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**Harrisburg Academy Honors 2015 Alumni Achievement Awards Recipients and Athletics Hall of Fame Inductees at First Annual Alumni Weekend**

WORMLEYSBURG, PA – Harrisburg Academy is proud to announce the recipients of the 2015 Alumni Achievement Awards and Athletics Hall of Fame inductees – **Daniel Shanken '89, Marylea Madiman '99, Elaine Rogers '71, Ethan Titelman '97, Alicia Dissinger '04, and Shannon Walborn '08.** These six graduates will join this circle of distinguished Academy alumni at a ceremony on Friday, Oct. 2, 2015 at 1:20 p.m. in McCormick Auditorium. The ceremony is free and open to the Academy community ([visit the Academy's website](#) for more information).

This year, the awards ceremony will be held as part of Alumni Weekend 2015 on Oct. 2-3, a weekend dedicated to bringing Academy alumni together to catch up with friends and the latest news of the Academy community. In addition to the awards ceremony, the Academy will be hosting an Alumni Professional Networking Fair, a reunion gathering, and an exclusive screening of "Waffle Street," an upcoming movie based on a book by Academy alumnus Jimmy Adams '95 ([visit the Academy's website](#) for more information).

***Alumni Achievement Award Recipients***

**Daniel Shanken '89**

*Professional Achievement Award – This award recognizes outstanding accomplishments by an individual in his or her career or professional life.*

Daniel Shanken '89 is the principal photographer and owner of Shanken Photography in Harrisburg. After graduating from the Academy, he went on to study photographic arts and illustration at Rochester Institute of Technology. Shanken began his career as a photojournalist covering widely viewed conflicts and global events, including the Israeli-Palestinian conflict and the Sept. 11 bombings of the World Trade Center. His work has been featured in The New York Times, The International New York Times, Newsweek, and Businessweek, among others.

**Marylea Madiman '99**

*Academic Achievement Award – This award recognizes outstanding accomplishments by an individual in his or her academic pursuits.*

After graduating from the Academy, Marylea Martha Quintana Madiman '99 attended Smith College and earned a bachelor's degree in cognitive science, a self-designed major supported by psychology and computer science, and pure mathematics. She then attended Brown University as a doctoral candidate for two years, but chose to discontinue pursuit of the degree to move to Mumbai with her husband, Mokshay Madiman. While abroad, she discovered a passion for drawing. When she returned to the U.S., Marylea attended Milton Avery Graduate School for the Arts at Bard College for painting, receiving a master's degree in fine arts in 2010. Madiman worked as an instructor of art and design at the University of Delaware in 2014, and she is currently illustrating a series of books and a graphic novel.

**Elaine Rogers '71**

*Service to Humanity Award – This award recognizes an individual who in his or her personal or professional life has demonstrated a commitment to bettering the lives of others in their community, nation or the world.*

Elaine has worked tirelessly for the USO of Metropolitan Washington since graduating from Catawba College in 1976. In 1977, she became president of USO-Metro, which is now among the largest USO organizations in the world. Over the course of her tenure, Elaine has developed and increased the number of programs USO-Metro provides to active-duty troops and their families, including those who have been injured. For her efforts, Elaine has received many awards and honors from various branches of the military, including service awards and medals from the U.S. Army, Navy, Marine Corps, and Air Force. She also received the Outstanding Civilian Service Medal from the Secretary of Defense, and the Doctor Mary E. Walker Award from the Military District of Washington.

**Ethan Titelman '97**

*Rising Star Award – This award recognizes a young person who has demonstrated promise and achievement in his or her professional life.*

After graduating from the Academy, Ethan graduated magna cum laude from the University of Pennsylvania and began working for the consulting firm Penn Schoen Berland in Washington D.C. After proving valuable to the firm, he transferred to help build and start a branch in Los Angeles. As vice president of media and entertainment research, Ethan consults on advertising and branding strategy for clients such as Walt Disney Studios, Universal Pictures, Condé Nast Publications, and Time, Inc. He has worked on over 1,000 media and entertainment research projects and consulted on more than 150 major motion pictures.

**Athletics Hall of Fame Inductees**

*These individuals demonstrated an outstanding record of accomplishment in several seasons.*

**Alicia Dissinger '04**

Alicia Dissinger '04 is a doctoral candidate at the University of Virginia. Her research includes ancient animal iconography, religion, art, and archeology. She also works as a teaching assistant for a number of classes, including Etruscan and Roman art and archeology. Alicia earned a bachelor's degree in archaeology from the College of Wooster and a master's degree in art history from the University of Texas at Austin. While at the Academy, Alicia was a three-sport athlete, playing field hockey, basketball, and softball, serving as captain for all three. She also earned the Sports Club Trophy in 2004.

**Shannon Walborn '08**

Shannon Walborn '08 works as a physical therapist at PinnacleHealth. After graduating from the Academy, she went on to earn a bachelor's degree in kinesiology with a specialty in movement science from Penn State University and a doctorate degree in physical therapy from Duquesne University. Shannon was a three-sport athlete at the Academy, serving as captain for field hockey, basketball, and soccer. Shannon was awarded the Sports Club Trophy in 2007 and 2008.

**About Harrisburg Academy:**

Established in 1784, Harrisburg Academy is the 17th oldest non-public school in the nation and Harrisburg's only independent school. Our coed, diverse school community inspires students from age three through 12<sup>th</sup> grade by providing an academically challenging and globally minded liberal arts education focused on dynamic classroom experiences, strong student outcomes, and a commitment to character development. The Academy proudly stands as the first school in the greater Harrisburg area to offer the International Baccalaureate Diploma Program and merit scholarship.

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