

# SAN FRANCISCO

## GRANT RECIPIENTS 2009

This summer, 11 San Francisco teachers representing six schools close their classroom doors and embark on life- and career-changing odysseys around the world which they designed to fuel personal and professional growth. Empowered by a Fund for Teachers fellowship, these teachers will return to classrooms inspired and energized to share their experiences with students, colleagues and parents.



### ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

#### **Deirdre Fitzgerald**

Tenderloin Elementary School

Accompany and assist a research team from Cornell University in Marojejy National Park, Madagascar, to create an in-depth study of the dietary habits of the endangered silky sifaka lemur

#### **Clare Watsky, Jennie Chen, Clarissa Chiu, Winnie Leung, Michelle Kishimoto** 🍏

Sherman Elementary School

Attend the Teachers College Reading and Writing Project at Columbia University to study and enhance reading and writing instruction

### HIGH SCHOOL

#### **Anders Fairbanks**

Gateway High School

Observe math classes in Auckland, New Zealand, focusing on reaching diverse student populations and obtaining experiences and strategies to instill the concept that math is a universal language that we use to describe the world as we know it

#### **Brandon Paige**

City Arts and Technology High School

Attend classes at Harvard University to study and enhance teaching and leadership skills to share with colleagues and to help steer the school to adopt practices that better support student success

#### **Tiana Pastor**

International Studies Academy

Travel to Indonesia to study traditional Indonesian batik, painting and puppet making in the setting of a major Balinese art village to enhance the current art program and create a unit of study

#### **Steven Shimmon, Alex Schwartz** 🍏

Lowell High School

Travel to Japan to develop an inter-disciplinary unit for economics and comparative government by observing the culture and obtaining resources