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COCKTAILS & MUSIC

Chris Coogan, Music Faculty
Pianist

Amira Duroseau '17, '18
Vocalist

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EMCEE GREETINGS

Marie Muhvic
Vice President for Advancement

PRESIDENT'S WELCOME

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DISTINGUISHED ALUMNI AWARDS

Lou Radler '53
Professional Achievement Award

George and Carol Bauer
Leadership in Philanthropy Award

Richard Whitcomb '60, '66
Leadership in Philanthropy Award

Sigma Phi Alpha
Honors Society for Fones School of Dental Hygiene
Impact Award

*Award being accepted by director Marion C. Manski
and former director Marcia H. Lorentzen*

Subrina Thompson '07, '09
Rising Star Award

DESSERT AND COFFEE

UB CHOIR

Lou Radler '53

Professional Achievement Award



Louis Radler attended the University of Bridgeport on a basketball scholarship and graduated with a degree in business in 1953. After a stint in graduate studies at New York University, Radler entered the business world as an entrepreneur, specializing in the chemical manufacturing industry. Radler founded Chessco Industries in 1968 and led the firm as president until the late 1980s. (His son Jeff is now president and chief financial officer of Chessco.) Over the years, Radler has supported UB in many ways, including his establishment of a scholarship and his service on the Board of Trustees.



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George and Carol Bauer

Leadership in Philanthropy Award



George Bauer grew up on a family farm in De Soto, Missouri. As a child, he had to hitchhike to the one-room school house because there were no school buses. After earning his bachelor's and master's degrees from Washington University in St. Louis, George served as a military officer and then went on to a 31-year career at IBM, serving in a variety of executive positions. After leaving the company, he founded the investment banking firm GPB Group Ltd.

Carol Bauer, née Carol Bruns, grew up in St. Louis and is a graduate of Harris Teachers College. Carol has spent her career in teaching, philanthropy, nonprofit leadership, and spiritual guidance. She has volunteered at Norwalk Hospital for more than 40 years and is currently chaplain for the hospital's maternal and childcare units. She has also served on the boards of several nonprofit organizations.

Together, the Bauers have launched major philanthropic projects in the fields of education and health care. Last year, they announced a major gift for the creation of a new Innovation Center at the University of Bridgeport, which opened earlier today.

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Richard Whitcomb '60, '66

Leadership in Philanthropy Award



Dick Whitcomb earned his bachelor's degree in physical education from the University of Bridgeport in 1960 and his master's in secondary education in 1966. UB prepared Whitcomb for an extraordinary career at St. Luke's School in New Canaan. He served as a legendary football coach, teacher, and athletic director at the private school before being named headmaster in 1980, a position he would hold for 22 years.

Beyond his professional duties, Whitcomb has been a tireless advocate for education in the Fairfield County community. He established a scholarship to help deserving students attend St. Luke's and has been a major supporter of the Carver Foundation, which provides after school programs in Norwalk. As part of his volunteer work at the Carver Center, Whitcomb has been a mentor to many young people. He is also a dedicated supporter of the China Care Foundation in Westport. This year, Whitcomb committed a major gift to UB and led a rallying cry to inspire other Purple Knights to give back to the University.

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Sigma Phi Alpha – Gamma Chapter Honors Society for Fones School of Dental Hygiene

Impact Award



Sigma Phi Alpha is the national honors society for the dental hygiene profession. Established in 1958, the Gamma chapter of Sigma Phi Alpha at the University of Bridgeport has been a major contributor to the excellence of the dental hygiene program at the Fones School. The chapter provides scholarships for dental hygiene students and donates equipment to the program. The chapter also provides funding for upgrades at the Fones School. The chapter offers a review board course every February for students who are about to graduate, preparing them for their national board exams. Accepting the award for Sigma Phi Alpha are Fones School Director Marion C. Manski and former Director Marcia Lorentzen.



Former director Marcia H. Lorentzen



Director Marion C. Manski

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Subrina Thompson '07, '09

Rising Star Award



Subrina Thompson is a Senior Vice President at Goldman Sachs (GS) and an engineering leader with over a decade of experience managing projects for a global team in financial software. As a student at the University of Bridgeport, she was a NACME scholar (National Action Council for Minorities in Engineering) and founding member of UB's NSBE (National Society of Black Engineers) and SWE (Society of Women Engineers) student groups. She earned her bachelor's (2007) and master's (2009) degrees in Computer Science from UB and interned at GS in 2008, followed by a full-time position in 2009. She has served as an adjunct professor in computer science at UB for 11 years, where she has taught hundreds of computer science and engineering students their introductory programming courses. Thompson also organizes events for All Star Code, Columbia Girls in STEM and Girls Who Code Diversity Summer Programs at GS and is a leader on the mentoring pillar for the 2019 Diversity Summer Programs. Thompson led a HackerRank workshop at the University of the West Indies, Jamaica, on behalf of GS to help prepare students looking to apply for summer internships at GS. She sits on multiple panels regarding philanthropic endeavors for students interning at GS, as well as potential hires, including the GS 2019 Engineering Essentials 5-Day Program.

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Chris Coogan

Pianist

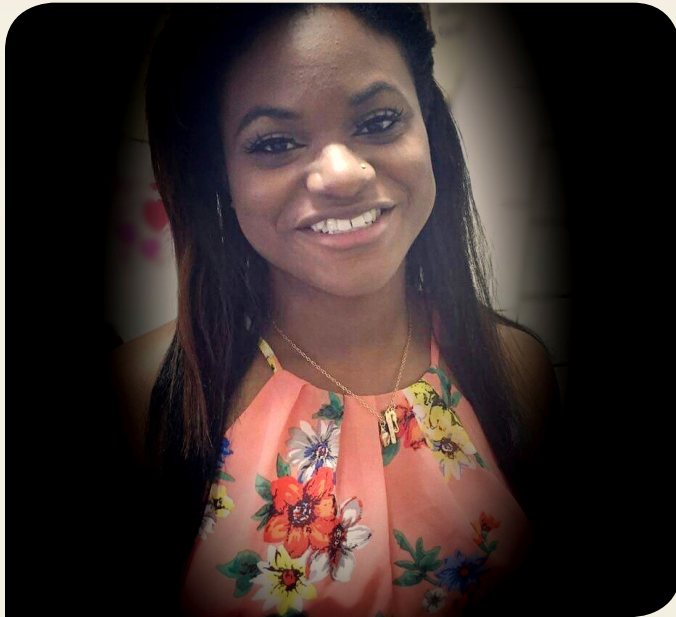
Chris Coogan has spent a lifetime astounding audiences with his jazz and gospel music. The New York Times calls him "a masterful pianist." Winner of the John Lennon Songwriting Competition, he has recorded eight CDs featuring his original jazz and gospel music. He has performed at Manhattan's Blue Note and Montreux Jazz Festival and shared the spotlight with musical legends Bette Midler, Donna Summer, Paul Shaffer, Stevie Van Zandt, Ronnie Spector, Darlene Love, Mavis Staples, Phoebe Snow, and Lesley Gore. Chris has entertained Bill and Hillary Clinton, Paul Newman, Martha Stewart and Whoopi Goldberg. His TV credits include Celebrity Jeopardy, the Arsenio Hall Show, a PBS documentary on evangelist Aimee Semple McPherson, BBC America's series "Copper" and four national spots for the Humane Society. As a gospel artist, Chris has performed with Take 6, Al Sharpton, Jesse Jackson, Maya Angelou, and Richard Smallwood. As a writer/arranger, Chris founded and directs the Good News Gospel Choir. Most weekdays, you will find Chris teaching jazz piano and gigging with his quintet. "I see myself as a catalyst who uses the medium of music to bring people together."



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Amira M. Duroseau '17, '18

Vocalist



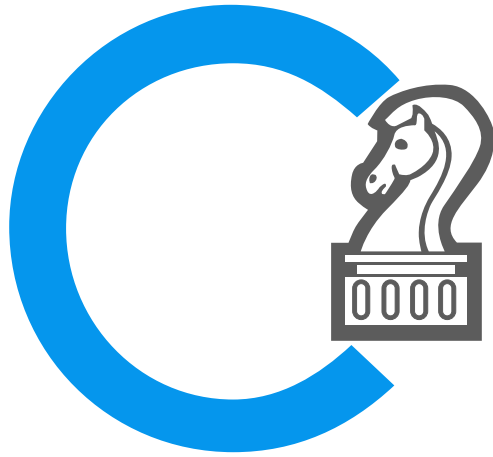
Amira M. Duroseau always loved singing since she was a little girl. She grew up singing in a choir and, throughout her middle and high school years, she participated in music programs outside of school. As she was trying to study music on her own, she decided to attend the University of Bridgeport from 2013-18, getting her bachelor's in music and then deciding to study for her master's in music education. In college she was able to focus and study on what she loved and became hands-on with musical instruments. She improved in stage performance, jazz vocals, and gained a lot of musical knowledge. Duroseau loved and enjoyed being around musicians who were also inspired by music. Currently, she teaches general music for grades 6-8 at Tisdale School. She will continue to spread her love of music through education and plans to gig more in the future.

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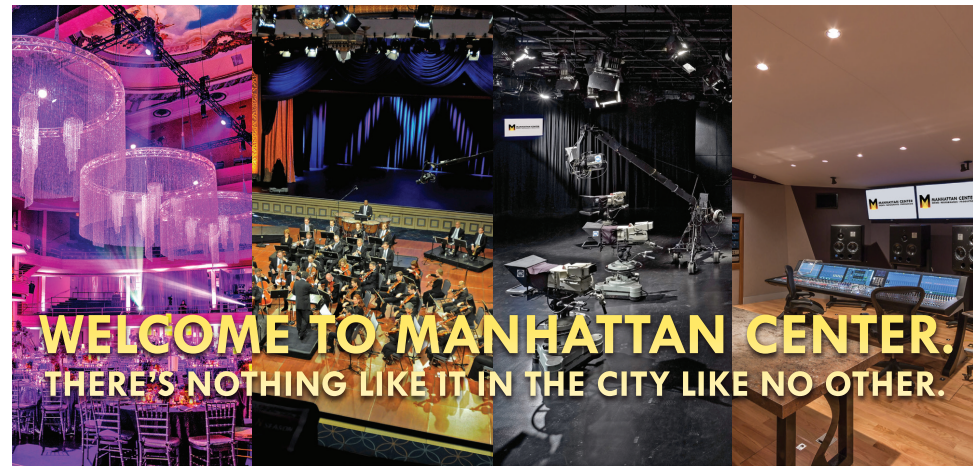
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