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LEADERSHIP PROGRAMS IN NYC PREPARE TO ANSWER NATIONAL CALLS TO PUBLIC SERVICE

The US Congress just passed legislation to triple the AmeriCorps program - one step in nascent legislative efforts at the local and federal levels to get more Americans involved in public service. In response to these emerging calls, executives from leadership development programs in New York City gathered at a Learning Circle sponsored by RCLAN and the Leadership Learning Community to begin mapping leadership opportunities and to explore ways leadership programs can ignite and sustain a lifelong passion for service.

- » [Learn more about the event](#)
- » [Learn more about leadership programs in NYC](#)

RCLAN MARKS ANNIVERSARY OF RWANDAN GENOCIDE WITH UNIQUE WORKSHOP ON HELPING SURVIVORS REBUILD THEIR LIVES

Fifteen years ago this April, the world witnessed one of the most devastating atrocities in history - a campaign of violence so ruthless that more than 800,000 Rwandans were killed in the space of three months. Today, the situation for survivors - particularly young people and orphans - remains bleak. At a unique event, Mary K. Blewitt, an RCLAN visiting fellow and founder of the UK-based Survivors Fund, talks with trauma experts about new ways to help survivors heal and begin to rebuild their lives.

The event is part the RCLAN Leadership Design Studio, which brings together dynamic and accomplished advisors from different disciplines to help practitioners find solutions to their tough leadership challenges.

» [Learn about the event](#)

» [Learn about new efforts to help young survivors](#)

STONELEIGH CENTER PARTNERS WITH RCLAN ON FELLOWSHIPS

The Stoneleigh Center, a foundation dedicated to improving the well-being of children and youth, runs two highly successful fellowship programs: one for mid-career professionals and one for recent college graduates. Both fellowships are dedicated to improving practices and policies in the US child welfare, education and juvenile justice systems.

Stoneleigh is partnering with RCLAN to continue deepening the connection between fellows' innovative research and policy change and to further develop opportunities for peer-learning and collaboration among fellows. This partnership builds on RCLAN's extensive expertise designing and delivering high-impact fellowship programs.

» [Learn more](#)

TAPPING LEADERSHIP ACROSS GENERATIONS FOR EFFECTIVE SOCIAL CHANGE

At the first Social Change Leadership Network Learning Session of 2009, participants will explore multi-generational leadership in social service, advocacy, community organizing and related fields and will identify possible next steps they can take to address their organization's multi-generational leadership needs.

» [Register for the event](#)

» [Learn more about the 2009 Learning Sessions](#)

RCLAN RELEASES FINDINGS ON EFFECTIVE CROSS-SECTOR COLLABORATIONS IN LATIN AMERICA

Based on a research project with the AVINA Foundation and independent scholars in Colombia and Brazil, RCLAN is releasing practical recommendations on building sustainable cross-sector collaborations in Latin America. Critical components of developing and sustaining these collaborations include a commitment to a common cause and mobilization to advance it in the public agenda; the pivotal role of the convening leader; recognition and respect of differences; and the design and implementation of governance structures.

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News & Events

- RCLAN scholars publish an article on ["The Role of Cooperative Inquiry in Healing the Practitioner-Academic Divide"](#) in the Global University Network for Innovation (GUNI) newsletter
» [Read the longer journal article](#)
- RCLAN Faculty Director Sonia Ospina has been nominated by the students at the Columbia University School of Social Work to deliver a keynote address about her work examining collective problem-solving and social change leadership at their "Community Practice and Social Justice Grand Rounds" event, April 22, 2009.
- ["Culture and Politics in Latin America: Lessons from the Take-over of Public Media in the Oaxaca Uprising of 2006"](#) with Dr. Lynn Stephen, distinguished professor of Anthropology, University of Oregon, continues RCLAN's series on Democratic Governance and Sustainable Development in Latin America, April 6, 2009
- At ["The Economics of Identity: How Poverty is Gendered and Raced,"](#) RCLAN faculty member Erica G. Foldy and Women of Color Policy Network Executive Director C. Nicole Mason will join other leading scholars and activists in addressing how gender and race must be taken into account in policies related to economic recovery and the persistent problem of poverty, April 7, 2009
- RCLAN will host ["Local Notions of Development and Indigenous Political Participation"](#) with Dr. Carmen Medeiros, assistant professor, Center for Latin American and Caribbean Studies at NYU, April 16, 2009
- The Women of Color Policy Network will host a three-part event series, ["With Liberty and Justice for All: Immigration Policy Reform in a Down Economy"](#) in April 2009
- Save the Date! At the Social Change Leadership Network Learning Session on Training the Trainers, participants will learn techniques for designing participatory and effective trainings, May 11, 2009
- [More News and Events](#)

NYU Wagner Offerings for Public Service Leaders and Organizations

- NYU Wagner's top-ranked [Master of Science in Management](#) program offers leaders with five to seven years of management experience a chance to earn a degree in 12-18 months, network with innovative leaders in the nonprofit sector, engage in public-private partnerships, and gain a global perspective from an international student body.
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- [The NYU Wagner Capstone Program](#) provides nonprofits, government agencies, urban planning firms, and other public service organizations with help on organizational assessments, program evaluations, financial management and more. Project teams research important issues, address complex challenges and identify opportunities key to organizational growth. The deadline for 2009-2010 proposals is May 29, 2009.