



Dear Members,

In a blink of an eye, half of 2016 is already complete.

This month, CUP convened multiple events that demonstrated the value and commitment we offer to our members. We began with our **6<sup>th</sup> Annual Digital Power Lunch** in early June, where **Justin B. Smith** and **Denmark West** spoke about the future of digital media, digital trends, media investments, and more. Additionally, leading up to the annual Tony Awards, CUP was able to bring together a great panel for our **Distinguished Leadership Series Event: Business of Broadway**, where producers **Stephen C. Byrd** and **Alia Jones-Harvey** and co-producer **Kenny Ozoude** from the Broadway hit *Eclipsed* discussed the in-and-outs of initiating a play and highlighted some of the challenges persons of color face in the industry. To read more about these events and view photos, check out this month's newsletter.

But we're not done! Coming up in July is this year's **8<sup>th</sup> Annual Women's Leadership Forum: The Confident Leader-Overcoming Workplace Fears** hosted by Wells Fargo on Tuesday, July 26<sup>th</sup>. We'll dive into conversations about successful female leadership and how to best face challenges specific to women in the workplace. To register for this event, please click [here](#). For more information on this event, please contact Janyce Hunt at [jhunt@cupusa.org](mailto:jhunt@cupusa.org).

I also want to extend a warm welcome to our newest members. We strongly encourage you to take full advantage of the events and opportunities that CUP regularly facilitates.

Don't forget to connect with CUP and stay up to date on all news, events, and programming through our website [www.cupusa.org](http://www.cupusa.org), [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#), and [LinkedIn](#) pages.

All my best,

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