



WIN Fall Newsletter

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Dear Harlem Lacrosse Women's Impact Network Members,

As the year comes to a close, we extend our heartfelt gratitude to all of our WIN members for your incredible support of Harlem Lacrosse's young women. Your deep participation, thought partnerships, and generosity have transformed lives, and we are excited to welcome new members into this growing network of changemakers.

To our newest members, WELCOME! We are excited to have you join this dynamic and growing network of change-makers. If you know others who may be interested in joining us, it's not too late—your advocacy continues to be a powerful force.

[We invite you all to read our recently released Impact Report, where you can see firsthand how your contributions are shaping brighter futures for all of our Harlem Lacrosse students and college alumni.](#)

For those looking to **complete their pledge contributions before December 31st**, please don't hesitate to reach out to [Emma Barrow](#) for assistance with completing your WIN pledges for the current year.

COMPLETE YOUR PLEDGE HERE

Thank you for being such an essential part of the Harlem Lacrosse community. We look forward to the opportunities the new year will bring.

We wish you and yours a healthy and happy holiday season!



From the field to the future.

WIN VIRTUAL CAREER PANEL RECAP AND SAVE THE DATE

In February, we hosted our inaugural [WIN Virtual Career Panel](#), which was a tremendous success. Alumni and WIN members found the panel invaluable, with many attendees sharing how much they learned, both from the panelists and each other.

Looking ahead, we're thrilled to announce the **2nd Annual WIN Career Panel!** To ensure the best turnout, we'd love your input on potential dates.

Please share your availability via [this Doodle Poll](#) and we'll work to finalize a time that works for the majority.



ALUMNI SPOTLIGHT: MARIAMA'S PATH TO SUCCESS



Mariama, a Harlem Lacrosse alumna and 2nd-year student-athlete at Brown University, recently secured a coveted internship with Fortress Investments, a prominent Wall Street firm. Mariama's story highlights the transformative power of mentorship and encouragement from networks like WIN. Initially hesitant about pursuing this opportunity, Mariama shared:

"I was hesitant because I thought it would be too hard, but I said the same thing about Brown. Now look where I am—thriving. You guys were right; I shouldn't turn down this opportunity."

WIN SHINES AT 2024 GALA!

Several current and prospective WIN members filled the room on November 7th in NYC as we celebrated a record-setting benefit gala. WIN's impact of raising over \$130K was highlighted on stage as a pre-cursor to HS223 junior Aziyah Solis delivering heartfelt remarks.



RECENT COLLEGE COMMITMENTS

We are thrilled to announce the college commitments of some incredible Harlem Lacrosse student-athletes!

Class of 2025

Sanaa Baldwin - University of Rhode Island

Nyla Palmer - College of the Holy Cross

Jennalee Sainte-Rivera - Clark University

Jaala Smith - Saint Mary's College of Maryland

Class of 2026

Anya Everett - University of Connecticut

Symphany James - University of Maryland, Baltimore County

Ailyah Leonard - Towson University

Taleah Leonard - University of Maryland, Baltimore County

Their hard work, dedication, and passion for academics and lacrosse have paved the way for these exciting opportunities. We can't wait to see all they accomplish in the next chapter of their journeys. Way to go!



CELEBRATING THE HARLEM LACROSSE NATIONAL TEAM

We're thrilled to share that six of our Harlem Lacrosse student-athletes competed in the prestigious IWLCA Presidents Cup—a first for our girls' teams!

Congratulations to:

🏆 **Class of 2026: Symphany James, Mya Griffith, Ja'Lynn Davis**

🏆 **Class of 2027: Tattanna Perkins, Kimanii Santiago, Asiyah Randall**



Competing on a national stage is more than an athletic milestone—it's a step toward greater visibility and equity in the sport. This experience allows them to gain exposure to college recruiters, build confidence, and inspire others to dream big. Thank you for supporting Harlem Lacrosse's mission to create pathways for success, leveling the playing field for every young woman who picks up a stick. Together, we are shaping a more inclusive future for women's lacrosse and beyond.

