

**FALL 2015 E-NEWSLETTER**

*connecting today's women to tomorrow's opportunities*



Made with Code Launch Party: Danielle Feinberg

**Meet Danielle Feinberg**, Pixar's Director of Photography for Light and a world-class Girl Geek. Danielle spoke at the Murray Center's 20th anniversary conference and brought down the house with her smarts, insights and humor. Unfailing generous with her time and her commitment to encourage other women to pursue careers in technology, here is her presentation at the MADE WITH CODE launch. Enjoy!

## MURRAY CENTER CALENDAR

### Thursday, August 27

#### Color & Crunch Lunch

11:30am - 1:00pm

Campus Center 2nd Floor Student Lounge (the area right outside the Murray Center). Join Murray Center Staff Ambassadors for lunch, coloring, and conversation. Relax with some colored pencils, watch a movie, and chat with other female students. [RSVP](#) today!

Wow! Can you believe that in just a couple of weeks you'll be starting your first year here at NJIT? Whether you are just beginning your college career or you are transferring to NJIT from another college or university, new beginnings are both exciting and a little scary -- but don't worry, the Murray Center is here to help. An important part of our mission is to help women students make a successful transition to the academic demands and campus life here at NJIT. We've designed a series of welcome events and programs to help plug you into the many excellent resources available to the NJIT community.



**Nancy Steffen Fluhr, Director**

Over this summer we've had the opportunity to meet many of you over bubble tea at the FYC 1.0 and Transfer Connections sessions. We've been impressed with your intelligence, enthusiasm and wide-ranging interests, and we look forward to getting to know you better during the Fall semester. Check out the Murray Center calendar for upcoming events -- starting with our kick-off **COLOR & CRUNCH LUNCH** on Thursday, August 27. This is a perfect opportunity to connect with other women students, meet members of the Murray Center Staff Ambassador team and find out more about the Murray Center and the many programs and support services for NJIT students.

Enjoy the rest of the summer and we look forward to seeing you all soon.

Nancy Steffen-Fluhr  
*Director, Murray Center*

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**Tuesday, September 1**  
**Classes Begin**

**Friday, September 4th**  
**Chat, Chew, Create, Connect**  
**Welcome Back Lunch**

11:30-1:00pm  
Campus Center Gallery (2nd Floor)  
Kick off the new school year with some fun!  
Come join us for lunch, crafts, and conversation. Meet your fellow female students, eat good food, and make some fun crafts with the Murray Center Staff Ambassadors.

**Monday, September 7**  
**Labor Day - No Classes!**

**Wednesday, September 9**  
**Convocation**

Find us during convocation, say hello and score some swag! Check your e-mail in the coming weeks for more information.

**Monday, September 21**  
**Common Exams Begin**

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**MEDIA PICKS & HELPFUL LINKS**

Want to dazzle in the classroom and insure your future professional success? Hone your writing skills. Read all about it [here](#).

By now, everyone and their mother has given you advice about starting Fall 2015 on the right foot -- but before you start rolling your eyes, [check out](#) these 10 tips for success.

A New York Times obituary of a world-class woman scientist that began with a reference to her "mean beef stroganoff" motivated author Rachel Swaby to pen [HEADSTRONG](#), profiles of 52 pioneering women scientists.

As more women join the tech work force, more and more 'girl geek' support organizations are springing up. [Here](#) is what's happening in Boston.

For an inspirational break, check out the [TED TALKS](#) from 11 super-brilliant women techies.

Massive kudos to Marvel Comics for (finally!) introducing a girl geek super-heroine. Meet [Lunella Lafayette](#).



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**A WORD ABOUT THE MC STAFF AMBASSADORS**

The Murray Center for Women in Technology is your gateway to connecting with the social and academic support needed to be successful at NJIT. A Murray Center Staff Ambassador is in the office and available from Monday - Friday, 10am to 6pm to serve as a resource for everyone who comes into the Center. Additionally, they organize events and study groups that bring women students together. In the Fall 2015 semester, Ambassadors will be planning and leading our weekly students meetings as well as our monthly book club and wellness group. Ambassadors will be available to chat during our Color & Crunch Lunch event on August 27th (check out our calendar and [RSVP](#) today). Make sure you introduce yourself, they are eager to get to know you!

Memo to the critics of major retailers move to 'gender neutral' toy departments: [Get Over It!](#)

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## PAST E-NEWSLETTERS

Check out our past e-newsletters filled with valuable information, past events, and scholarships [here!](#)

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## MURRAY CENTER REGULARLY SCHEDULED MEETINGS

**Year One** - This weekly meeting, open to all first-year women at NJIT (freshman and transfer students) will serve as a safe space for sharing personal stories and exploring relevant issues. Each week a topic related to the education, professional development, and personal growth of first year women students will be introduced and the discussion will be led by a member of the Murray Center staff or a guest speaker. Refreshments will be served. Monday's @4pm. First meeting to be held Monday, September 14. Check your e-mail for more information in the upcoming weeks.

**Women's Wellness** - Once a month the Murray Center will organize a wellness or physical activity, FOR WOMEN ONLY. Come join us for yoga, Zumba, guided meditation, and other activities that will get your body and soul moving!

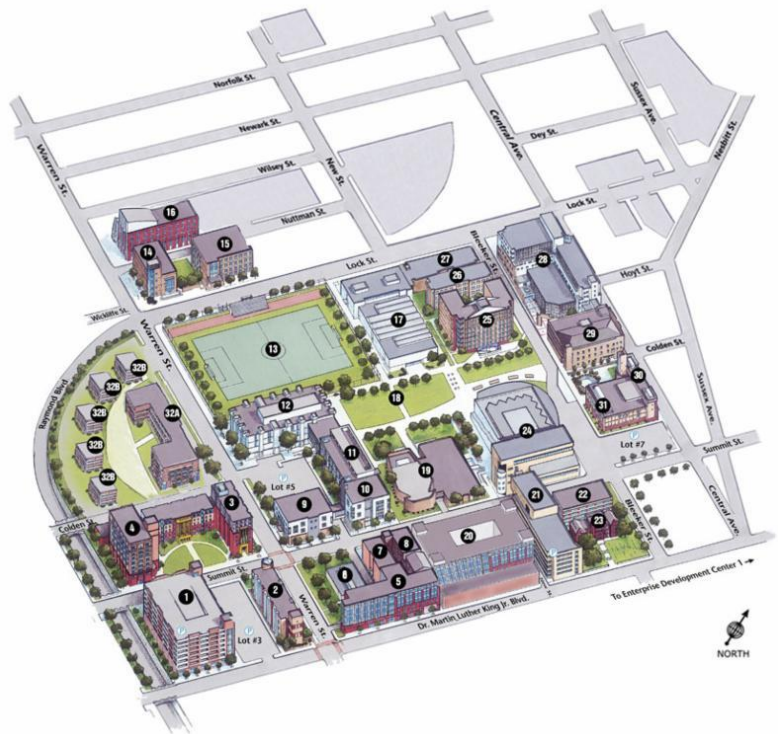
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## ASK ANYTHING



Have a question or concern? Use the [Ask Anything link](#). Your questions are completely anonymous and once a week we will post answers to Ask Anything questions on the [Murray Center website](#) or the Murray Center Facebook page.

## KNOW WHERE TO GO



[Download](#) a map to help you navigate the campus.