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## Academy News and Notes!

MONDAY, JULY 12, 2021

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Each day this week, TAA will provide all participants with an update filled with **News and Notes**, reflecting on what you have learned and anticipating what is in store.

Let us know if you have any news or information to share that we can include in the daily newsletter. This will keep everyone up to date and will help make sure that we can stay in communication with our entire TAA Community!

Please email any information you would like to include to [taa@belmont.edu](mailto:taa@belmont.edu).



### TODAY'S MUSER!

**Gabriela Lena Frank**  
Monday, July 12 at 1:00 PM (CDT)

For more information on the TAA Musing with Gabriela Lena Frank, please [click here](#).

The appearance of Gabriela Lena Frank is made possible by a generous gift from the Country Music Association Foundation.

### Quotable Quotes!

"Without you and what you do every day, we would be in a state of a permanent pandemic. As the novelist, Edith Wharton once said: "There are two ways of spreading light: to be the candle or the mirror that reflects it." You do both of those things, and you do them exceedingly well."

"We at the Academy are here this week to say that you are the ones bringing joy back into this world. We are here this week to tell you that what you do is important - is worthy - and is desperately needed to make our world whole once again."

"You changed, you adapted, you found insight, passion, and strength that kept this entire nation going - while so many others were shut down and shut out."

~ Frank Bluestein, Opening Remarks

### Recommended Reading!

*"A profound, unquenchable longing almost always forces us to do things we normally would never imagine ourselves doing -- even things seemingly contradictory to our natures. When confronted with overwhelming obstacles of a kind we've never faced before - in pursuit of something we cannot live without, - we are forced to change, to adapt, to dig deeper into ourselves for some insight, passion, or strength that will give us the power we need to keep going."*

**The Art of Character: Creating Memorable Characters for Fiction, Film, and TV**  
by David Corbett as mentioned by Frank Bluestein in his opening remarks.

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### Lend Us Your Ears!

Some of you asked about yesterday's program listing for the fabulous Steven Banks performance!

Here is the program that was performed on Sunday.

**Steven Banks, saxophone**  
**Xak Bjerken, piano**  
**Zorá Quartet**

**Pequeña Czarda**, PEDRO ITURRALDE (1929-2020) 4:00 Break

**Fantasy Pieces, Op. 73** ROBERT SCHUMANN (1810-1856) 4:00  
III. Rasch und mit Feuer

**Come As You Are** STEVEN BANKS (1993 - ) 5:30  
I. Lift My Eyes

**Milonga del Ángel** ASTOR PIAZZOLLA (1921-1992) 4:00

**Come As You Are** STEVEN BANKS (1993 - ) 3:00  
II. Times of the Storm

**Syrinx, L. 129** CLAUDE DEBUSSY (1862-1918) 3:00

**Come As You Are** STEVEN BANKS (1993 - ) 4:40  
III. Strength of My Life

**Oboe Quartet in F major, K.370** W. A. MOZART (1756-1791) 10:30  
I. Allegro II. Adagio

**Come As You Are** STEVEN BANKS (1993 - ) 4:15  
IV. Lift My Hands

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