

The Weekly Bulletin

October 16/18, 2015

HAPPENING THIS WEEK:

BLACK LIVES MATTER AT UU! Book Discussion and Workshop Continues The New Jim Crow

Sundays | 10/18 and 11/1 | 11:30 am to 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)

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 | 6:00 - 8:00 pm

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.

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)

CHANGES:

Fall Pledge Drive

We are following in the very successful footsteps of organizations like PBS and HPR and are conducting a Fall Pledge Drive starting this Sunday, October 18th at the service. The Board has now tweaked the budget and has a better idea of the deficit and will be asking you to increase your pledge \$150 per person before next June. (Margaret Mann)

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 Third Sunday at Noon. (Katy Launert)

UPCOMING ACTIVITIES:

Get Ready for Spaghetti...

Sunday | 10/25 | After the Service

Contact: Charlotte Morgan | lottefish@msn.com

Chefs Ron & Mark will again provide us with a sumptuous spaghetti Lunch. Come for the Service. Stay for Lunch. All proceeds benefit the Mission of the UU Leeward Ohana. Want more information, please contact Charlotte (Charlotte Morgan)

Calling All Jack & Jill O'Lanterns

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

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

Stephanie and Charlotte and Veronica and Dennis are hosting a Halloween Party, on Saturday, October 31st, 6:00 to 10:00 pm, in Mililani. As always, you are all invited. There will be Charlotte's Famous Chili, games and a costume contest (although costumes are optional). RSVP Charlotte Morgan. (Charlotte Morgan)

Book Discussion Group

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)

Wednesday | 12/2 | 7 pm | Fred Harper Room

We will discuss **Lila** by Marillynne Robinson. In this novel Lila strives to reconcile her painful, hardscrabble past with her husband's gentle Christian worldview. (Roger Wickenden)

It's Scary.... And We Have to Talk About It

Saturday | 11/14 | 5:00 pm Service | 6:00 pm The Famous Fabulous Potluck | Island Pacific Academy | Kapolei | Contact: Charlotte Morgan | lottefish@msn.com

Every family knows how hard it is to talk about end-of-life decisions. At the next Unitarian Universalist Leeward Ohana Service, our speaker, Joel L. Merchant will dialogue with us about Navigating the Journey. Joel is an advocate for dealing with end-of-life issues, especially within families, as well as, a champion for dying with dignity and on our own terms.

Come for the Service stay for the Famous Fabulous Potluck. Want more information, please contact Charlotte. (Charlotte Morgan)

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's *Capriccio* Kiri Te Kanawa 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)

What’s To Love At First Unitarian?!?!

Contact: Meghan Bundtzen | betterwithart@gmail.com

Charlotte Morgan | lottefish@msn.com

Martina Queenth | martinaq@juno.com

Let us count the ways...

The inspiring Services...the soul soothing Music...the enlightening Religious Education....and let us not forget the Coffee.

If you have fallen in love with this Faith Community and want to talk about Membership, 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)

Wilma Came To Church.....

It was wonderful seeing our dear Wilma Oksendahl at Church on last Sunday. Wilma is now in a care home in Waipahu (94-367 Kahuapaa St., Waipahu, 96797) and would welcome cards and letters. If you can visit Wilma, please first call her care provider, Junie at 808-382-5029. Wilma loves visitors. (Charlotte Morgan)

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, 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 are now inviting and scheduling guest ministers for 3-6 weeks at a time for our 2016 Worship year. Please contact the Worship Team if you have room in your home to host a Sunday guest minister for a few weeks next year!

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, or Steve Lohse in person, and let's talk. (Worship Team)

Worship Team – NOVEMBER MEETING

Tuesday | 11/3 | 6:00 - 8:00 pm | Fred Harper Room

Contact: Steve Lohse | 808-595-4047 | 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>

All Hallows Eve!

Saturday | 10/31 | 5:00 - 8:00 pm | First Unitarian Church of Honolulu

LET'S PUT THE ALL HALLOWS BACK IN HALLOWEEN! Join RE families on October 31st 5:00 - 8:00 pm at First Unitarian Church of Honolulu. It will be a night of games, crafts, mischief and mayhem for kids of all ages. Bring a spooky dish to share. Also, bring pictures or mementos of your dearly departed – we will construct a Day of the Dead altar for use by the congregation. Questions or RSVP?

akosanchez@gmail.com

Seeking Electronic Keyboard to Borrow

Looking for a working keyboard. We will take good care of it at our house. See Katie or email re@unitariansofhi.org

Baby Hui?

Would you like to be part of a group of parents with babies or young toddlers? Consider joining our new FUCH Baby Hui! Babies will be with you at all times, so that you can have a stress-free time to meet other parents. Each week will focus on a different topic and the goal is to grow our selves, our children, and our community! Email your interest to RE@unitariansofhi.org

Bring Our 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 October 27th. Email RE@unitariansofhi.org with your interest. Childcare provided if needed.

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 10/18, and 11/1. Please contact Lee Curran for more details, dflcurran@hawaii.rr.com.

Recurring Calendar Items:

1st Saturday (Nov. 7) -- Vesper's Service, 5:00 - 7:00 pm, Nancy Schiltdt's home, email Nancy for more info nschildt707@gmail.com

1st Sunday (Nov. 1) -- 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

Justice Actions of the Month – October

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

(1) "This Changes Everything" by Naomi Klein

Tuesday | 10/20 | 7:30 pm | Kahala Theatres, 4211 Waialae Avenue

Contact: 733-6243 | <https://www.consolidatedtheatres.com/kahala/film/this-changes-everything>

This is the premier screening in Hawaii of Naomi Klein's "This Changes Everything," connecting the carbon in the air with the economic system that put it there. We can seize the existential crisis of climate change to transform our failed economic system into something radically better! (Steve Lohse)

(2) Interfaith "Peace Prayer" Gathering

Sunday | 10/25 | 4:00 - 6:00 pm | Gedatsu Church of Hawaii, 6095 Summer St.

Contact: Masago Asai | 621-6667 or 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. In October, the Social Justice Council cosponsors 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 a Skype Event with "Sacred Economics" author Charles Eisenstein at 12:00 pm. 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)