

## Tuesday Evening Event Descriptions June 29, 8 pm to 11:30 pm EDT



Zoom Links to these events are sent out by email to  
Gathering registrants and also posted on our Sched Website

### *Evening Programs:*

#### **Community Connections**

**8:00pm - 9:30pm Eastern**

For our Tuesday night Evening Program, Friends from across the continent and beyond will gather in online groups around shared topics of interest.

#### **Building Inclusive Meetings** *Caroline Wildflower, facilitator*

We will be looking at widening the welcome in our Meetings for BIPOC (Black, Indigenous, People of Color), LGBTQ (lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, queer), and others who are not numerous in the Meeting, such as young adults and children. We will be sharing stories of success and hope as well as looking at places we need to change in ourselves.

#### **Hybrid Meetings** *Jennifer Higgins-Newman & Neil Fullagar, facilitators*

As meetings begin to reopen, many are having deep discernment sessions around the future of worship, including whether it will include a "hybrid" or "blended" option where some Friends are online and others are in person worshipping at the same time. In this session, we will explore the concept of a hybrid meeting for worship (including defining it!) and consider the ways we might engage our meetings in fruitful discernment around what we want worship to be and how to get there (technologically and otherwise).

#### **Indigenous People's Concerns** *Tom Kunesh, facilitator*

There's new vocabulary being used in describing past, present & future relationships between native people and settler-colonialists. Looking briefly at the lexicon and posing some decolonizing/unsettling queries.

#### **Mental, Physical, Spiritual Wellbeing** *Ane Pomeroy, facilitator*

In this time of transition and for many transformation, we have the opportunity to attend to care of self, community, Spirit and natural world. Self care is relational. Care of self impacts care of community, Spirit and Creation. Energy that tends one area often flows into the other areas. Using our Quaker practices and listening for continuing revelation, we will look at these dimensions of Spirit-Led self care. We will consider how to balance these anew, as we reconnect, re-envision our lives.

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#### **Info Desk** 9:30am - 11:00pm Eastern

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**Quaker Faith and Spirituality** *Hilary Burgin & Claire Hannapel, facilitators*

How do we carry early Friends' original understandings of simplicity forward in the world today? How are simplicity, class, and homemade yogurt connected? Join young adult Friends (staff of Quaker Voluntary Service) for an engaging workshop leaving you with food for thought and tools to bring back to your meetings and churches.

**Racial Justice** *SYB (Bowland) & Sandie Finn, facilitators*

Racial Justice: Racial labelling is a social construct used to mentally, emotionally, politically and economically advantage some and disadvantage others. It is a violent and passive way of dividing the heart and human spirit, creating the experience amongst groups that are marginalized of harm and injury, instead of empowerment. We seek to offer a philosophy of pro-humanism (the source of all our place of origin), loving the self, love of others and accepting our interconnectedness publicly. Goals: to create individual, group and agency courage; to interrupt that which divides our human spirit.

**“Quaker Mash-up” Social Event**

This group will be the “Quaker Mash-up” Social Event. We’ll listen, share, learn, and build deeper connections.

**Evening Worship Sharing - Drop-In**

9:45pm - 10:45pm Eastern

Worship sharing groups of six to eight people will meet each day to reflect on queries. This is the drop-in group - you will be with a different group of Friends each day. Please feel free to come any day you are able! (If you registered to be in the same group each day, that link will be emailed to you on June 27)

**Worship Sharing - Evening Ongoing Groups**

9:45pm - 10:45pm Eastern

People who signed up for ongoing groups will be mailed a link to their group on or about June 27.

**Open Hang Out Time**

9:45pm - 11:30pm Eastern

Open Hang Out rooms scheduled throughout the day will provide registrants a way to meet up with new and old Friends. When you join the Open Hang Out space, a Zoom Host will be present to give Friends a choice of breakout rooms to join or make new breakout rooms. See the Open Hang Out Announcement Board for pre-scheduled breakout room topics (you could request one). You can join the Open Hang Out Space zoom meeting at any point while it's open.

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