



August 3, 2020

Dear CAM Faculty, Staff and Colleagues,

The All-CAM Faculty and Staff Welcome Back Meetings will be held on Zoom Tuesday, August 11th and Wednesday, August 12th from 8:30am -11:30am.

These meetings are required for all:

- CAM Faculty (t/tt, clinical track, and instructor ranks— other ranks may attend but not required)
- All Unit Staff (MEIS, CA FITV, DAC, NSMF)
- Dean's Office & CAM Professional Staff

Zoom links will be sent in an email to follow.

When we left our offices on Friday, March 13th, there were many uncertainties. Since that date, a great deal has happened:

- CU Denver has a new Chancellor.
- Her expectations have been outlined publicly and the Dean's message of July 23rd outlined a CAM response.
- Mark Rabideau has joined CAM as the new Associate Dean for Academic and Faculty Affairs, and several other faculty hires and staff departures will be announced at the opening welcome-back meetings on Aug 11th and 12th.
- The cultures of creativity, the arts and design continue on an even greater trajectory of working across disciplines, moving away from the "siloeed" concepts of the 20th Century.
- The CAM website has been transformed with very compete and essential information about our work since March—and the anticipated safe return to campus.
- CAM is proud to announce the engagement of [Katie Leonard to serve as a Special Advisor to the Dean and Activist-in-Residence to CAM](#). Leonard is a Denver native and lead organizer for Anti-Racist Club Colorado. She received her B.A. in African American Studies with a concentration on Music and Art History from Harvard College in 2017.

[Here](#) is a listing of current CAM leadership and professional staff.

[FAQs for students.](#)

The prospects of this next academic/creative year are very exciting, and I look forward to seeing you all next week.

Onward!

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Laurence Kaptain'.

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