Coming up: Holiday Wreathmaking & Coffee Social

Wednesday November 29th
9:30am-11:00am
Stratton Student Center
(W20-407)

We’ve made the giant holiday wreaths that hang at 77 Mass Ave for 90 years. Come and join us for coffee, pastries and crafting as we kick off the holiday season.

We will be making three giant wreaths, around 6 feet across! We provide everything you'll need if you want to join in!

Register online at wl.mit.edu.
Thank you to everyone who worked to make our 110th Anniversary celebration a success! We welcomed more than 120 people to the Bush Room on October 5th. We reconnected with old friends and welcoming newcomers to MIT. After signing our giant ‘anniversary card’, guests received our 110th anniversary swag, and enjoyed refreshments. There were representatives from the different programs and interest groups that the Women’s League offers.

Guests heard from Board Chair Nancye Mims, who welcomed everyone and talked about the League’s long history and our plans for the future.

Special thanks to Nancye Mims, Jennifer Fleming, Minerva Tirado, Ellen Stordy, MIT Libraries, MITAC, MIT Spouses & Partners Connect, MIT Credit Union and the MIT Center for WorkLife and WellBeing.

Photos by Cheryl Vossmer & Melanie Gonick (MIT News)
Join us for a **Coffee Social**

**Wednesday November 8**
**8:30am-9:30am**
**Emma Rogers Room (10-340)**

Just as it sounds! Stop by and get your morning coffee (or tea!), with delicious pastries, all on us! This is a chance to connect with colleagues, meet new people, and get to know the League.

Please register at wl.mit.edu, so we know how much coffee to brew.

**MIT Women’s Chorale: Holiday Concert**

**Sunday, December 10**
Harvard-Epworth United Methodist Church, 1555 Massachusetts Ave., Cambridge.
7:00pm

The MIT Women’s Chorale is pleased to announce their holiday concert. Further details are available on their website.
https://web.mit.edu/womensleague/womenschorale/

**MITAC turns 40 - time to celebrate!**

- **Thursday 11/2, 11am-2pm: Stata Center TSMC Lobby (Bldg. 32)**
- **Wednesday 11/8, 11am-2pm: Lincoln Laboratory – A Cafe**

The wonderful crew at MITAC have a big anniversary coming up! Come along to meet vendors, enter exciting prize drawings, grab goodies, giveaways, and more. Visit the MITAC-themed photo booth or take a picture with a Celtics trophy!

Enter the fabulous drawings from now until Nov 9 for a chance to win!
Winter Clothing Drive

Help students in need keep warm this winter!

Every year, we partner with the ARM Coalition (Accessing Resources at MIT) to reach out to the students at MIT with the greatest financial need, and give them the opportunity to request the clothing they need to get through the long Northeast winter. Some of these students come from warmer climes, and haven’t dealt with a winter like ours, and all of them need to support to be able to afford winter items that will hold up to whatever Massachusetts throws at them.

Since COVID, we’ve run this annual drive as an online request form - students tell us exactly what they need, and we share that information to help find donors who can send them coats, gloves and hats. Head to the Women’s League website to get involved, and look out for an email in your inbox with all details as well. Thank you, always, for your support of this valuable program. It means the world to the students we help. Visit: wl.mit.edu

Book Discussion: Upcoming Events

The Book Discussion group will host virtual meetings via Zoom. Please write to Maxine Jonas (jonas_m@mit.edu) to be added to their mailing list.

December 6
An Indigenous History of the United States
Roxanne Dunbar-Ortiz

January 24
Demon Copperhead
Barbara Kingsolver

February 28
Rough Sleepers
Tracy Kidder

March 27
Slaughterhouse Five
Kurt Vonnegut

April 24
The Lioness of Boston
Emily Franklin

May 22
Born a Crime
Trevor Noah
We're thrilled to be able to bring back the Women's League Community Craft Fair this year, on Wednesday, December 13 and Thursday December 14, in MIT's Lobby 10. The last time we were able to hold this event was 2019, so it's been a long time!

This is the perfect place to stop by for gifts for the holiday season. We're currently accepting applications from all crafty people, so please apply or help us spread the word to anyone who is ready to share their creations with the world!

The fee for a table is $100, which covers two days, and parking is available for an additional fee. All proceeds from the fair fund the Women's League Scholarship Fund, which offers scholarships to undergraduate women.

Apply via our website: wl.mit.edu or email wleague@mit.edu.

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Fiber Crafts Group

It's a good time to get creative and finish that project! The Fiber Crafts Group offers the space to craft online with friends. Meetings will be held throughout the Fall semester via Zoom. Feel free to sign in at any time over the hour, and stay for as long as you like. For a Zoom invite, please email Claudia James (nonnajames@gmail.com) or Olimpia Cacares-Brown (Olimpia@mit.edu). All events are held 12:00-1:00pm.

2023
November 21
December 18

2024
February 20
March 19
April 16
May 21
June 18

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Call for Vendors: Craft Fair
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Save the Date: IAP
Independent Activities Period (IAP) is a four-week period in January for flexible teaching and learning. MIT community members can organize, sponsor, and participate in a wide variety of activities.
Visit https://elo.mit.edu/iap/ for more information.

The MIT Women’s League Newsletter is published four times during the academic year. Please email the office for a hard copy of the newsletter or for any questions you may have.
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