question of the Week



Thinking about the Story Time program and the importance of reading for fun, our question this week is: What is the last book that you read that you would highly recommend to others?

[Share Your Recommendation](#)

## Happening This Week

### TODAY

- 9 a.m.-2 p.m. **COVID-19 Testing**  
*COVID-19 testing at Cordiner Hall for those in this week's random sample surveillance testing.*
- 4 p.m. **Open Office Hours for Students with Dean Kazi Joshua**  
*"The People's Dean" is holding drop-in office hours with 15-minute sessions from 4-5 p.m. on Mondays and Wednesdays throughout the semester.*

### TUESDAY

- 9 a.m.-2 p.m. **COVID-19 Testing**  
*COVID-19 testing at Cordiner Hall for those in this week's random sample surveillance testing.*
- 4:30 p.m. **Craft Your Future: A Professional Development Series presents: Meeting Etiquette & Management**  
*Meeting etiquette transforms your professional capacity. This workshop will teach you the basics of participating, leading, and managing meeting logistics. Learn the various formats meetings may take and how to be most effective in your approach, virtually or in-person.*
- 5 p.m. **New Book Celebration: "A Critical Legal Examination of Liberalism and Liberal Rights"**  
*A conversation with Professor Matt McManus (visiting assistant professor of politics) to discuss his new book, which offers a defense of democratic liberal socialism that remains true to the egalitarian and emancipatory ethos of liberalism, while trying to overcome its limitations.*

### WEDNESDAY

- 4:30 p.m. **AAUW Start Smart Salary Negotiation Workshop**  
*Workshop for fourth-year students on how to calculate and articulate your value in the workforce, understand the factors that impact salary ranges and develop strategies to negotiate your next hourly wage or salary.*

### THURSDAY

- 5 p.m. **The Visiting Writers Reading Series with Dujie Tahat**  
*A Zoom event with Whitman alum and poet Dujie Tahat, a Filipino-Jordanian immigrant living in Washington state.*
- 7 p.m. **Do You Think About Me, Too?**  
*A Senior Project world premiere and a Paranormal Zoom Production developed by Oriana Golden, Eva Sullivan, Emily Krause and Christopher Petit. Performances will also take place at 7 p.m. on March 5 and 6 and at 2 p.m. on March 7.*

### FRIDAY

- 4 p.m. **Life After Whitman: Harper Joy --> NYC**  
*Alum Emily Krause shares how her liberal arts degree in theatre taught her to say yes to doing things she didn't know how to do and helped her move to New York to pursue a creative life.*

[Whitman Events Calendar](#)

Have a virtual event you'd like to share with campus? Email the details to [whitmantoday@whitman.edu](mailto:whitmantoday@whitman.edu).

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Submissions are welcome! If you have a professional or personal accomplishment to celebrate, an event to publicize or other content to share with the Whitman community, email [whitmantoday@whitman.edu](mailto:whitmantoday@whitman.edu). Submissions should be 125 words or less. The deadline for submissions is noon for the following day's newsletter, though submissions may be held for a later date according to space and editorial needs.

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