

VIRTUAL GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JUNE 20 - 23, 2024



PRE-GA WEBINARS FOR REGISTRANTS

March 29 4:00 PM – 5:30 PM EDT

Unavailable or Unsure? Developing Inclusive Leadership

UUA Nominating Committee

Many of our congregations are struggling to find available and enthusiastic folks for volunteer positions. How can simplifying governance create a culture of inclusive leadership for people of color, trans, and disabled folx? The UUA Nominating Committee invites you to explore the intersection of governance and multicultural lay leadership development.

*Rev. Viola Abbitt; Rev. Suzanne Fast
Ben Gabel; Rev. Denise Rimes*

April 2 3:00 PM – 4:00 PM EDT

Everything Brought to Speech: Oral History After COVID

Unitarian Church of Lincoln

Learn about how to use oral history recordings to build congregational connections in the aftermath of traumatic events, including Covid-19. Based on the experience of the Unitarian Church of Lincoln, participants will hear what worked in Nebraska, and imagine how to bring similar work to their home congregations.

Rev. Dr. Oscar Sinclair

April 2 7:00 PM – 8:30 PM EDT

Heart Songs & Circle Songs

Heart Songs & Circle Songs is an ongoing community singing project. Participants of all ages, abilities, and backgrounds are invited to join us as we share and teach original songs, chants, and rounds affirming the principles of peace, joy, resilience, compassion, justice making, community, healing, and deep listening.

*Bernice Martin
Heather Pierson*

April 6 1:00 PM – 2:30 PM EDT

Solutions Everyone Can Support (Really!)

UU Society for Community Ministries

All interpersonal conflicts share the same challenge: finding a way to move forward together that everyone can support. Discover the innovative, game-changing approach of Collaborative Decision Making, a problem solving process which creates genuine breakthroughs engaging the support of all stakeholders - resulting in a unifying and energizing action plan.

Rev. Cathleen Cox

April 8 2:00 PM – 4:00 PM EDT

Somatic Practices to Embody Your Faith

Come nourish your spiritual growth in an embodied way. Knowing we want to grow often isn't enough to make it happen. We have to practice our way into developing new habits if we want transformation. We'll create somatic practices to live into desired growth and embodiment of our faith.

Rev. Erin Gingrich

April 9 2:00 PM – 3:00 PM EDT

Your Life Story as Scripture

Skinner House Books

Your experiences are unique, significant, and shot through with holiness. Writing memories is a way to nurture the sacred dimension of your life, participate in the creation of your identity, and offer others through your presence and stories the blessing of your evolving truth.

Elizabeth Jarrett Andrew

April 10 3:00 PM – 4:15 PM EDT

Increasing Giving through Story-Listening

People give to organizations where they feel seen, heard and known. But we seldom ask congregants to share what our congregation means to them. Creating opportunities for people to tell their own stories of transformation increases their sense of belonging, and contributions of time, money and ambassadorship follow organically.

Susan Howlett

April 11 6:30 PM – 8:30 PM EDT

Gender Non-Conforming Stories of Adversity and Hope

Family Diversity Projects

Gender Non-Conforming Folx will share the challenges and joys of their gender identity soul journeys and lives today. The stories will include their hope and need for understanding, love and action from their families and allies. We will be inviting into the conversation co-founder of Family Diversity Projects' Peggy Gillespie. Christine Mohn, Angelica Castro, Amy McNeil all co-authors of *Authentic Selves*.

Jozeppi Morelli

Fresh "Lev" White

Lana Patel

Brianna Harris

April 12 2:00 PM – 3:15 PM EDT

Soulful Singing: Uplifting One Another Through Song

Let's bring our voices together in song to amplify love, joy and empowerment. We'll sing "short-on-words, long-on-meaning; easy-to-learn, hard-to-forget" songs that foster depth and inspiration, resonance and healing, connection and community. Soulful Singing is an embodied meditative practice where every voice is welcome, including yours.

Rev. Wendy Luella Perkins

April 12 6:15 PM – 7:30 PM EDT

SoulScript: Your Personal Discovery Path

A unique, personal journey into self-awareness and empowerment. You'll blend journaling, personality assessments, and affirmations tailored specifically for insightful growth. Immerse yourself in a transformative experience and experience profound self-discovery and lasting confidence. Engage with this standout session, crafted to inspire and enrich your journey as you elevate your self-understanding.

Rev. Dianne Daniels

April 16 2:00 PM – 4:00 PM EDT

Somatic Practices for Chronic Pain & Hard Times

Experience how somatic practices could help you access safety, ease, and comfort in your body, even and especially when you are suffering with chronic pain or other hard times. Brainstorm how might you integrate somatic practices into your life, community ministry, or congregation (i.e., pastoral care, services, or justice teams).

Rev. Erin Gingrich

April 19 2:00 PM – 3:30 PM EDT

Mending the World within Our Reach

Clarissa Pinkola Estes wrote: "Ours is not the task of fixing the entire world all at once, but of stretching out to mend the part of the world that is within our reach." We'll explore ways to expand our reach and do the work we're called to in this world.

Amy Day

April 21 4:00 PM – 5:15 PM EDT

Humanizing Immigration: Transforming Our Racist and Unjust System

Beacon Press

Professor Bill Ong Hing has witnessed the dysfunction and trauma in our immigration and enforcement systems firsthand and shares concrete ideas for how allies can disrupt them to make them more humane and compassionate. Hing has represented noncitizens from all over the world and has over fifty years of experience.

Professor Bill Hing

April 22 3:00 PM – 4:00 PM EDT

Practicing Anti Racist Accountability

As our congregations move toward making their spaces and ministries fully committed to anti racism, it is imperative that we consider how and where we are spending our financial resources. Leaders from Beacon UU in Summit share how they are taking on a radically inclusive approach to funding our ministries.

Rev. Dr. Robin Tanner

Tuli Patel

Mia Morse

April 22 7:00 PM – 7:45 PM EDT

Creative Expression about Our Spiritual Journeys

UU Church of Lexington, KY

Explore and express your spiritual journey through art and writing prompts. UUs have richly diverse spiritual paths and beliefs. In this workshop create simple drawings/paintings (no art skill needed)and/or written responses about your unique path. Sharing your reflections with at least one person is recommended.

Fran Belvin

April 22 7:45 PM – 9:00 PM EDT

Stories From The Front Lines of Immigrant Justice

UURISE - UU Refugee & Immigrant Services & Education

Join UURISE for a panel discussion with immigration experts. Gain insight into an anti-racist operating model for organizations, learn about advocacy and actions you and your congregation can take to deepen and broaden your work on immigration justice, and discover tips and tools for developing community and interfaith partnerships.

Katia Hansen

Rev. Tania Marquez

Sandra Alvarado

Rachel Rott

April 26 12:00 PM – 1:00 PM EDT

A Queer Theyology of Unitarian Universalism

Unitarian Universalist Association

A Queer Theyology of Unitarian Universalism is a book project being edited by for publication by Skinner House. Queer Theyology is the full exploration of queer existence beyond our oppressive binaries that begins with understanding our marginalization under the threat of religious violence, white supremacy, patriarchy, and capitalism.

Rev. Lane Mairead-Campbell

Rev. Michael Crumpler