Lia Paradis

Job: Associate professor and chair, history department.


Background: My mother is Australian; father French Canadian. I was born and reared in Vancouver, am a long-time New Yorker and lived for years in England. I am married to an Englishman and still have an apartment in Brooklyn.

Interests: Travel, reading, theater, interesting food and good conversation.

Person(s) I’d like to have dinner with: Joanne Liu, president of Doctors Without Borders; Salil Shetty, secretary general of Amnesty International; and Christine Lagarde, president of the International Monetary Fund. Now that would be a great conversation.

Why I work at The Rock: I enjoy figuring out ways to make students aware of the wider world and how they got to where they are. SRU is a great community of faculty, staff and students who collaborate to learn and to make a difference in the community.