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When **Will McNamara** ('18) signed up for the American Indian Law Clinic (AILC) during his second year in law school, he had no idea that would be the catalyst for law-related travels to the United Nations in New York; to North Dakota to assist the Standing Rock Sioux tribe; to New Mexico and Arizona with the United Nations Special Rapporteur on the rights of indigenous peoples to visit representatives of tribal nations; and to India and Jamaica—all before his 3L year.

First as a student attorney in the AILC, then as a recipient of the ; nllZg?^chplab\_i hkBmkZrhgZe= bi nrK^lherthg%Zg| BgZa% through a connection made during his fellowship, McNamara's ^qZf i e^lenkZrl ra^kbi e^ ^\naZmZg'h\knkpa^gZQ| ^f b' programming meets international connections, a key goal of Dean **S. James Anaya**.

In May 2017, Anaya announced his strategic priorities for Colorado Law, which include broadening access and inclusiveness, strengthening academic excellence, and connecting globally. K^h' gslg` raZma^lgrkhhgg^rn] g^ll h\_



As part of their coursework. With a desire to pursue public interest law and foreign/domestic civil litigation, **Patrick Lee** ('18) applied for and received an international public interest fellowship from Colorado Law, which allowed him to work on ongoing litigation and international advocacy in Belize last summer. For two months, he supported a local lawyer with several cases going to court related










**Margot Kaminski** joins Colorado Law from The Ohio State University Moritz College of Law, where she served as an assistant professor since 2014. Kaminski teaches, researches, and writes on law and technology. Her work has focused on privacy, speech, and online civil liberties, in addition to international intellectual property law and e-commerce. She received her LL.M. from Harvard University and Yale Law School, where she co-founded Yale's Media Freedom and Information Access Clinic, a law school clinic dedicated to increasing government transparency, protecting freedom of expression, and defending the work of news gatherers. From 2011 to 2014, Kaminski served as the executive director of the Information Society Project at Yale Law School, an intellectual center addressing the implications of new information technologies for law and society.

Kaminski is currently completing her Fulbright-Schuman



**Benjamin Levin** studies criminal law and its collateral consequences. His research focuses on the ways in which the criminal justice system interacts with tort, civil rights, and labor and employment law. Before joining the Colorado Law faculty, Levin served as a Climenko Fellow and law lecturer at Harvard Law School. At Harvard, he designed and taught an upper-level elective, Overcriminalization and the Limits of Criminal Law, in addition





### INDIGENOUS RIGHTS EXPERTS CONVENE AT COLORADO LAW

Colorado Law hosted a two-day Expert Seminar on Opportunities and Challenges for Indigenous Peoples' Entrepreneurship on March 6 and 7, 2017. The event brought together the U.N. Expert Mechanism on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples, a group of



### BOYD LAUNCHES ENERGY INNOVATION LABORATORY

Professor **William Boyd** launched the Laboratory for Energy and Environmental Policy innovation (LEEP), which works with partners around the world to develop and support real-time policy experiments; establish robust networks for learning and exchange; and

from the Brazilian state of Acre and is working with the Acre government and the Federal University of Acre to develop a formal exchange program with the University of Colorado. Boyd also continued his work leading the Governors' Climate and Forests Task Force, a unique subnational collaboration of 35 states and provinces from nine countries working to

Norway, Peru, Brazil, and Indonesia during 2017. Learn more at



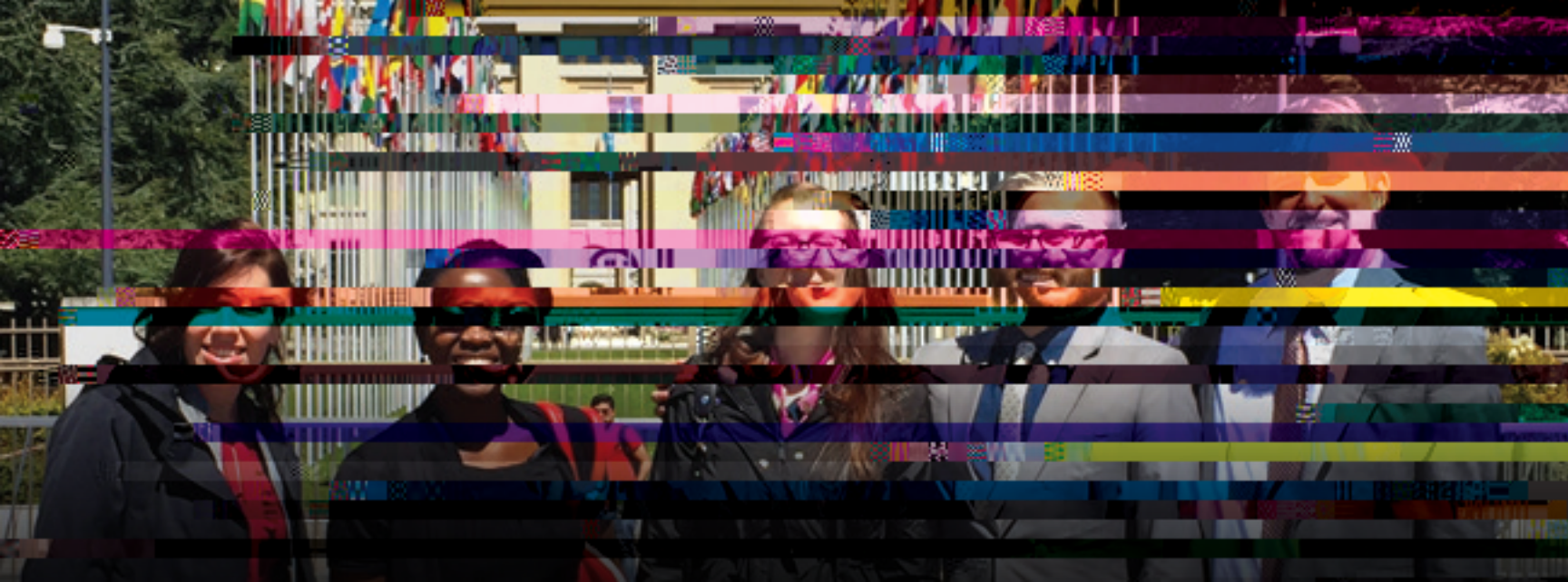
Ma^LrZg] lg` Kh\dLbnq]rkj`^Öß` anZ` Zglma^= ZchrZ: \\ll` pipeline precipitated one of the largest indigenous rights movements in recent American history. What started as a prayer camp established by a couple dozen tribal members to advocate against placement of the pipeline on ancestral territory culminated in thousands of Inj i hkrk] kf` Zkng] ra^^ d[ ^nkZ`dg` ihra^`hgàn`g`^h\_`ra^^ Cannonball and Missouri rivers in rural North Dakota. While grateful for the support, the tribe's resources were quickly overwhelmed. Thus, in September 2016, the American Indian Law Clinic (AILC) at Colorado Law entered into an agreement with the tribe to provide legal support for the tribe's opposition to the Dakota Access pipeline.

First, the AILC established Standing Rock Legal Connect, a hotline for those looking to receive or contribute legal assistance. Legal Connect was run by AILC students and received more than 400 emails and phone calls from supporters. Those arrested during the direct actions were put in contact with the Water Protector Legal Collective, a legal team composed of criminal defense and civil rights attorneys located at the Oceti Sakowin Camp. For those looking to donate their time, the AILC compiled a volunteer database so the rkj`^\\hnd` j nbde` Z\\ll` j nZdß^]` e` Zei` kh\_`ll`hgZd`.

In September 2016, members of the AILC traveled to North = ZchrZ`ih`obma^`k`l`^k`o`Zrhg`Zg]` pbg`ll` ra^^` ^`rh`\_`ra^^: Ee<` Ö` phkd`hg`ra`rkj`^Ö` hkrh`ih` khr`n`rh`e`Zg]` Zg]` k`l`h`nk`l`^`Lm`^grh` held working meetings with the tribe's legal department and the lawyers based at the camp. The visit provided students with an invaluable opportunity to observe the extraordinary gathering of indigenous peoples, and provided students with a truer sense of the people and values their work was supporting.

As a direct result of meetings with the tribe, the AILC partnered with Colorado Law's Entrepreneurial Law Clinic to ensure that the LrZg]` lg` Kh\dLbnq]rkj`^Ö`aZ` Zgl` d` h`p`k`i` k`i` ^k` i` khr`n`rj]` as the tribe's intellectual property.

Next, the AILC worked with the Standing Rock, Cheyenne River, and Yankton Sioux tribes to access international remedies. The : Ee<` Zg]` ra`rkj`^l` Bkn]` khr` anZ`nglß^]` k`j` n`l`m]`kk`d`\_`rh`ra^^ Inter-American Commission on Human Rights (IACHR). Working pba`>Zkac`l`rkj`^Ö`l`g`Zrhg`Zeh` \\%ra^^: Ee<` k`j` n`l`rj]` Z` Öa`f` Zrh`a`Zdg` Ö`h`n`lg``hg`ra`f` i` Z`nh`\_`^`qk`Z`do`^`g`k`r` and infrastructure projects on indigenous rights. The AILC provided



In May 2017, I had the privilege of presenting at the United Nations World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO) in Geneva, Switzerland, on the role of copyright law in facilitating access to media by people with disabilities. This was the culmination of my work in the Samuelson-Glushko Technology Law and Policy Clinic.

From the mountains near Marrakesh to the streets of Casablanca, the 16 Colorado Law students in Clinical Professors **Colene Robinson** and **Ann England**'s Comparative Criminal and Juvenile Law course are broadening their knowledge of the

The semester-long class, which follows previous comparative law a unique collaborative immersion approach to understanding both criminal and family law in a global context.

During the trip, students met with Moroccan judges, advocates, prosecutors, defense attorneys, law professors, and nongovernmental agencies in Casablanca and Rabat; attended court and lectures on Islamic law and society; read original sources and interviewed criminal- and juvenile-rights activists; toured prison facilities and youth rehabilitation centers; and spent the weekend trekking in the Atlas Mountains above Marrakesh.

"This class is all about taking yourself out of this bubble that we live in. We live and breathe the United States and the laws here, and it's important to see how other people do things, to broaden our horizons,"

Leading up to the trip, students selected a research topic, which visit in Colorado. They will present on their impressions about both systems to the Colorado Law community at the end of the semester

For those with limited knowledge about another country's justice system, this class allows students to challenge their assumptions

On return home, however, they question those assumptions and ask themselves, 'How can we do something better?' or conversely,

In 2011, Robinson (and Professor **Clare Huntington**) launched students compared areas of family law in the U.S. and India, violence. While in India, they also volunteered at an anti-human- The following year, Robinson and England combined their respective expertise in juvenile law and criminal law into a comparative law class in Ecuador, where students researched criminal justice and child protection law. Notably, they visited a women's prison where women were allowed to live with their children; sat in on trials; and interviewed litigants, attorneys, public defenders, district attorneys, and children in local schools.

"For law students, who are still in the process of building and shaping their thoughts about our justice system and the law, trips like these

"The more ideas you have on the table, the better you will be at what you do. I think these kinds of classes, where students can be involved and meet people from all over the world and get new ideas, will help them be able to come back and shape the future of our legal system

**Ashlee Arcilla** ('12) participated in the Ecuador trip and now serves Counsel, which provides legal repre

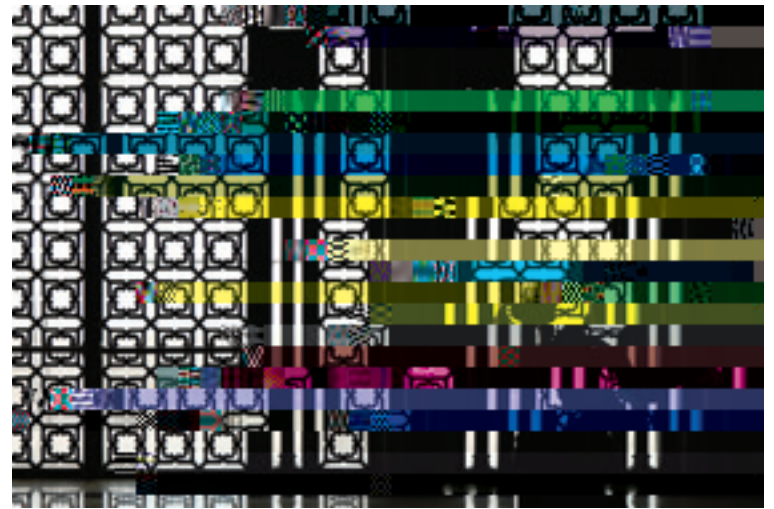




The group inside Hassan II Mosque in Casablanca



Kasbah main gate, Rabat



Megan Deaton ('18) inside the Hassan II Mosque



Walking around the Kasbah in Rabat.



Hiking trail from Imlil village in the Atlas mountains to Toubkal, the highest peak in North Africa at 13,671 feet.

From the depths of the Grand Canyon in 1869, John Wesley Powell, ra^Bklnn\^ll\_ne^qi^] bllg'h\_ ra^<hkhZ]hKlo^kq\_khm^OP V^azo^Zg'ngdghpg'] bZg^r^rnh' kng^Zg'ngdghpg'ko^kih^qi\_ek^O]hp^epZ'lg']lk^lnkZlra^aZ] elnab'l\bgrfb'lglnkf^gmZg]f hlnh\_ab'h]Zg]ngdghpg' perils lay downstream. Nonetheless, Powell's crew completed the journey and returned with invaluable observations. Today, the river's geography is mapped to the minutest detail. Yet Powell's words apply as much in 2017 as they did the day they were penned.

From its headwaters in Rocky Mountain National Park to its now-sandy delta in Mexico, the Colorado River is dotted with dams and diversions, supplying water to upwards of 40 million people across two countries, seven states, and 28 tribal nations. The Colorado River is also the cultural heart of the Southwest, serving as a jaw-dropping recreational paradise and home to many tribes' sacred sites. That complex background convinced Professor **Sarah Krakof** that the legal framework governing the Colorado River could only truly be understood by getting our feet wet. Two years ago, she started planning a class that would culminate in a two-week rafting journey through the heart of the Colorado River, the Grand Canyon.

Last spring, that class became a reality. Seventeen students, including myself, studied the legal and policy issues of the Colorado River re-

# SILICON FLATIRONS' INTERNATIONAL WORKSHOP BUILDS GLOBAL CONNECTIONS IN PARIS

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A group of 26 academics, policymakers, and industry experts convened in Paris, France, to identify key research challenges and opportunities in the regulation of radio communications. The International Spectrum Workshop, held June 28, 2017, was organized by the Silicon Flatirons Center for Law, Technology, and Entrepreneurship at the University of Colorado and the Governance and Regulation Chair at the Université Paris–Dauphine. The event was held in the historic Raymond Aron conference room, which served as the command room of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization from 1959 to 1966.

The objective of the workshop was to bring together experts

A presentation in the Raymond Aron conference room.

## **MARTZ SPRING SYMPOSIUM ADDRESSES EMERGING REGIONAL ISSUES AND PARIS CLIMATE AGREEMENT**

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its Martz Spring Symposium with a lively  
Oxford-style debate about whether the  
U.S. should remain a party to the Paris  
climate agreement. In addition to in-depth  
discussions on federal public lands, mining,  
regulation of the oil and gas industry,  
and challenges and opportunities in our  
energy and electric systems, Professor  
**Charles Wilkinson** and former U.S. Sen.  
Mark Udall engaged in a thoughtful  
conversation with GWC Executive Director  
**Alice Madden** ('89) about conservation.

Professor **Mark Squillace** discussed the



# PREPARING THE NEXT GENERATION OF LEADERS IN LAW AND COMMUNITY



The Leaders in Law and Community (LILAC) fellowship program does not only recruit lawyers but leaders in society. The program's goal is to address diversity in the legal profession by recruiting and developing students from backgrounds underrepresented in law schools and the legal profession.

LILAC is a comprehensive three-year program that educates fellows and cultivates their leadership potential by assisting them with tools such as full scholarships, intensive 1L seminars, public service projects, and mentors.

Students from disadvantaged backgrounds, have diverse cultural identities, backgrounds, and accomplishments, these students have the potential to use their law degrees to be transformational leaders in law and the community.

In recruiting LILAC fellows, Colorado Law looked beyond commonly used criteria—LSAT scores and GPAs—to indicators of success such as community leadership, perseverance, and demonstrated ability to problem-solve and think critically.

LILAC provides opportunities for community engagement that connects fellows to Colorado Law alumni and friends. They will also have travel opportunities associated with externships, conferences, and other programming that complement the classroom experience and broaden the fellows' horizons.

To donate to support this transformational program, visit [www.coloradolaw.edu/lilac](http://www.coloradolaw.edu/lilac). If you have additional questions or comments about LILAC or would like to volunteer as a mentor, please email [lawdean@colorado.edu](mailto:lawdean@colorado.edu).

# MEET OUR INAUGURAL LILAC FELLOWS

## **Leanna Gavin**

Hometown: Cumberland, Rhode Island

Leanna feels strongly that her “life’s purpose is to help underprivileged children and their families. She chose Colorado Law to pursue a career in child welfare law, and she chose Colorado Law because of its exceptional reputation in the areas of family and juvenile law and public service, and because of its overall ranking among law schools. These were important factors in Leanna’s decision because she wants to be well prepared to use her law degree to protect the rights of children. She is happy and relieved to be a LILAC Fellow.”







**STRENGTHENING ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE**

Colorado Law is already a top law school, recently ranked 36th in the nation by U.S. News & World Report. Due to its strengths and reputation are the quality of the education provided and the quality of the research and programming advanced. To maintain and elevate its strengths, Colorado Law must retain and attract faculty members who have, or have the potential to earn, national or international reputations for excellence. Colorado Law must provide these faculty with resources geared toward student success, maximizing career opportunities, and addressing the challenges of the 21st century.

Endowed faculty professorships and chairs provide Colorado Law with funding and prestige to help retain faculty who are being actively recruited by other law schools and to attract top faculty from across the country and world. Alumni and friends with the resources to endow a chair, professorship, or faculty fellowship have a significant impact on Colorado Law's future and on the continued excellence of its faculty. Our world-class research centers and programs, which are platforms for the exchange of ideas, experiential learning, and legal innovation, also depend on the generous support of our alumni and friends. More information is available at [www.coloradolaw.edu/giving](#) and [www.coloradolaw.edu/giving](#)

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“The train of life is going to take you to really strange and interesting places, and all of it is because you’ve gotten

**Jeffery Grimes ('90)**

In-house Counsel  
ARC Document Solutions, Inc.

**APRIL 2017**

“One of the most rewarding things for me—in light of all the turmoil and changes at the federal level—is seeing the greater impact that Denver can have on the day-to-day lives of people living in the city. If we stay true to

**Kristin Bronson ('97)**

City Attorney  
City and County of Denver

**JUNE 2017**

“What really excited me about commercial litigation is just the complexity of the cases and the law because intellectual stimulation

**Sarah Wallace ('99)**

Partner

“I think your professional network is inseparable from your career. What are careers if not successive and expanding networks of professional relations? Networking is critically important for developing a career, but I don’t think it works if you’re doing it solely to get

**John H. Cook IV ('15)**  
In-house Counsel  
DISH Network

“While I’ve learned not to be afraid to utilize my network when I need to, I also consider helping others to be an important part of networking. Even at my vintage, I can connect people, describe my experiences, or proofread a friend’s job application. Recognizing that paying it forward is more important than receiving advice or introductions

**Abigail Wallach ('15)**  
Associate Attorney, Civil Litigation  
Wheeler Trigg O’Donnell, LLP

“Networking literally got me my job. I remember all the networking sessions at Colorado Law. The message was often: ‘Put yourself out there and keep trying and you will be amazed at what happens.’ I’m not afraid to admit I didn’t believe that when I was in school. Now, I am a networking evangelist. I preach networking to everyone.



The Honorable **John J. Tobin ('49)** died at age 93 on June 24, 2016, after a long illness. Tobin was appointed to the bench in 1951 and served as a municipal judge in Fort Collins for 38 years before





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The Fort Collins Area Chamber of Commerce presented **David Wood** ('62) with its prestigious Collins Award, recognizing long-standing contribution to the community. Wood, who grew up in Fort Collins, served as general counsel of Poudre Valley Health System and University of Colorado Health, from which he retired in 2010. He also served as outside counsel for the CSU Foundation and CSU Research Foundation.

1970

The Honorable **Gary Jackson** ('70) received the 2017 Judicial Excellence Award—County Court from the Colorado Judicial Institute. Jackson is a judge on the Denver County Court, a position to which he was appointed in 2013. He will be honored at the Judicial Excellence for Colorado Dinner in October.

1971

**P'AZhē Ūhgrō?dp^k** ('71) received the Colorado Trial Lawyers Association's Outstanding Service to CTLA Award in May 2017. Flowers is a litigator with Boulder's Hurth, Sisk & Blake-more LLC, and is a member of the Colorado Law Alumni Board.

The Colorado Judicial Institute selected the Honorable **Greg Popovich** ('71) as the recipient of its 2017 Judicial Excellence Award—District Court. Popovich served as a judge in the 17th Judicial District from 1986 until his retirement in May 2017. He will be honored at the Judicial Excellence for Colorado Dinner in October.

1973

The Colorado Lawyers Committee honored **David Stark** ('73) with its Outstanding Sustained Contribution Award at its 2017 Awards Luncheon in May. The award recognizes his longstanding support and extensive involvement with the organization. A partner at Faegre Baker Daniels LLP, Stark has more than 43 years of trial experience in the areas of professional responsibility, natural resources, securities fraud, intellectual property, banking, and energy. Stark is a member of the Colorado Law Alumni Board.

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**Stephen Cook** ('75) has partnereEMwD 29.8 (d.)TJETEMC /Span <Lang (en-US)/MC 662.40



Higgins, Hopkins, McLain & Roswell, LLC  
announced that **Mark Honhart** ('95) joined the



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Markusson, Green & Jarvis as an associate. His practice is focused on civil litigation, with emphasis on defending personal injury, construction defect, and business dispute matters throughout Colorado.

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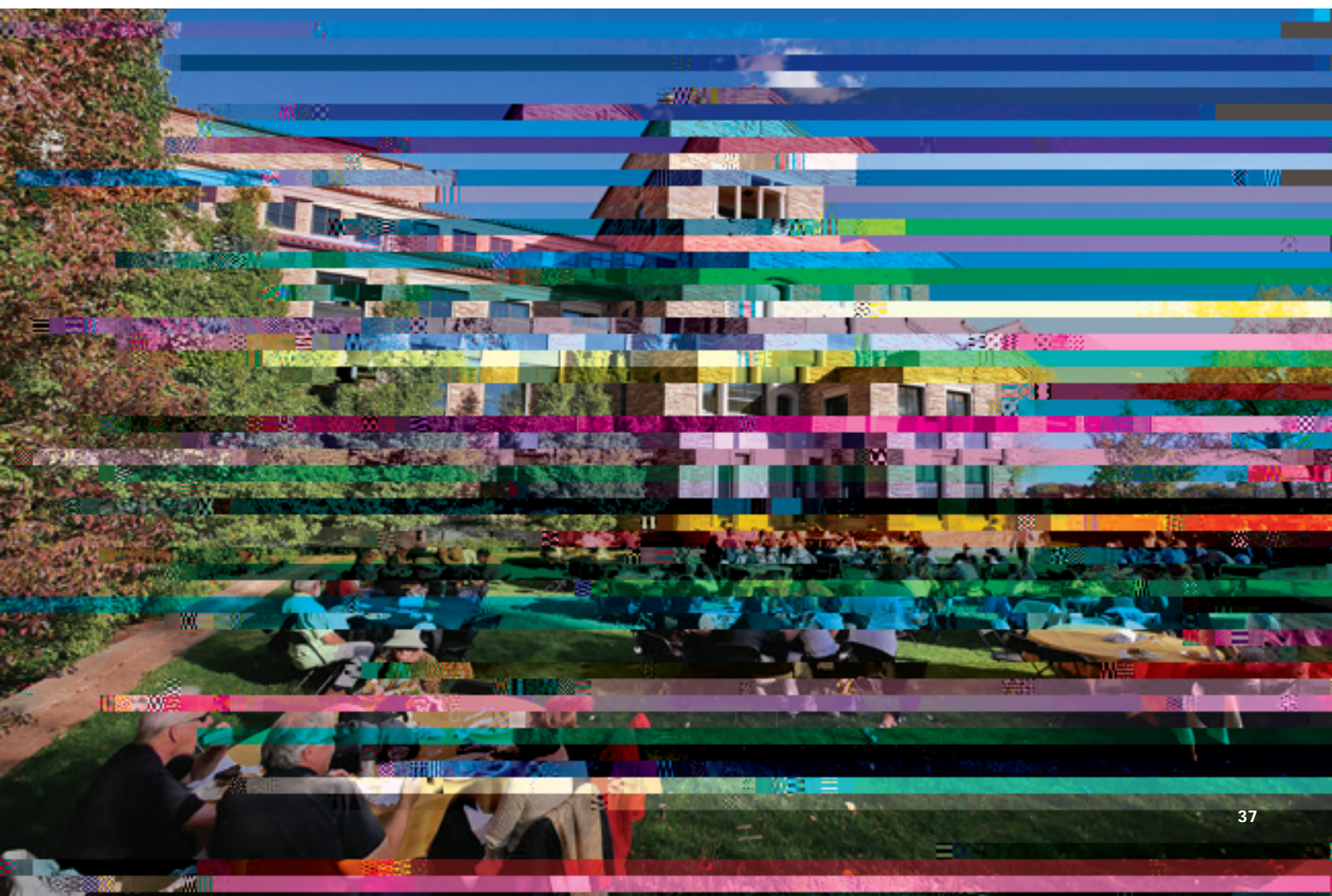


# GROWING A GLOBAL PERSPECTIVE

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BY CHARLES BEDFORD ('92)  
REGIONAL MANAGING DIRECTOR-ASIA PACIFIC  
THE NATURE CONSERVANCY  
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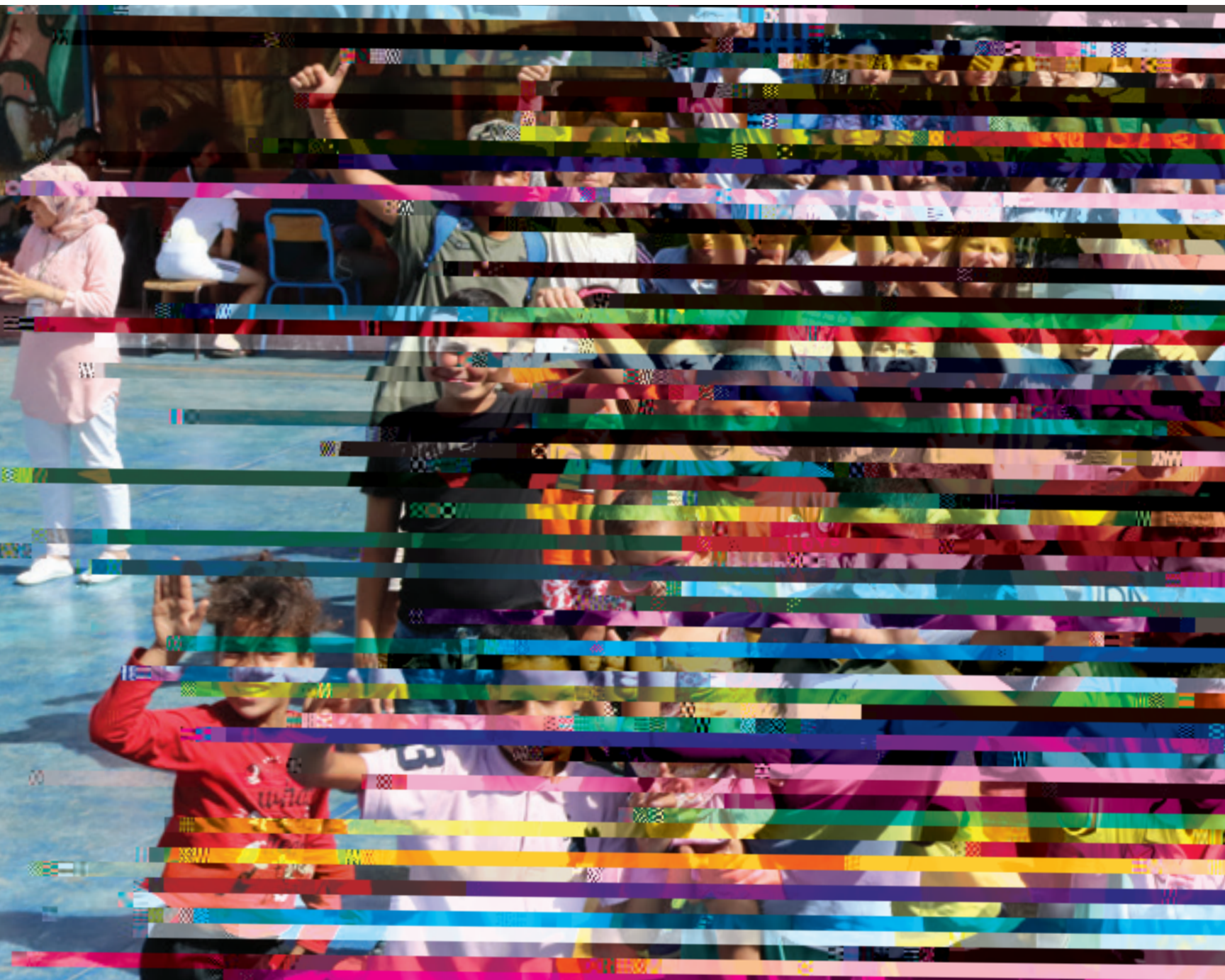
My 13-year-old daughter, Carter, a sixth-generation Coloradan, has grown up between Beijing, Hong Kong, and Leadville, Colorado. Her classmates come from 58 countries, and she has been speaking Mandarin with a Beijing accent since she was 6 years old. Her friends are from all over the world—she has friends in London, Paris, and New York. We have traveled to many countries, including China, where we have spent time in the mountains of Tibet. Vacations for us mean trekking in nature with her friends and our families in Nepal or Japan where they connect with local kids—they've walked the Barkhor Circuit with pilgrims in Lhasa



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