

The Weekly Bulletin

October 2/4, 2015

HAPPENING THIS WEEK:

BLACK LIVES MATTER AT UU! Book Discussion and Workshop

The New Jim Crow

Three Sundays | 10/4, 10/18 and 11/1 | 11:30 am - 1:00 pm

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Sponsored by the Social Justice Council (SJC) and Lifespan Religious Education (LRE), there will be three discussion sessions on the book, **The New Jim Crow** by Michelle Alexander.

A few copies of the book are available if someone wants a physical copy. Also, there is a free, downloadable PDF for those who rather read it on their tablet. Just go to: www.kropfpolisci.com/racial.justice.alexander.pdf .

Want more information? Please contact any of the co-facilitators: Lee Curran, Hilkka Easterwood and Catherine Graham. (Catherine Graham)

NEW: Sunday Morning Meditation

Every Sunday | 9:00 am | Fred Harper Room

Contact: Carla Allison | 396-1488 | cbm@hawaii.rr.com

Acquire a feeling of well-being and a sense of connectivity with something greater than yourself. Improve health while developing intuition and personal magnetism. Be calm, relaxed and at peace.

Join the New Hindu Honolulu Meditation Group for Sunday morning meditation. We meet in the Fred Harper Room from 9:00 to 9:50 am with each session beginning with 15 minutes for questions, answers and discussion. From 9:15 to 9:50 am Meditation Leaders Nohemi and Michael Lewis facilitate the Hong-Sau Technique and, as participants progress, other proven meditation techniques will be added. To learn more about the Hong-Sau technique visit www.Ananda.org

Questions? Contact Carla Allison, the group's coordinator, or simply arrive by 9:00 am to join the weekly session. (Carla Allison)

Gallery on the Pali Current Exhibit "Celebrating Creation" Veil Paintings by Pamela Landrum "WeisRose"

On display Sunday | 9/13 - 10/8 | T-F, 10:00 am - 6:00 pm & S/S, 2:00 - 6:00 pm

Pamela Landrum has been painting, teaching, and sharing her love of art, with adults and children over the last 20 years. She is a graduate of the University of Hawaii, with a BA degree in fine arts, and a

graduate of Waldorf Teacher Training, with emphasis in Art Therapy. Landrum is a former President and current member of the Hawaii Watercolor Society. Her work has been displayed in many local galleries including earlier this year in Kailua at the "Happiness Gallery". The body of work in this show is in the style of veil painting, described by the artist as "a pure art form originating in Europe. Done as a meditation, without a specific goal in mind, what appears is usually a surprise." (Meghan Bundtzen)

Have something for the Newsletter or Weekly Bulletin?

Have Announcements, Photos, Artwork, Short Poems/Prose, or other pieces (50-100 words) to add to the Newsletter or *Weekly Bulletin*?

Newsletter Copy to Aimee Olivera Sanchez FUCH-Newsletter-Team@googlegroups.com

Weekly Bulletin copy to Katy Launert FUCH-Weekly-Bulletin-Team@googlegroups.com

Deadline Reminder:

For the *Weekly Bulletin*, every Tuesday at Noon;

For the *Church Newsletter*: every Fourth Sunday at Noon. (Katy Launert)

UPCOMING ACTIVITIES:

Play Reading: THE COMMITMENT

Friday | 10/9 | 6 - 9 pm | Fred Harper Room

Contact: Norma Nichols | 595-4047 | norman@hawaii.rr.com

YOU ARE INVITED to join the Play Reading Group on Friday, October 9th, for the reading of an original play with a Social Justice theme. "The Commitment" is an original play based on a true story about a legal judgment of mental illness and the decision for confinement and medication as treatment. A play for three men, two women, and a jury (chorus) of six, recommended for compassionate souls.

The First Unitarian Play Reading Group meets on the second Friday of each month, and this is their first play reading for the new season. Feel free to bring snacks to share! (Norma Nichols)

Maligned Religions at UU Leeward Ohana Service

Saturday | 10/10 | Service at 5:00 pm, our Famous Fabulous Potluck at 6:00 pm |
Island Pacific Academy in Kapolei

Contact: Charlotte Morgan | 343-0137 | lottefish@msn.com

Do some religions have more of a bad reputation than others? Are we predisposed to dislike some religions and not others? Is it ever O.K. to joke about other people's religions? Beth Marshall will discuss these and other ideas especially about those religions we may disregard. For our Story for All Ages, a special guest, Beverly McBride will tell A Native American Fable. Beverly has worked with Native Americans in the North-Central U.S. (Upper Michigan). You do not want to miss this Service. For more information about UU Leeward Ohana or the Services, please contact Charlotte Morgan. (Charlotte Morgan)

Gallery on the Pali New Exhibit

"Musings of a Photographic Eye" Digital Photography by Yahoshua

On display Sunday | 10/11 - 11/5 | T-F, 10:00 am - 6:00 pm & S/S, 2:00 - 6:00 pm

Artists Reception: Friday | 10/16 | 6-8pm

Gallery Hours: T-F, 10 am-6 pm & S/S, 2-6 pm

Born in Rockford, Illinois, a small mid-western city, photographer Yahoshua was raised in Chicago, Illinois. It was there that he received his formal education earning both a B.A. and an M.A. degree. He has been an educator for most of his adult life having taught in the Chicago Public school system and the City College system of Chicago. Later upon moving to Hawaii Yahoshua further his education at the University of Hawaii at Manoa. After receiving a doctorate degree in Political Science, Yahoshua taught at the Chaminade University and worked in the adult addiction field until his retirement. He currently resides on the island of Oahu.

The artist states, "Since my retirement, I've returned to my first love photography. Thanks to the new digital photographic technologies of today, I can now continue my personal mission and bring to the art field pieces that heretofore would have been nearly impossible to achieve."

Come see how his vision of the near impossible have come together in this new body of work on display at the Gallery on the Pali this fall.

Nuuanu Democratic Debate Watch Party

Tuesday | 10/13 | 7:00 - 8:00 pm

Contact: Ron Brasher | rdenesha@gmail.com

Ready for some substantive debate?!?!? Come to First Unitarian on Tuesday, October 13th, 7:00 to 8:00 pm HST to watch the first Democratic Debate on the big screens in the Sanctuary. Coffee, tea and goodies will be available. Contact Ron Brasher for more information. (Charlotte Morgan)

Come To the Party...All The Ghoul Folks Will Be There

Saturday | 10/31 | 6:00 - 10:00 pm | Mililani

Stephanie and Charlotte and Veronica and Dennis are hosting an Adult Halloween Party, on Saturday, October 31st, 6:00 to 10:00 pm, in Mililani. As always, you are all invited. Check out the October newsletter for more information. (Charlotte Morgan)

Book Discussion Group

Wednesday | 10/7 | 7:00 pm | Fred Harper Room

We will discuss ***A Tale for the Time Being***, a novel by Ruth Ozeki. A lunchbox washed ashore on the Pacific coast is found by a writer to contain a journal and letters gathered by a Japanese teenager who, before committing suicide, is determined to write down the story of her great--grandmother, a Buddhist nun.

Wednesday | 11/4 | 7:00 pm | Fred Harper Room

We will discuss ***Deep Down Dark*** by Hector Tobar, in which he recounts both the backgrounds and the experiences of the 33 men trapped in the Chilean San Jose copper-gold mine for 69 days in 2010. (Roger Wickenden)

Opera Night Out

FREE

Preceded by Pot Luck Pupus — be Green bring your own plate, utensils, and drinks. Performances are shown via sub-captioned DVD on a large screen in a large comfortable room with cushioned dining-type chair seating. Also feel free to arrive early and/or stay late to help set up and clean up. Performances are formal / Dress is casual.

Friday | 10/23 | 6:00 - 9:50 pm | First Unitarian Church of Honolulu

Wagner's die ***MEISTERSINGER von Numberg*** act III [Anita]. A song contest to remember . . . come and hear.

Friday | 11/20 | 6:00 - 9:50 pm | First Unitarian Church of Honolulu
Massenet's *Manon* with Natalie Dessay and Rolando Villazón - time 175" [Linda] Manon is an opéra comique in five acts by Jules Massenet to a French libretto by Henri Meilhac and Philippe Gille, based on the 1731 novel L'histoire du chevalier des Grieux et de Manon Lescaut by the Abbé Prévost.

Friday | 12/18 | 6:00 - 9:50 pm | First Unitarian Church of Honolulu
Richard Strauss *Capriccio* San Francisco Opera Orchestra 155" (Norma Nichols)

OPPORTUNITIES:

Our Church Thanksgiving Potluck: Will There Be One This Year?

Contact: Carla | cbm@hawaii.rr.com | 396-1488

The answer is "Yes!" if someone steps forward to take the lead. It's a wonderful, annual event that attracts many current and former church members and friends. The food is always outstanding and the company delightful!

Former lead on this event, Carla Allison, has other commitments on Thanksgiving this year so the opportunity to chair is open. She is, however, available to share "how tos" from T-day Potlucks Past as well as help with communications. With the many helping hands that attend and volunteer, what could be a big job is instead shared by many. Deadline for volunteering is October 15th so an announcement can go into the November newsletter. Contact Carla if you or your group want to have fun and ensure this annual holiday treat takes place this year. (Carla Allison)

Get Your Boldly Growing T-Shirt

Contact: Katie Ackerman | RE@unitariansofhi.org

T-shirts are here! Please contact Katie Ackerman if you'd like to purchase a First Unitarian Church of Honolulu - Boldly Growing Compassion, Justice, and Joy t-shirt. \$15.00 each / 2 for \$20.00.

Thank You, First Unitarian

Our dear Member, Wilma Oksendahl could not attend her Bon voyage Party due to an injury sustained as the result of a fall. The calabash for Wilma on the Cash table at 4th Sunday Lunch yielded \$112.00. Thank you all for being a very generous Congregation.

Our Master Chef, Ron Brasher reports that as of Tuesday, Wilma is confined to her room at Pohai Nani until they find out why she is falling. We are encouraged to send cards to Wilma at Pohai Nani and we all wish her well. (Charlotte Morgan)

You Can Meet UUs Anywhere!!!!

You want to be ready when such an opportunity comes your way. On the credenza in the foyer of our Church is a business card size, informational piece developed by Clement Smith. This card has basic information about our two Campuses: Honolulu and Kapolei.

Pick up a couple to put in your wallet. When you talk to friends about the Church, you can give them the card to remind them when and where we have Services. UUs are everywhere. We just need to point them in the right direction. (Charlotte Morgan)

Are You Ready???

Contact: Meghan Bundtzen | betterwithart@gmail.com

Charlotte Morgan | lottefish@msn.com

Martina Queenth | martinaq@juno.com

Is it time for you to become a Member of this Faith Community? You do not have to be a Member to be inspired and moved by our Sunday Service or to enjoy our amazing Music presentations or to connect with others at our Coffee Hour. Membership, however, means that you are ready to commit to this Beloved Community and to help shape its destiny. If you want to take this step, please speak with one of the Engagement Team (ET) Chairs. (Charlotte Morgan)

Chalice Circles Keep on Growing

Contact: Carla Allison | cbm@hawaii.rr.com | 396-1488

Heather Lemkelde | hlemkelde@gmail.com | 462-7860

Mahalo and congratulations to the Kaka'ako Chalice Circle for "sprouting" the new Kahala group launching in October! It's not easy to leave established friends and branch out to start a new group. Doing so, however, ensures there is always room for new members to be welcomed into the Chalice Circle 'Ohana. Mahalo for your participation and for your commitment to serve others while serving yourself.

If you want to be part of a connected, compassionate and caring community engaging in relevant and meaningful conversations, there is a Chalice Circle waiting to welcome you! We are happy to expand to new areas so if you would like to host a group, let us know. Are you a church member interested in being a Facilitator? Talk to us. Ongoing training and materials are provided.

Chalice Circles are 5-10 people who meet twice a month for two hours to explore preselected topics. Each group is guided by a trained facilitator and members agree to follow a set of guidelines for respectful group interaction. Membership requires commitment to regular attendance twice each month through December 31, 2015.

Chalice Circle Meeting Locations, Dates & Times

Ewa Beach: 1st & 3rd Mondays @ 7:00-9:00 pm

Hawaii Kai: 2nd & 4th Mondays @ 6:30-8:30 pm

Kahala: 2nd & 4th Thursdays @ 6:30-8:30pm

Kailua: 2nd & 4th Saturdays @ 3:00-5:00 pm

Kaka'ako: 2nd & 4th Wednesdays @ 6:30-8:30 pm

Nu'uuanu: 2nd & 4th Tuesdays @ 10:00 am-12:00 pm (Carla Allison)

AmazonSmile Donations

Amazon will donate 0.5% of the price of your eligible AmazonSmile purchases to First Unitarian Church of Honolulu whenever you shop on Amazon. If you are someone who uses Amazon regularly or just once in a while, please go to <http://unitariansofhi.org/amazon> and sign up. The Church will receive a donation whenever you make an order! (Jennifer Kane)

WORSHIP PROGRAM:

Contact: Eleanor Kleiber, Martina Queenth, or Steve Lohse

595-4047 | Worship@unitariansofhi.org

The Worship Program is Looking for You!

DO YOU HAVE IDEAS for Sunday morning guest speakers or worship services? The Worship Team invites you to share your Sunday Suggestions through the above email created just for this purpose, or see Eleanor Kleiber, Martina Queenth, Charlotte Morgan, or Steve Lohse in person. All Sunday Suggestions welcomed for consistently inspiring and compelling Sunday morning experiences!

DO YOU HAVE ROOM in your home for Sunday morning guest speakers? The Board and Worship Team will begin inviting a number of guest ministers to Honolulu for up to three weeks at a time in the near future. Please contact the Worship Team if you have room in your home to host a Sunday guest minister for a few weeks. Fun for you, less costly and more convenient for everybody!

FREE YOUR INNER WORSHIP ASSOCIATE! The Worship Team is looking for a few good Worship Associates, the people who MC Sunday morning services with readings and announcements and such. Have you ever thought that you might like to be that person? Yes, you can! Contact the Worship Team at Worship@unitariansofhi.org or see Eleanor Kleiber, Martina Queenth, Charlotte Morgan, or Steve Lohse in person, and let's talk. (Worship Team)

Worship Team – OCTOBER MEETING

Tuesday | 10/6 | 6:00 - 8:00 pm | Fred Harper Room

Contact: Steve Lohse | 595-4047 | worship@unitariansofhi.org

The Worship Program of the First Unitarian Church of Honolulu provides inspiring and compelling worship experiences that sustain us emotionally and intellectually, inform everything we do as a Church, and enlist members in the cause of our Mission, inspired by our Principles, boldly to grow Compassion, Justice, and Joy. The Worship Team meets on the First Tuesday of every month at 6:00 pm in the Fred Harper Room, all visitors welcomed. Contact worship@unitariansofhi.org or 808-595-4047 or see <http://www.unitariansofhi.org/worship> for more information about the Worship Program at First Unitarian. (Steve Lohse)

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION:

Contact: Katie Ackerman | re@unitariansofhi.org

Registration

Please register your children for Fall Programs now. Some families have already registered; thank you! If you have not, please do so here: <http://www.unitariansofhi.org/forms-re-registration-20152016>

Religious Education Planning Meeting This Week

Sunday | 10/4 | 11:30am | Room 1

Join your friends and relations to shape the future of RE! Topics include: adult RE, holiday service, UU Leeward Group RE youth program, and MORE! RE@unitariansofhi.org.

Bring Out Your Creative Self: Artist's Way Series!

Join us for a 12-week Adult Education series working from the "basic principle that creative expression is the natural direction of life." We will follow *The Artist's Way* (Julia Cameron and Mark Bryan) through a comprehensive twelve-week program to recover your creativity from a variety of blocks, including limiting beliefs, fear, self-sabotage, jealousy, guilt, addictions, and other inhibiting forces, replacing them with artistic confidence and productivity. One weeknight per week, starting in October. Email RE@unitariansofhi.org with your interest. Childcare provided if needed.

Come hang out with RE at Bellows Beach

Oct 9-11

Meet up with other RE families and friends for a Beach Weekend in Waimanalo. Feel free to connect with friends and make plans! Contact Katie if you have questions: RE@unitariansofhi.org

Where: Bellows Beach in Waimanalo, sites 6-15

When: Oct. 9-11

How: Campsites have already been reserved, but contact Katie (re@unitariansofhi.org) if you would like to try to join a registered camping family. Or just come for the day/evening and hang out!

Who: Everybody (sponsored by Religious Education Team)

Bring: Everything you need plus ukuleles and kazoos

Our Whole Lives For 10th - 12th Graders & Their Families

\$100 per family

October 17 - November 22 [contact Katie for specific dates and times]

Using a comprehensive approach, this program helps senior-high youth gain the knowledge, life principles and skills they need to express their sexuality in life-enhancing ways. Includes a parent orientation and 8 sessions. Topics: Sexual Health; About Our Bodies; Taking Care of Our Sexual Selves' Exploring Sexual Development; Gender, Roles and Orientation; Life-spa Sexuality; Becoming a Parent; Intimacy, Masturbation and Lovemaking; Recognizing Unhealthy Relationships, Sexual and Social Issues; Power and Control; Reproductive Rights; Consent; Equality.

The OWL program is values based, inclusive, medically accurate, and age-appropriate. Facilitators have been specially trained to lead this program. Youth meet together with a team of facilitators; parents meet together, also with facilitators, at the same times, discussing the same topics. There will be childcare for younger siblings, as necessary.

There is still time to register; email RE@uniariansofhi.org to receive more information.

Child Dedication?

Do you have a child that you would like to have participate in a Unitarian Universalist Dedication? This is a blessing of the child and family and a dedication by the parents and community to support the child as they grow. Open to children of all ages and usually held on a Sunday morning. If you would like a private Dedication, please let the DLRE know and it can probably be arranged. Express interest for the general Dedication Ceremony by replying to this email with your child's name and age.

RE Adult Opportunities:

Hindu Meditation

Every Sunday, Hindu meditation will be held every Sunday morning from 9:00-9:50 am in the Fred Harper room. Drop in and see what it's all about! For more information, contact Carla (cbm@hawaii.rr.com)

Book Study Group

RE and Social Justice are co-sponsoring a book study/discussion group around *The New Jim Crow*. Meeting will occur 10/4, 10/18, and 11/1. Please contact Lee Curran for more details, dflcurran@hawaii.rr.com.

Recurring Calendar Items:

- 1st Saturday (Oct. 3) -- Vesper's Service, 5:00-7:00 pm, Nancy Schiltdt's home, email RE@unitariansofhi.org for more info
- 1st Sunday -- RE Team Meeting 11:30, Room 1
- 2nd & 4th Saturday -- Young Family Ohana Covenant Group
- 2nd & 4th Sunday -- Young Adult Discussion Group after the Service
- 3rd Sunday -- Young Adult Eat Out or Share In (a meal with YA) after the Service

SOCIAL JUSTICE CORNER:

Contact: Steve Lohse | 595-4047 | sjc@unitariansofhi.org

Social Actions of the Month – October

Your Social Justice Council recommends the following Social Justice Actions for your consideration during the month of October:

(1) “The Commitment”

Friday | 10/ 9 | 6:00 - 9:00 pm | Fred Harper Room

Contact: Norma Nichols | 808-595-4047 | norman@hawaii.rr.com

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(2) Interfaith “Peace Prayer” Gathering

Sunday | 10/26 | 4:00 - 6:00 pm | Gedatsu Church of Hawaii, 6095 Summer St.

Contact: Masago Asai | 808-621-6667 or 808-369-0363 | hcrpinfo@gmail.com

ALL ARE WELCOME to “One Heart – One Mind – In Gratitude,” an offering of prayers for peace from various faith traditions, including a music presentation and hula performance for peace. Ample parking is available, and a light dinner will be served after the ceremony. (Steve Lohse)

October and November Justice Action Themes

Economic and Racial Justice promise engaging Social Action for First Unitarian during October and November. Starting in October, the Social Justice Council co-sponsors a book study of Michelle Alexander’s “The New Jim Crow” on 10/4, 10/18, and 11/1. In November, Paula Cole Jones, founder of ADORE (A Dialogue on Race & Ethnicity), takes the pulpit on 11/15, followed by Kat Brady, local prison reform activist, on 11/22.

On 11/29, the Council’s Economic Justice Action Group (EJAG) hosts our November Social Justice Fifth Sunday, featuring an afternoon Skype session with “Sacred Economics” author Charles Eisenstein. Engage! (Ka’imi Nicholson)

Social Justice Council – OCTOBER MEETING

Tuesday | 10/20 | 6:00 - 8:00 pm | Fred Harper Room

Contact: Steve Lohse | 595-4047 | sjc@unitariansofhi.org

The Social Justice Program of the First Unitarian Church of Honolulu engages our Congregation inwardly and our Community outwardly in responsible and effective social action. Have a social justice

matter on your mind? Bring it to the Social Justice Council for thoughtful consideration, either in person at a Council meeting or in writing.

The Council meets on the Third Tuesday of every month at 6:00 pm in the Fred Harper Room. Contact 808-595-4047 or sjc@unitariansofhi.org or see <http://www.unitariansofhi.org/social-justice> for more information about the Social Justice Ministry of the First Unitarian Church of Honolulu. All visitors welcomed. (Steve Lohse)