

January 2018 Spokane Area Diversity/Cultural Events

National Mentoring Month

Acknowledging mentoring and the positive impact it can have on young lives is the goal of this month-long celebration. First observed in 2002, spearheaded by the Harvard Mentoring Project (<http://www.hsph.harvard.edu/chc/wmy/>) and the MENTOR/National Mentoring Partnership (<http://www.nationalmentoringmonth.org/>). This celebration draws national attention to the need for mentors, as well as how individuals, business, government agencies, schools, faith communities, and nonprofits can work together to ensure healthy and productive lives for young people. Also visit <http://www.mentoring.org/> for more information.

National Slavery and Human Trafficking Prevention Month

Beginning in 2010, by Presidential Proclamation, each January has been designated National Slavery and Human Trafficking Prevention Month. Following the start of National Slavery and Human Trafficking Prevention Month, with the help of non-government organizations, National Human Trafficking Day began and is observed annually on January 11.

Per The Washington Anti-trafficking Response Network (WARN - <http://warn-trafficking.org/>), Human Trafficking is the use of force, fraud, coercion to compel a person into any form of labor against their will. This can occur in an industry. Human Trafficking is also described a modern-day slavery or involuntary servitude. For more information visit the website listed above, and Lutheran Community Services for local information and resources.

“Sacred Encounters: Father De Smet and the Indians of the Rocky Mountain West” Exhibit

The exhibit tells the story of how Jesuit missionaries (Father De Smet) came to the interior Northwest at the invitation of the Coeur d' Alene and Salish tribes and the profound effects this sacred encounter had on both cultures.

Date: Open, no end date at this time

Time: 9:00 am – 5:00 pm daily April through October, 10:00 am - 3:00 pm November through March, (closed holidays)

Location: Old Mission State Park, Cataldo, ID (exit 39)

Cost: \$5.00 park entrance fee, exhibit \$5.00 per person/\$10.00 per family.

For more information visit their website at <http://parksand recreation.idaho.gov/parks/coeur-d-alenes-old-mission>.

“A Catholic Impressionist in the Age of Vatican II”

Traveling exhibit of works created by Roman Catholic artist Karen Laab-Novak (1937-2009)

Dates: October 2, 2017 through January 6, 2018.

Time: Mondays-Saturdays, 10:00 am-4:00 pm

Location: Jundt Art Museum, Gonzaga University

Cost: Free

For more information call 509.313.6843 or email kaiser@gonzaga.edu or website www.gonzaga.edu/jundt.

“They Play”

Thinking outside the gender binary, is a body of work that questions our desire as a society to label and assign gender to almost every aspect of our lives. Gender is fluid and part of a spectrum, by J. Casey Doyle.

Dates: November 8, 2017-January 11, 2018

Time: Monday-Friday, 9:00 am-5:00 pm

Location: [Eastern Washington University Gallery of Art](http://www.ewu.edu/cale/programs/art/gallery), 130 Art Building, Cheney, WA

Cost Free

For more information call 509.359.2494 or visit their website at <http://www.ewu.edu/cale/programs/art/gallery>.

Titanic: The Artifact Exhibition

Visitors will be drawn back in time to April 1912, when the Ship embarked on its maiden voyage. They'll receive a replica boarding pass, assume the role of a passenger and follow a chronological journey through life on Titanic – from the Ship's construction to life on board, the famous sinking, and the modern-day efforts to recover and conserve the wreckage for future generations.

Dates: October 21, 2017 through May 20, 2018.

Time: Mondays-Saturdays, 10:00 am-4:00 pm

Location: [Northwest Museum of Arts and Culture](#), 2316 W. First Ave

Cost: \$18.00 adult, \$15.00 seniors, \$10 children ages 6-17, \$13.00 college students with ID.

For more information visit their website at <https://www.northwestmuseum.org/exhibits/current-exhibits/titanic.cfm> or call 509.456.3931.

Around the World with Michael Moon Bear

Day: Thursday

Time: 10:00 am – 12:00 pm

You will music from around the world. Hosted by Michael Moon Bear on KYRS 92.3 FM or 88.1 FM. Website: <http://www.kyrs.org>.

Detention

Day: Monday

Time: 2:00 pm – 3:00 pm

Variety music/talk show for teens by teens. This show is produced by the students of West Valley City School. Hosted by Kade, KYRS 92.3 FM or 88.1 FM. Website: <http://www.kyrs.org>.

Democracy Now

Day: Monday-Friday

Time: 8:00 am – 9:00 am & 5:00 pm-5:00 pm

A national, daily, independent, award-winning news program hosted by journalists Amy Goodman and Juan Gonzalez. Pioneering the largest public media collaboration in the U.S. Link <https://www.democracynow.org/>. KYRS 92.3 FM or 88.1 FM. Website: <http://www.kyrs.org>.

Dragonflies on Thin Air

Day: Sunday

Time: 3:00 pm – 4:00 pm

One of the few elementary age children's radio shows produced by kids for kids in the country. The program is fun and educational for children and adults, and includes a mix of jokes, music, guests, stories, poetry, trivia and more. Hosted by [Trevor, Zoe, Eva and Selena](#), KYRS 92.3 FM or 88.1 FM. Website: <http://www.kyrs.org>.

Irish Music on Tap

Day: Wednesday

Time: 6:00 pm – 7:00 pm

Music from Ireland, Scotland and England. Hosted by Don and Rick, on KYRS 92.3 FM or 88.1 FM. Website: <http://www.kyrs.org>.

Latin Lounge

Day: Monday

Time: 6:00 pm-8:00 pm

A wide spectrum of Latin music. Hosted by "Corazon" on KYRS 92.3 FM or 88.1 FM. Website: <http://www.kyrs.org>.

Latin Waves**Day: Monday**

Time: 1:00 pm-2:00 pm

Building community across borders, positive social change has only come through communities of interest working together. On KYRS 92.3 FM or 88.1 FM. Website: <http://www.kyrs.org>.

Layali Arabia**Day: Saturday**

Time: 6:00 pm – 8:00 pm

Arabic songs from a multitude of different genres including but not limited to: hip hop, reggae, indie, metal, folk, pop, electronic, oriental jazz and some of the greatest classics to come out of the Arab World. Hosted by Rabab, Rahmi and Moustapha on KYRS 92.3 FM or 88.1 FM. Website: <http://www.kyrs.org>.

The Persian Hour**Day: Saturday**

Time: noon – 1:00 pm

The Persian Hour's consists of a variety of Iranian music from hip hop to traditional, Jazz, blues, rock and roll and the usual. Also, they will share stories, recipes, and interviews. Hosted by Shahrokh, KYRS 92.3 FM or 88.1 FM. Website: <http://www.kyrs.org>.

Queens of Noise**Day: Wednesday**

Time: 8:00 pm-9:00 pm

You will hear best in female vocalist/musicians. Hosted by "Queen of Mean" and "Luscious Duchess", KYRS 92.3 FM or 88.1 FM. Website: <http://www.kyrs.org>.

QueerSounds**Day: Thursday**

Time: 6:00 pm-8:00 pm

QueerSounds is radio show dedicated to playing music by and for LGBTQ people. Music, interviews, community events and forums. Hosted by "bob" and Chris, KYRS FM 92.3 or 88.1 FM. Website: <http://www.kyrs.org>
Join the hosts on Facebook at www.facebook.com/qsounds, or email them at queersounds@kyrs.org.

The Science of Poverty**Day: Saturday**

Time: 4:00 pm-5:00 pm

Explore the topic of poverty with Jesse Quintana, KYRS 92.3 FM or 88.1 FM. Website: <http://www.kyrs.org>.

Girls Brick Build

A fun STEM challenge using LEGO bricks followed by a free-build time. Selected creations displayed in the library. For girls ages 6-12.

Date: Tuesday, January 9, 2018

Time: 4:00 pm

Location: Hillyard Library, 4005 N Cook Street

Cost: Free

For more information visit their website at <http://www.spokanelibrary.org/>

Hispanic Business / Professional Association Monthly Luncheon

Speaker: Dr. Bob Lutz, Spokane Regional Health District

Date: Wednesday, January 10, 2018

Time: 11:30 am – noon. social/networking & lunch, noon-1:00 pm speaker/program

Location: Perkins Restaurant, Division/Olive.

Cost: Around \$10.00--\$15.00 if you order lunch.

For more information regarding the luncheon contact Larry Valadez, HBPA President at hbpaspokane@gmail.com, or visit their website at www.hbpaspokane.net.

Inland Northwest Business Alliance (INBA) monthly luncheon

Program: TBD

Date: Wednesday, January 10, 2018

Time: 11:30 am – noon: social, networking, Noon Lunch, 12:30 pm speaker

Location: TBD

Cost: \$30.00 for Members, \$40.00 for Non-members

For more information regarding the luncheon, visit their website at <http://inbachamber.org>.

Fuse Spokane Club: Martin Luther King Jr.

January's selection is any book written by Martin Luther King Jr., not about him. Books written by King include: "Strength to Love," "Stride Toward Freedom: The Montgomery Story," "The Trumpet of Conscience," "Where Do We Go From Here: Chaos or Community?" and "Why We Can't Wait."

Date: Wednesday, January 10, 2018

Time: 6:00 pm

Location: Spokane Public Library, Level-up Classroom, 906 W Main Ave

Cost: Free

For more information visit their Facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/events/1840359989588921/>

Children's Program Honoring Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Works

Presented by the Kootenai County Task Force on Human Relations

Date: Thursday, January 11, 2018

For more information call 208.765.3932 or visit their website at <http://www.idahohumanrights.org/>.

MLK Community Celebration

Speaker: Happy Watkins, pastor of New Hope Baptist

Date: Sunday, January 14, 2018

Time: 4:00 pm – 6:00 pm

Location: Holy Temple Church of God in Church of God in Christ, 806 W Indiana

Cost: Free and open to the public

For more information call 509.455.8722.

Martin Luther King Jr. Day Celebration 2018: Annual Unity March and Resource Fair

Date: Monday, January 15, 2018

Time: 10:00 am (Unity March), 11:00 am (Resource Fair)

Location: Unity March starts downtown at the Spokane Convention Center, 334 W. Spokane Falls Blvd
Community Resource Fair from 11:00 am-2:00 pm, at the Spokane Convention, Ballrooms ABC.

Cost: Free and open to the public

For more information contact MLK Jr. Family Outreach Center at 509.455.8722 or visit their website at www.mlkspokane.org.

MLK Family Outreach Center

Ribbon cutting at East Central Community Center

Date: Monday, January 15, 2018

Time: noon

Location: East Central Community Center, 500 S Stone

Cost: Free and open to the public

For more information contact MLK Jr. Family Outreach Center at 509.455.8722.

On Allyship: Why We Teach the Movement

Kate Shuster, Ph.D., the president of Shuster Consulting will talk about how the success of the civil rights movement depended, in part, on coalitions and their power. She will review best practices in allyship, making the case for coalition-building in the context of teaching and learning about the history and lessons of the civil rights movement.

Date: Monday, January 15, 2018

Time: 7:00 pm – 9:00 pm

Location: Weyerhaeuser Hall RTT, Whitworth University,

Cost: Free, meeting open to everyone

For more information contact Adam Joshua Fauth at 509.777.3583 or visit their website at

<http://www.whitworth.edu/news/index.aspx>.

NAACP Monthly Membership Meeting

Date: Monday, January 15, 2018

Time: 7:00 pm – 8:30 pm

Location: Community Building, 35 W Main Ave

Cost: Free, meeting open to everyone

For more information contact spkncpbr@gmail.com or visit their website at <http://spokanenaacp.com/>.

Inland NW Blues Music Association Music Showcase

Dates: Saturday, January 20, 2018 (3rd Saturday of each month from October-May)

Time: 7:00 pm

Location: Trent Elementary School, 3303 N Pines Rd

Cost: \$7.00

For more information, visit their website at <http://www.spokanebluegrass.org/>.

CANCELLED - Women's March on Spokane – "Washington Women Move Mountains" - CANCELLED

This year, INSTEAD OF MARCHING, they will hold Washington Women+ Move Mountains Rallies to honor the past, the present, and the future of women and trans/nonbinary people. We are not done being seen and heard.

Date: Sunday, January 21, 2018

Time: 1:00 pm – 7:00 pm

Location: Spokane Convention Center

Cost: Free

For more information, visit their Facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/MarchOnSpokane/>.

13th Annual Spokane Jewish Cultural Film Festival

Films share Jewish life and culture with the community. *The Last Laugh* (NR; adult themes in English – 85 minutes, Thursday), *Past Life* (NR-brief nudity, in English, German, Polish, Hebrew with English subtitles – 109 minutes, Saturday), *A Quiet Heart* (NR; a disturbing image, in English and Hebrew with English subtitles – 92 minutes, Sunday)

Date: Thursday – Sunday, January 25, 27, and 28, 2018

Time: 7:00 pm Thursday & Saturday, 2:00 pm on Sunday-

Location: Hemmington Center, Gonzaga University, 702 E Desmet Ave

Cost: \$10/general, \$28/festival passes

To more information or to purchase tickets, visit <http://sajfs.org/our-programs/sjcff>.

Poetry Reading: Yusef Komunyakaa

Pulitzer Prize Winner, Yusef Komunyakaa's most recent work is titled "Emperor of Water Clocks." He is an English teacher at New York University.

Date: Thursday, January 25, 2018

Time: 7:30 pm

Location: Hemmingston Center Ballroom, Gonzaga University, 702 E Desmet Ave.

Cost: Free and open to the public

To more information visit their website at <http://news.gonzaga.edu/2017/gonzaga-visiting-writers-series-continues-nov-29-wa129-poetry-readings>.

Eastern Washington Legislative Conference – "Framing Faithful Discourse for the Common Good"

Panel on Involvement in Public Policy in These Times, workshops on environment, homelessness, criminal justice education, Doctrine of Discovery and challenging hate.

Date: Saturday, January 27, 2018

Time: 9:00 AM – 3:00 pm

Location: St. Mark's Lutheran Church, 316 E 24th Ave

Cost: Suggested donation of \$20.00

For more information and/or to RSVP, call 509.535.1813 or email info@thefigtree.org.

Robert Burns Night

Enjoy an evening of Scottish culture.

Date: Saturday, January 27, 2018

Time: Doors open at 5:00 pm, program and dinner at 6:00 pm

Location: Mukogawa Fort Wright Institute, 4000 W Randolph Rd

Cost: Adults \$48.00, Child (ages 12 and under) \$30.00 (includes processing fee for adult and child tickets)

For more information, visit their website at <http://www.inlandnwscots.org/calendar.html>.

KPBX Kids Concert – Spokane Youth Symphony

The Spokane Youth Symphony will perform.

Date: Saturday, January 27, 2018

Time: 1:00 – 2:00 p.m.

Location: St John's Cathedral, 12th Ave. and Grand Blvd

Cost: Free

For more information visit their website at <http://spokanepublicradio.org/topic/spr-events>.

SAVE THE DATE**WSU College of Education's 14th Annual International Globalization, Diversity and Education Conference.**

Theme "Power and Cultural Politics in Antiracist and Decolonial Education and Educational Research Intersectionality, Resistance, and Survival"

Dates: February 22-23, 2018

Location: Northern Quest Casino & Resort, 100 North Hayford Road, Airway Heights,

Cost: see their website

For more information, visit their website at <http://education.wsu.edu/globalization/>

9th Annual Peace & Justice Action Conference

Dates: February 23-24, 2018

Location: Unitarian Universalist Church of Spokane, 4340 W. Ft. George Wright Dr.

Cost: see their website, Registration begins on January 15, 2018.

Time: 6:00 pm-8:30 om on Friday, 9:00 am-5:00 pm on Saturday

Cost: TBA - see their website, registration begins on January 15, 2018.

For more information, visit their website <http://pjals.org/2018conference>.

12th Annual Viva Vino & Brew (Scholarship Fundraiser)

Food provided by De Leon's, Mariachi Las Aguilas, silent and live auction to be followed by dancing,

Date: Saturday, February 24, 2018

Location: Shriner's Event Center, 7217 W Westbow Blvd (Geiger Exit off I-90)

Time: 6:00 pm

Cost: \$40.00 pre-sale, \$50,.00 at the door, purchase tickets at <https://bpt.me/3207223>, (Brown Paper Tickets)

For more information email hbpaspokane@gmail.com.

If you know of diversity/cultural events open to the public that you would like added to the monthly calendar, please e-mail Yvonne C. Montoya Zamora at yvonnecmz04@gmail.com with event details. For general events visit www.visitspokane.com or www.spokane7.com/.

January 2018 International/National Cultural Celebrations Calendar

January 1

New Year's Day – International

The first day of the New Year according to the Gregorian calendar is probably the most widely observed event in the world, marked by most nations, religions, and cultures.

St. Basil's Day - Greece

The Greeks call New Year, St. Basil's Day. Traditionally, gifts are exchanged.

Gantan-Sai – Japan, Shinto

Gantan-sai, also referred to as Shogatu, is the Shinto New Year holiday. The faithful visit shrines, often at midnight, praying for renewal of heart, health, and prosperity. During the seven-day holiday, people wear their best clothing and visit the homes of friends and family to express their wishes for the coming year.

Independence Day- Haiti

Haiti gained its independence from France in 1804. Haiti made history by being the first Black Country to gain its independence. According to Haitian custom, whatever happens to someone on New Year's Day is indicative of what will happen during the coming year, thereby motivating people to put on new clothes, visit friends, and exchange gifts in the hope that these efforts will be rewarded.

Independence Day – Sudan

Egypt and Britain signed a treaty guaranteeing Sudanese independence in 1956.

January 2

Berchtold's Day - Switzerland

This day honors Duke Berchtold V, who founded Bern, the capital of Switzerland. He promised to name the city after the first animal he killed on a hunt. The bear (bern in German) then provided the city's name.

- January 4** **Independence Day – Myanmar (Burma)**
Commemorates independence from Great Britain in 1948.
- January 5** **Guru Gobind Singh’s Birthday - Sikh**
He was the 10th and last living Guru of the Sikh faith. He founded the ‘Khalsa’ brotherhood where the initiated adopted the five ‘K’s’: Kangha (wooden comb), Kara (steel bracelets), Kirpan (sword), Kaccha (pair of shorts), and Kesh (long hair).
- January 6** **Christmas - Armenia Christian**
Armenian Christmas is celebrated on January 6th around the world (except in Jerusalem) placing more emphasis on the Epiphany.
- Epiphany - Christian**
In the Western church, this day celebrates the journey of the three Wise Men to Bethlehem to offer gifts to the infant Jesus. In the Eastern Church it is associated with the baptism of Jesus by John the Baptist. On this day as well, the Armenians celebrate Christmas.
- Three Kings’ Day - Christian**
In South America, Latin America and parts of Europe, the end of the Christmas season is a traditional time for gift giving.
- January 7** **Christmas - Christian- Coptic and Eastern Orthodox**
On this day, some Eastern churches celebrate the birth of Jesus according to the Julian calendar, which is currently 13 days behind the Gregorian and Western calendar.
- January 8** **Boy Scout Day – Canada, USA**
William Boyce, a Chicago publisher, founded the Boy Scouts of America in 1910. The purpose is to promote the ability of boys to do things for themselves and others, to train them in Scoutcraft, and to teach them patriotism, courage, self-reliance, and kindred virtues using methods in common use by Boy Scouts.
- Seijin No Hi - Japan**
This day celebrates Coming-of-Age of the youth of Japan who are twenty years old. They wear traditional clothes and visit the shrines where the family announces their adulthood to the spirits. This is a national holiday.
- January 11** **National Human Trafficking Awareness Day**
Beginning in 2010, by Presidential Proclamation, each January has been designated National Slavery and Human Trafficking Prevention Month. Following the start of National Slavery and Human Trafficking Prevention Month, with the help of non-government organizations, National Human Trafficking Day began and is observed annually on January 11.
- National Foundation Day - Japan**
Commemorates the accession to the throne of the Emperor Jimmu Tenno in 660 BCE and the founding of the nation.
- January 13** **Lohri – Hindu - Sikh**
Bonfires are lit to mark the change from the decrease to the increase of the sun.

- January 13** **St. Knut's Day- Finland, Sweden**
King Knut who ruled Sweden from 1080-1086 is honored as a saint for his virtue and generosity. He had declared that Christmas should be celebrated for twenty days, officially ending the season on January 13th. The days between Christmas and Saint Knut's Day are filled with parties for children and adults. After this day, trees are taken down to mark the official close of the season.
- January 14** **New Year - Eastern Orthodox Christian-Coptic & Eastern Orthodox**
The Eastern Orthodox Christians include Bulgarian Orthodox, Georgian Orthodox, Greek Orthodox, Macedonian Orthodox, Russian Orthodox, Romanian Orthodox, and Serbian Orthodox.
- Makar Sankranti - India, Hindu**
The transition of the Sun from Sagitarius to Capricorn during the winter solstice in the northern hemisphere is known as Makar Sankranti. The days gradually lengthen in the northern hemisphere.
- Pongol - India**
A three-day rice harvest festival in South India is celebrated with a cultural evening of song and dance.
- January 15** **Martin Luther King Jr. Day - USA**
This day commemorates the leader of the 'Civil Rights' movement in USA. People of all races and religions have benefited from the sacrifices and accomplishments made by this great man. He was a Nobel Prize winner (Peace Prize 1964) and a prominent advocate of nonviolent protest. He was assassinated on April 4, 1968.
- January 18** **Sultan (17th Month) - Baha'i**
Sunset The first day of the seventeenth Baha'i month. The English translation of Sultan (Arabic) is Sovereignty.
- January 19** **Timkat/Theophany - Christian- Coptic & Eastern Orthodox**
The Eastern Orthodox Church associates' Theophany with the baptism of Jesus by John the Baptist.
- January 20/22** **Martyrs' Memorial Day- Azerbaijan**
Honors the citizens killed by Soviet troops on this day in 1990 as they fought for independence. Also called Black January. As the date falls on a weekend, it will be celebrated on January 22, 2018.
- January 22** **Anniversary Day- Wellington, New Zealand**
Celebrate the founding of the province of Wellington in New Zealand.
- January 24** **Sadeh – Iran, Zoroastrian**
Sadeh in Persian means "hundred" and refers to one hundred days and nights past the end of summer in ancient Persia/Iran. Sadeh is a mid-winter festival where bonfires are lit to honor fire and to defeat the forces of darkness, frost, and cold. People gather and pray, and then they will hold each other's hands, form a circle and dance around the fire.
- January 25** **Robert Burns' Night - Scotland**
Robert Burns Night honors Scotland's national poet, born in 1759. The night is celebrated by the Scots with a sit down 'Burns Supper' and with speeches, poetry and song.

January 26

Australia Day - Australia

Commemorates the anniversary of the first Britain settlement in 1788, which was a penal colony established to help relieve overcrowding in British prisons.

Republic Day - India

Marks India's severed ties from Great Britain in 1950.

Source: The majority of the Diversity/Cultural Celebrations with permission are from Creative Cultural Communications 2018 Diversity Calendar.

Below is a list of various of multicultural resources in the Spokane County area.

MULTICULTURAL RESOURCES

COMMUNITY CENTERS

American Indian Community Center

Executive Director: Lux Devereaux

610 E North Foothills Drive, Spokane, WA 99207

Phone: 509.535.0886

Email: francisd@aiccinc.org

Website: <http://aiccinc.org/>

East Central Community Center

500 S Stone St, Spokane, WA 99202

Phone: 509.625.6699

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/ecspokane.org>

Website: <http://ecspokane.org/>

Northeast Community Center

4001 N Cook, Spokane, WA 99207

Phone: 509.487.1603

Website: <http://necca.myspokane.net/>

Spark Center

1214 W Summit Pkwy, Spokane, WA 99201

Phone: 509.279.0299

Website: <http://spark-central.org/>

Spokane Valley Community Center

Food, clothing emergency services, information etc.

10814 E Broadway Ave / P O Box 141360,

Spokane Valley, WA 99206-5003 / 99214-1360

Phone: 509.927.1153

Website: <http://svpart.org/>

Southwest Community Center

Services Peaceful Valley, Browne's Addition, Latah Valley, Thorpe, Downtown, Cannon Hill, Comstock and West Hills

310 South Spruce St, Spokane, WA 99201 (in the basement of All Saints Lutheran Church across from Coeur d' Park in Browne's Addition)

Phone: 509.624.8634

Website: <http://www.swspokanecc.com/>

West Central Community Center

1603 N Belt, Spokane WA 99205

Phone: 509-326-9540

Website: <http://westcentralcc.org/>

COMMUNITY OUTREACH CENTERS**Cheney Outreach Center**

Wren Pierson Community Center, 616 3rd Street, Cheney, WA

Phone: 509.235.8900

Email: cheneyoutreachcenter@gmail.com

Martin Luther King Jr. Family Outreach Center

845 S Sherman Ave, Spokane, WA 99202

Phone: 509.455.8722

Website: <http://www.mlkspokane.org/>

Our Place Community Ministries (Christian Outreach)

Serves the West Central neighborhood

1509 W College Ave, Spokane, WA 99201

Phone: 509.326.7267

Website: <http://ourplacespokane.org/>

The Native Project

1803 West Maxwell Ave, Spokane, WA 99201

Phone: Clinic: 509.483.7535, Counseling: 509.358.5502, Administration: 509.325.5502

Website: <http://nativeproject.org/>

Spokane Area Jewish Family Services

1322 E 30th Ave, Spokane, WA

Phone: 509.747.7394

Email: director@saifs.org

SENIOR ACTIVITY CENTERS**Airway Heights Community Center**

13120 W 13th Ave, Airway Heights, WA

Phone: 509.244.4845

Website: <http://cawh.org/>

Cheney Senior Center

2219 N 6th Street, Cheney, WA 99004

Phone: 235.6196

Corbin Senior and Activity Center

827 W. Cleveland Ave., Spokane, WA 99205
Phone: 509.327.1584

Hillyard Senior Center

4001 N. Cook St., Spokane, WA 99207
Phone: 509.482.0803

Mid-City Senior Center

1222 W. 2nd Ave, Spokane, WA 99201
Phone: 509.747.3257

North Star Senior Center

8415 N. Wall St., Spokane, WA 99208
Phone: 509.466.6350

Sinto Senior Activity Center

1124 W. Sinto Ave, Spokane, WA 99201
Phone: 509.327.2861

Southside Senior & Community Center

3151 E. 27th Ave, Spokane, WA 99223
Phone: 509.535.0803

Spokane Valley Senior Center

2426 N. Discovery Place, Spokane Valley, WA 99216
Phone: 509.926.1937

GENERAL**Catholic Charities**

12 E 5th Ave, Spokane, WA 99202
Phone: 509.358.4250 / 800.831.1209
Website: <http://www.catholiccharitiesspokane.org>

Central Intelligence Agency (CIA) – The World Factbook

<https://www.cia.gov/library/publications/the-world-factbook/index.html>

Community Minded Enterprises

Provides various resources based on current projects.
25 W Main St Ste 310, Community Bldg/Saranac, Spokane, WA 99201
Phone: 509.242.3405
Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/communityminded>
Email: info@community-minded.org
Website: <http://www.community-minded.org/>

The Fig Tree

1323 S Perry St, Spokane, WA 99202
Phone: 509.535.1813 or 509.535.4112
Website: <http://www.thefigtree.org/>

Future Cougars of Color (FCOC)

Washington State University

FCOC is a recruitment and retention program for high-achieving students from the state of Washington.

Phone: 888.GO-TO-WSU | 888.468.6978

Email: admissions@wsu.edu

Website: <https://admission.wsu.edu/scholarships/washington-residents/future-cougars-of-color-scholarship/>

The Governors Committee on Disability Issues and Employment

Provides statewide advocacy and leadership to empower the disability community to obtain equality of opportunity and maximum independence.

Website: <http://www-stage.esd.wa.gov/newsandinformation/legresources/gcde/index.php>

Interagency Committee of State Employed Women (ICSEW)

ICSEW is comprised of representatives from state agencies and institutions of higher education.

Website: <http://www.icsew.wa.gov/>

Lutheran Community Services

210 W. Sprague Ave, Spokane WA. 99201

Phone: 509.747.8224

Website: <http://www.lcsnw.org/Spokane/index.html>

MESA (Mathematics, Engineering, Science Achievement) in Washington

WA MESA services underrepresented students (middle/high school) to achieve their full potential and contribute in the fields of mathematics, engineering, and science.

University of Washington Office of Minority & Diversity (OMAD)

394 Schmitz Hall, Box 355845

1410 NE Campus Parkway, Seattle. WA 98185

Phone: 206.685.8892

Email: mesaweb@u.washington.edu

Website: <http://depts.washington.edu/mesaweb/>

NW Fair Housing Alliance (NWFHA)

35 W Main Ste 250, Spokane, WA 99201

Phone: 509.325.2665 or 1.800.200.3247 (FAIR) / Fax 509.325.2716

Website: <http://www.nwfairhouse.org/index.php>

NW Mountain Minority Supplier Development Council

Serves Alaska, Idaho, Montana, Oregon, Washington and Wyoming

545 Andover Park West, Ste 109, Tukwila, WA 98188

253.243.6959 / Fax 253.243.6961

Email info@northwestmsdc.org

Website: <http://www.nwmtmsdc.org/>

NW Museum of Arts & Culture (MAC)

2316 W 1st Ave, Spokane, WA 99201

509.456.3931

Website: <http://www.northwestmuseum.org/>

OutSpokane – LGBTQ

PO Box 883, Spokane, WA 99201

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/OutSpokane>

Website: <http://www.outspokane.com/>

Professional Education Standards Board (PESB)

The Board established policies and requirements for the preparation and certification of education professional.

Old Capital Building, 600 Washington Street SE

Olympia, WA 98504-7236

Phone: 360.725.6275

Email: paraboard@k12.wa.us

Websites: <http://www.pesb.wa.gov/>

The Salvation Army Inland Northwest

222 E Indiana Ave

Spokane, WA 99207

Phone: 509.325.6810

Website: <http://www.salvationarmyspokane.org/>

Spokane County United Way

920 N Washington, Spokane, WA 99201

Phone: 509.838.6581

Website: <http://www.unitedwayspokane.org/>

Thin Air Community Radio – KYRS 92.3 FM / 89.9 FM

KYRS is a volunteer powered non-commercial, listener-supported community radio station.

35 W Main Ste 340, Spokane, WA 99201

Various Diverse programing

Website: <http://www.kyrs.org>

Unity in the Community

Meetings are the second Tuesday of the month from 5:30 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. Event takes place the 3rd Saturday in August of each year

Emmanuel Family Life Center, 631 S Richard Allen Ct, Spokane, WA

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/unityinthecommunityspokane/>

Website: <http://www.nwunity.org/>

WA State Office of Minority and Women's Business Enterprises (OMWBE)

1110 Capitol Way SOUTH, Ste 150, Olympia, WA 98501

Phone: 866.208.1064

Website: <http://www.omwbe.wa.gov/>

World Affairs Council of Spokane

International issues relevant to our community and region

Email: info@wacspokane.org

Website: <http://www.wacspokane.org>

GENERAL - YOUTH**Big Brothers Big Sisters of the Inland Northwest**

222 West Mission Avenue, Suite 40, Spokane, WA 99201

Phone: 509.328.8310 or 208.667.0975

Website: www.nwbigs.org

Boys & Girls Clubs of Spokane County

544 E Providence, Spokane, WA 99207 / 509.489.0741

12509 N Market, Mead, WA 99201 / 509.368.9175

Website: <http://www.bgcspokanecounty.org/>

Camp Fire USA Inland Northwest Council

524 N Mullan, Spokane Valley, WA 99206

Phone: 509.747.6191

Website: <http://www.campfireinc.org/>

Chase Youth Commission

The Peyton Bldg, 10 N Post Street, Ste 649, Spokane, WA 99201

Phone: 509.822.7905

Email: chaseyouthspokane@gmail.com

Website: www.chaseyouthspokane.org | <https://my.spokanecity.org/bcc/commissions/chase-youth-commission/>

Odyssey Youth Center

1121 S Perry St, Spokane WA 99202

Phone: 509.325.3637

Website: <http://www.odysseyyouth.org/>

HUMAN RIGHTS, IMMIGRATION, RACE, REFUGEES, AND SOCIAL JUSTICE**Anti-Defamation League**

Pacific NW (Seattle) Office

Phone: 1.206.448.5349

Website: <http://www.adl.org/>

Global Neighborhood

Provide refugees in Spokane with the help needed for them to thrive in their new home.

P.O. Box 10330 Spokane, WA 99209

Phone: 509.868.0001

Email: info@global-neighborhood.org | <http://www.global-neighborhood.org/>

Gonzaga Institute for Hate Studies

The Institute's primary goal is to focus multi-disciplinary academic resources on the causes and effects of hate as well as potential strategies for combating hate.

Gonzaga University

502 E. Boone Ave. AD Box 43, Spokane, WA 99258

Phone: 509.986.9585

Website: <http://guweb2.gonzaga.edu/againsthate/>

Human Rights Commission – City of Spokane

Website: <https://my.spokanecity.org/bcc/commissions/spokane-human-rights-commission/>

Human Rights Education Institute

414 W Fort Grounds Dr. Coeur d' Alene, ID

Phone: 208.292.2359

Website: <http://www.hrei.org/>

NW Immigrant Rights Project

1405 S. Pioneer Way, Ste A, Moses Lake, WA 98837
Phone: 509.765.9712 | Toll free: 866.271.2084
Website: www.nwirp.org

Peace and Justice Action League of Spokane (PJALS)

PJALS engages individuals and local communities to build a just and nonviolent world.
35 W Main, Spokane, WA 99201
Phone: 509.838.7870
Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/peacejusticeactionleague/>
Email: pjals@pjals.org | Website: www.pjals.org

The People's Institute Northwest for Survival and Beyond

9421 18th AVE SW. 2nd floor, Seattle, WA 98126
Phone: 206.938.1023
Website: <https://www.pinwseattle.org/>

Refugee Connections

35 W Main St, Ste. 205, Spokane, WA 99201
Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/RefugeeConnectionsSpokane/>
Website: <http://www.refugeeconnectionsspokane.org/our-projects.html>

Refugee and Immigration Services

Catholic Charities
12 E 5th Ave, Spokane, WA 99202
Phone: 509.358.4250 / 800.831.1209
Website: <http://www.catholiccharitiesspokane.org/refugee-community-living>

Southern Poverty Law Center

SPLC is a non-profit civil rights organization dedicated to fighting hate and bigotry.
400 Washington Ave, Montgomery, AL 36104
Phone: 334.956.8200 / 888.414.7752
Website: <http://www.splcenter.org/>

Spokane County Human Rights Task Force

P O Box 4552, Spokane, WA 99220
Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/pg/spokanecountyhumanrightstaskforce/posts/>
Website: <https://www.spokanecountyhumanrightstaskforce.org/>

Washington Association of Community and Migrant Health Centers (WACMHC)

101 Capitol Way N, Ste 200, Olympia, Washington 98501
Phone: 360.786.9722
Website: www.wacmhc.org

Washington State Human Rights Commission

Check website for the various offices around the state
Phone: 800.233.3247
Website: <http://www.hum.wa.gov/>

World Relief Spokane

1522 N Washington, Ste 204. Spokane, WA 99201
Phone: 509.484.9829
Website: <http://worldreliefspokane.org/>

INTERNATIONAL, MULTICULTURAL, AND DIVERSITY/INCLUSION PROGRAMS

AFS Intercultural Programs

American Field Service
71 West 23rd Street, 17th Floor
New York, NY 10010
Phone: 1.212.807.8686 | Fax: 212.807.1001
Email: info@afs.org | <http://www.afs.org/>

Diversity, Equity and Inclusion

Whitworth University
300 W Hawthorne Rd, Spokane, WA 99251
Phone: 509.777.4596
Website: <https://www.whitworth.edu/cms/administration/diversity-equity-and-inclusion/>

Diversity and Inclusion / Multicultural Center

Eastern WA University
Website: <https://www.ewu.edu/about/administration/diversity-and-inclusion>

Diversity, Inclusion, and Cultural Engagement (DICE)

Gonzaga University
Website: <https://www.gonzaga.edu/student-life/DICE/default.asp>

Global Education

Community Colleges of Spokane (SFCC/SCC)
globalprograms@ccs.spokane.edu | <http://www.ccs.spokane.edu/globaleducation>

Intercultural Communication Institute | Summer Institute for Intercultural Communication (SIIC)

8835 SW Canyon Lane, Ste 238, Portland, OR 97225
Phone 503.297.4622 | Fax 503.297.4695
Email ici@intercultural.org | <http://www.intercultural.org/>

International Multicultural Institute (iMCI)

595 6th Street, Brooklyn, NY 11215
Phone: 718.832.8625
Email: acoscp@imciglobal.org | Website: <http://www.imciglobal.org/>

International/Intercultural Club

Spokane Falls Community College
Phone: 509.533.3338
Website: <http://www.spokanefalls.edu/Resources/StudentLife/Clubs/InternationalIntercultural.aspx>

International Student Program | Center for Global Engagement (CGE)

Gonzaga University
502 E Boone Ave, Spokane, WA 99258
Phone: 800.986.9585
Website: <https://www.gonzaga.edu/ACADEMICS/International-Students/default.asp>

International Student Programs

Mukogawa Fort Wright Institute
4000 W Randolph Rd, Spokane, WA 99224
Phone: 509.328.2971
Website: <http://www.mfwi.edu>

Office of Global Initiatives

Eastern Washington University
103 Hargreaves Hall, Cheney, WA 99004
Phone: 509.359.2331
E-mail: global@ewu.edu | Website: <http://global.ewu.edu>

Office of Intercultural Relations

Gonzaga University
Website: <http://www.gonzaga.edu/academics/diversity/default.asp>

SIETAR (Society for Intercultural Education, Training and Research)

Website: <http://www.sietarusa.org/>

Spokane Community College - Multicultural Services

1810 N Greene St., MS 2081
Building 6, The Lair, Spokane, WA 99217
Phone: 509.533.8875
Website: <http://www.scc.spokane.edu/Resources/Multicultural.aspx>

Spokane Falls Community College - Mosaic | The Center for Culture, Inclusion and Community

3410 Fort George Wright Drive
Student Union Building, Room 131, Spokane, WA 99217
Phone: 509.533.4331
Website: <http://www.spokanefalls.edu/Resources/Multicultural/Home.aspx>

Student Diversity Center

WSU Spokane
Academic Center, 1st floor
Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/SpokaneDiversity/>
Website: <https://spokane.wsu.edu/studentaffairs/student-diversity/>

Unity Multicultural Education Center

Gonzaga University
702 E Desmet, Hemmingson Center, Ste 317, Gonzaga University
Phone: 509.313.5836
Email: umec@gpnzaga.edu | Website: <https://www.gonzaga.edu/Student-Development/DICE/UMEC/>

SOCIETIES, FRATERNAL, SORORITY, SOCIAL, CHAPTERS, ASSOCIATIONS AND ORGANIZATIONS**American-Italian Club Lodge #2172**

P O Box 18766, Spokane. WA 99208
Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/American-Italian-Club-Local-2172-Spokane-10150156620590626/>
Website: <http://www.glnw.org/spokane.htm>

Beta Sigma Phi

Women's Social Sorority with local chapters in Spokane County
1800 W 91st Place, Kansas City. MO 64114
Call 816.444.6800 for a local chapter
Website: www.betasigmaphi.org

Bosnia and Herzegovina Heritage Association of Spokane

Preserves Bosnian language and culture with community events and humanitarian efforts.

Website: <http://bhhaos.com/>

Club de Latinas de Spokane

A nonprofit social group of Latinas. Their mission is to promote culture, involve themselves in civic and community actions, and support the social causes that benefit Latina women and their families.

Email: spokanelatinas@gmail.com | Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/LatinasdeSpokane>

Danish Sisterhood of American Lodge 117

2214 S Herald Rd, Spokane Valley, WA 99206-3323

Contact: Diane Tidwell

Email: d.sweetpea85@yahoo.com | Website: www.danishsisterhood.com

Daughters of Norway, Freya Lodge #50-Spokane

Celebrating their Norwegian Heritage

Website: <http://www.daughtersofnorway.org/lodges/list-of-lodges/freya/>

Daughters of Penelope

Greek Women's Organization

Cell Phone: 509.879.7415

Email: dopgrandgovernor4@gmail.com | Website: <http://www.daughtersofpenelope.org/>

Filipino American Association of the Inland Empire (FAAIE)

Website: <http://www.faaie.org/> | Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/FilAmSpokane>

Friendly Sons of St Patrick

P.O. Box 3143, Spokane, WA 99202

Email: parade@friendlysonsofstpatrick.com | Website: <http://www.friendlysonsofstpatrick.com/>

German American Society of Spokane

The German American Society promotes the preservation of heritage, language and culture of all German speaking people and those of German ancestry.

25 W 3rd Ave. Spokane, WA 99201-3697

Phone: 509.747.0004

Website: www.germanamericansociety-spokane.org

Germans from Russia Heritage Society Inland NW Chapter

The Germans from Russia Heritage Society is a non-profit international organization dedicated to researching family history and preserving the heritage of the Germans from Russia.

PO Box 18182, Spokane, WA 99228-0182

Phone: 509.467.7572

Website: <http://www.grhs.org/chapters/westcoast/inland/index.html> | <http://www.grhs.org/>

Hispanic Business/Professional Association (HBPA)

P O Box 3661, Spokane, WA 99220-3661

Email: hbpaspokane@gmail.com | Website: www.hbpaspokane.net

Inland NW Business Alliance

Affiliate of the national Gay and Lesbian Chamber of Commerce

9 S Washington, Ste 201, Spokane, WA 99201

Phone: 455.3699

Website: <http://inbachamber.org/>

Japan American Citizens League – Spokane Chapter JAACL

P O Box 2772, Spokane, WA 99220

President: Ben Furukawa

Email: info@spokanejacl.org | Website: www.spokanejacl.org

Korean Association of the Spokane Area

P O Box 1316, Spokane, WA 99210

Phone: 509.466.1444 / 509.570.4180

NAACP – National Association for the Advancement of Colored People

25 W Main, Ste 239, Spokane, WA 99201

Phone: 509.209.2425, ext 1141

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/spokane.naACP/>

Website: <http://spokanenaACP.com/>

Pacific Islanders Association

Website: <http://barney.gonzaga.edu/~uahinui/pia/>

P.E.O. International

Women's Philanthropic Educational Organization

3700 Grand Ave, Des Moines, IA 50312

Phone: 515.255.3153

Website: <http://www.peointernational.org/>

Sister Cities Association of Spokane

Nishinomiya, Japan, Limerick, Ireland, Jecheon, South Korea, Jilin, China

Website: <http://www.spokanesistercities.org/>

Sons of Norway – Spokane

Tordenskjold Lodge 2-5

PO Box 18281. Spokane, WA 99228

Phone: 509.366.9211

Website: <http://www.sonsofnorwayspokane.com/>

Soroptimist International

Women's global organization

P O Box 1742, Spokane, WA 99210-1742

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/soroptimistofspokane>

Website: <http://www.soroptimistspokane.org/>

Spokane Folklore Society

P O Box 141, Spokane, WA 9920-0141

Phone: 509.598.9111

Website: <http://www.spokanefolklore.org/>

Spokane Scottish Highland Games

Games usually take place in August

404 N. Havana St., Spokane, WA 99202

Phone: (509) 922-3661

Website: <http://www.spokanehighlandgames.net>

St. Andrew's Society of the Inland NW

P O Box 11312, Spokane, WA 99211

Email: spokanescots@outlook.com

Website: <http://www.inlandnwcots.org/>

South Asia Cultural Association (SACA)

Mrs. Sreedharani Handagopal

E-mail sreedharani@hotmail.com

Spokane Asian-Pacific Islander Coalition (APIC)

Chair: Vang Xiong X. Toyed

Email: visazoo@aol.com

Spokane Chinese Association

Website: <http://www.spokanechinese.org/>

Spokane Coalition of Color

Spokane Asian Pacific Islander Coalition, Hispanic Business/Professional Association of Spokane (HBPA) and National Association of the Advancement of Colored People, Spokane Chapter (NAACP)

Chair: Vang Xiong X. Toyed

Phone: 509.869.5660

Email: visazoo@aol.com |

Facebook: <https://m.facebook.com/Spokane-Coalition-of-Color-113480155995238>

Spokane Hmong Association for Pride and Equality

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/hmongspokane>

Website: <http://www.spokanehmongassociation.com/Community>

Spokane India Community

Shares Indian culture, traditions, and values for the Spokane area residents of Indian heritage.

Website: <https://www.spokaneindiaincommunity.org/>

Women's Club of Spokane

1428 W 9th Ave, Spokane, WA 99204

Phone: 509.838.5667

Website: <http://www.womansclubspokane.org/>

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