Dear SWAN NYC Hub member,

What is the one thing you want people to take away from a meeting? How can tone and cadence have the most impact in an interaction? On June 13, we held our second skills session of 2016, entitled 'Developing a Voice,' at the New York Film Academy. The evening kicked off with a dynamic practicum that explored how to develop an effective communication style in the workplace, followed by a panel discussion of seasoned SAIS alumnae who shared their personal experiences and challenges.

Special thanks to Kate Felsen ('93), Emily Howells ('08), Daniela Kaisth ('89), Elizabeth Madigan Jost
We have also launched our own [SWAN NYC LinkedIn group](https://www.linkedin.com/groups/12345678) - it takes seconds to join and will instantly connect you with fellow NYC-based SAIS alumnae!

As you can see below, we are already starting to plan our fall calendar. Please let us know if you're interested in helping us plan/organize one or more of these events - the more you help us, the more events we can put together!

As always - please feel free to forward this message to your NYC-based SAIS colleagues so that we can broaden our network.

Best,
The SWAN NYC leadership team (Emily Howells ’08, Amanda Larson ’10, Flory Wilson ’04, Valerie Gadala-Maria ’13, Sarah McGrath ’13, and Rashmi Pendse ’04)

**UPCOMING SWAN NYC EVENTS**

1. **JULY 28TH: SUMMER HAPPY HOUR**
   SWAN will be co-hosting the annual Summer Happy Hour with the SAIS New York Alumni Club
   
   When: Thursday, July 28, 6:30 PM
   Where: Hurley’s, 232 West 48th Street
   No RSVP necessary - but please attend to network with fellow alums and current SAIS students who have
summer internships in NYC

2. LATE AUGUST: WOMEN OF HOPKINS NETWORKING EVENT
Come meet fellow New York-based alumnae from all Johns Hopkins schools at the inaugural "Women of Hopkins" networking event. Details to follow.

3. SEPTEMBER: SKILLS SESSION/NETWORKING OPPORTUNITY
We are planning to hold another skills session - similar to the one in June. Stay tuned for specifics.

4. OCTOBER: DINNER WITH A DISTINGUISHED SAIS ALUM
This will be the fourth in a series and our second for 2016—details to come!

5. NOVEMBER: NETWORKING EVENT
We are planning to host a dedicated networking event - details and location TBD.

6. DECEMBER: SAIS HOLIDAY PARTY
We join forces with all of the SAIS NYC alumni groups for the annual holiday party.