1. Elias Beltran, currently a doctoral candidate in CU Dept of Comparative Literature.  He was in the Bard prison program (BPI) and was welcomed to campus by CPEP.  As a doctoral student, Elias has taught at least one college course inside an adult correctional facility (not related to CPEP).

2. Michael Rhynes, a former CPEP student who remains well connected to our CPEP community. He lives in Ithaca, employed by Civic Ensemble; he recently launched his own 2-hr radio program on our local independent radio station WRFI. Among his many accomplishments while incarcerated for several decades before being exonerated recently, Michael was a founding member of Phoenix Players Theatre group (PPTG) at Auburn CF.

3. Jesse Johnston was part of the first graduating cohort of students in the Cornell Certificate in Liberal Arts Program at Five Points. He lives in Rochester, earned bachelor’s and master’s degrees from U of R, and works as Case Manager at the law office of Robert King, PLLC & Legalflow LLC. Jesse is outspoken in crediting Cornell’s Prison Education Program — both the associate’s degree and the certificate program — with changing the course of his life.