

A Note from the Editor

As we conclude the print publication of *Connecting with Cornell* with this issue, we present some of Cornell's most dynamic and extraordinary faculty on the theme, ways of seeing. These researchers have said that being able to see—literally see minute action, whether inside cells in the human body or singular atoms in materials, or see for the first time how some social structures work—has not only uncovered much in today's research and scholarship, but also offers much more for future advancements.

Some develop instruments that enable researchers to see all kinds of processes in order to make groundbreaking discoveries. Some study how we perceive images with our eyes so that these human mechanisms can be copied for use in machines. Others visualize innovative ways of presenting both fresh and classic ideas. Still others use light in extraordinary ways.

In these interviews and articles based on interviews with Cornell faculty, you will experience how researchers and scholars are helping us to understand our world better as they open up new ways of seeing, both literally and metaphorically.

What a finale for *Connecting with Cornell*!

Although this is the last issue of *Connecting with Cornell*'s 20-year run, we will continue our coverage of Cornell's world-class faculty. The Office of the Vice Provost for Research is committed to presenting Cornell research and its monumental problem-solving impact to the world. Be on the lookout for coverage in exciting new venues.

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