

## September 2021 Spokane Area Diversity/Cultural Events

**National Hispanic Heritage Month** – In 1968, Congress first designated the week including September 15 and 16 as National Hispanic Heritage Week to celebrate the cultural, heritage, and contributions of the diverse cultures within the Hispanic community. This week was chosen because of two historical events: independence for Costa Rica, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras, and Nicaragua on September 15, 1821 and Mexico's Independence Day, which was the beginning of the struggle against the Spanish on September 16, 1810. In 1988, Congress expanded the week to a full 31-day period from September 15 to October 15. This year's theme is "**Esperanza: A Celebration of Hispanic Heritage and Hope**". Visit <https://nationalcouncilhepm.org/>.

### **What will you do on 9/11 Day?**

This is the 20-year anniversary of this horrific event. For more information visit their website at <http://www.911day.org/>.

9/11 Day is the international non-profit movement to observe September 11 every year as a day of charitable service and doing good deeds. This observance was created soon after 9/11 to provide a positive way to forever remember and pay tribute to the 9/11 victims, honor those that rose in service in response to the attacks, and remind people of the importance of working more closely together in peace to improve our world. You can watch the film, read their story, access to toolkits and lesson plans, and more.

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### **Democracy Now**

#### **Day: Monday-Friday**

Time: 8:00 am – 9:00 am & 5:00 pm-6:00 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>.

### **Democracy Now! Headlines in Spanish**

#### **Date: Saturday**

Time: 7:00 am – 8:00 am

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### **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. includes Alice, Elenor C., Lily, Rowan, Sicely, Finn, Eleanor M., Sophia, Aleric and Amara. They all go to Spokane Public Montessori elementary school. KYRS 92.3 FM or 88.1 FM. Website: <http://www.kyrs.org>.

### **Irish Music on Tap**

#### **Day: Wednesday**

Time: 6:00 pm – 8:00 pm

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

### **Ke Buena.**

Spanish language station. Oz 95.7.

**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>.**Queens of Noise****Day: Wednesday**

Time: 8:00 pm-10:00 pm

You will hear best in female vocalist/musicians. Hosted by Luscious Duchess, 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>.**The Science of Poverty****Day: Saturday**

Time: 4:00 pm – 5:00 pm

Explores the topic of poverty. Hosted by Jesse Quintana, official Facebook site. KYRS 92.3 FM or 88.1 FM. Website: <http://www.kyrs.org>.**Sounds of Science****Day: Sunday**

Time: 4:00 pm – 5:00 pm

Lively discussion of what’s happening in the world of science, from how it is affecting our lives to the ways we are shaping it. Hosted by Blake, Amaya and Adam. KYRS 92.3 FM or 88.1 FM. Website: <http://www.kyrs.org>,**Welcome Home****Day: Thursday**

Time: 10:00 am – noon

A multi-genre roots based folk show. KYRS 92.3 FM or 88.1 FM. Website: <http://www.kyrs.org>.**Women’s Media Center Live****Day: Wednesday**

Time: noon – 1:00 pm

*WMC Live with Robin Morgan* tackles today’s hottest topics; whether it be sex, politics, art, humor, religion, culture, or news stories that go unreported, each is engaged regularly, insightfully, and intelligently. KYRS 92.3 FM or 88.1 FM. Website: <http://www.kyrs.org>.**Workin’ Woman Blues****Day: Sunday**

Time: 6:00 pm – 8:00 pm

Tunes to help you shake the blues out of your hair with a mix of Funk, R&B, Soul and Blues. Hosted by Jukebox Jennie. KYRS 92.3 FM or 88.1 FM. Website: <http://www.kyrs.org>.

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**Ildikó Kalápac** (Kalápac Studio) has the following showings:

10-paintings and two bronzed at M.A.D. Co. Lab Studios from August 28- December 31 at 3038 East Trent Ave, Ste 213, 509.638.6340. Open Mon-Sat from 11:00 am-3:00 pm, [madcolacollective@gmail.com](mailto:madcolacollective@gmail.com) | <https://www.facebook.com/Madcolabstudios>.

Exhibiting paintings and drawings at Avenue What Gallery September and October. 907 W Boone Ave, 509.838.4999, open Thur-Sat 11:00 am-4:00 pm. <https://www.avenuewestgallery.org>.

Exhibiting paintings at Prohibition Gastropub with a Friday, October 1, 2021, (one month) 6:00 pm opening. 1914 N Monroe St, 509.474.9040, open Mon-Sun, 11:00 am-8:00 pm.

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**The City of Spokane Human Rights Commission (SHRC) and The Spokane County Human Rights Task Force (SCHRTF)** is asking for nominations for 2021 Spokane Human Rights Award Champions. Nominations are due September 8 (extended from August 27). Visit <https://bit.ly/3DwdDyR> for application information and form. Questions, contact [SpokaneHumanRightsAward@gmail.com](mailto:SpokaneHumanRightsAward@gmail.com).

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**Help the YWCA Celebrate Amazing Women in Spokane. YWCA Spokane is asking for 2022 Women of Achievement Award Nominations.**

Recipients of a YWCA Women of Achievement award embody the mission of YWCA Spokane by giving generously of themselves to make Spokane a better place for all citizens to live. They must demonstrate leadership through their professional work or service to the community.

**We encourage submissions in the following categories:**

- Arts & Culture
- Business & Industry
- Carl Maxey Racial & Social Justice
- Community Enhancement
- Education
- Government / Public Service
- Science, Technology, and Environment
- Young Woman of Achievement

The nomination form and details about each category may be found at [ywcaspokane.org/woaform](http://ywcaspokane.org/woaform) and may be completed and submitted online, via email to [woa@ywcaspokane.org](mailto:woa@ywcaspokane.org), or by mail to 930 N Monroe St, Spokane, WA 99201, Attention: Women of Achievement Awards. The deadline for submissions is November 1, 2021.

In alignment with Women's History Month, YWCA's Women of Achievement awards luncheon will be moving to March. Details about the 2022 awards celebration, as well as registration, will be made available at [ywcaspokane.org/woa2022](http://ywcaspokane.org/woa2022) starting in October.

All proceeds raised through the Women of Achievement awards event support YWCA Spokane's critical services for domestic violence victims and their children, including emergency shelter, counseling, legal services, job readiness, child care, and Pre-K programs for low-income children

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### **Hidden Histories: The South Vietnamese Side of the Vietnam War**

The Vietnam War is seen by much of the Western world as being fought between the Americans and North Vietnamese Communists, with the South Vietnamese largely absent. Yet many Vietnamese refugees who came to America after the war served in the South Vietnamese military, and there is little recognition and understanding of their contributions and role in the war. In fact, in American and Vietnamese Communist histories, the South Vietnamese are painted as corrupt, apathetic sidekicks to the Americans.

How did the South Vietnamese military really experience the Vietnam War? Historian Julie Pham draws from interviews she conducted with 40 South Vietnamese military veterans in the United States, and illuminates how people can remember historical events differently.

Julie Pham (she/her) is the CEO of CuriosityBased, a consulting practice focused on fostering curiosity in the workplace. Her family owns *Northwest Vietnamese News*. She published *Their War: The Perspectives of the South Vietnamese Military in the Words of Veteran-Emigres* in 2019. She earned her PhD in history from the University of Cambridge as a Gates Cambridge Scholar. Pham lives in Seattle.

**Date: Thursday, September 2, 2021**

Time: 7:00 pm

Location: On-line

Cost: Free, must register, see below

For more information and to register, <https://www.humanities.org/event/online-hidden-histories-the-south-vietnamese-side-of-the-vietnam-war/>. Sponsored by humanities Washington, <https://www.humanities.org/>. Hosted by Cowlitz County Historical Museum.

### **KYRS Community Radio: Page Turner Show**

Author Pat Segadelli discusses his new book *Gio and Banks: Scarcity, Choices and Trade Offs*.

**Date: Friday, September 3, 2021**

Time: 1:00 pm

Location: Listen on 88.1, 92.3 or at [kyrs.org](http://kyrs.org)

Cost: Free

For more information visit <https://kyrs.org/>.

### **Spokane Symphony Labor Day Weekend Concert**

Music director James Lowe conducts a lineup of light classics, patriotic tunes and music from movies and Broadway. The public is welcome to bring food, blankets, beach towels and low-backed beach-style chairs (28" max. height).

**Date: Saturday, September 4, 2021**

Time: 6:00 pm (runs about 90 minutes with one 20-minute intermission)

Location: Liberty Lake Pavilion Park, 727 N Molter Rd, Liberty Lake

Cost: Free

For more information visit <https://www.spokanesymphony.org/>. No alcohol or glass bottles. No remote-controlled flying devices or drones allowed. Animals are prohibited unless they are service animals.

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**Date: Monday, September 6, 2021**

Time: 6:00 pm (runs about 90 minutes with one 20-minute intermission)

Location: Riverfront Park Pavilion Park, 507 N Howard St

Cost: Free

For more information visit <https://www.spokanesymphony.org/>. No alcohol or glass bottles.

### **Science and Nature Book Club with Teri**

Discussion of *Entangled Life*, by Merlin Sheldrake.

**Date: Tuesday, September 7, 2021**

Time: 6:00 pm

Location: Auntie's Bookstore, 402 W Main Ave

Cost: Free

For more information visit <http://www.auntiesbooks.com/> or call 509.838.0206.

### **Hispanic Business / Professional Association (HBPA) monthly membership meeting**

President Reports and Updates

**Date: Wednesday, September 8, 2021**

Time: 6:00 pm – 7:00 pm

Location: TBD

Cost: Free

For more information, visit their Facebook/website [www.facebook.com/HBPASPOKANE](https://www.facebook.com/HBPASPOKANE) | [www.hbpaofspokane.org](http://www.hbpaofspokane.org) for updates.

### **After the Blast: Mount St. Helens 40 Years Later**

On May 18, 1980, the world watched in awe as Mount St. Helens erupted, killing 57 people and causing hundreds of square miles of destruction. Everyone thought it would take ages for life to return to the mountain, but scientists who visited soon after were stunned to find plants sprouting up through the ash and animals skittering around downed trees.

Ecologists have since spent decades studying life's resilience in the face of seemingly total devastation. Through their work, the eruption of Mount St. Helens has become known as the greatest natural experiment in Pacific Northwest history. In this talk, Eric Wagner takes you on a journey through the blast zone. He explores not just the surprising ways plants and animals survived the eruption, but also the complex roles that people have played, all while showing how fascinating Mount St. Helens still is 40 years after the blast.

Eric Wagner (he/him) is a writer and biologist. He holds a PhD in biology from the University of Washington, where he studied penguins. He is the author of three books, including *After the Blast: The Ecological Recovery of Mount St. Helens*. Wagner lives in Seattle.

**Date: Friday, September 10, 2021**

Time: 2:00 pm

Location: On-line

Cost: Free, must register, see below

For more information and to register, <https://www.humanities.org/event/online-after-the-blast-mount-st-helens-40-years-later/>. Sponsored by humanities Washington, <https://www.humanities.org/>. Hosted by Steilacoom Library.

### **The River That Made Seattle**

Once teeming with bountiful salmon and fertile plains, Seattle's Duwamish River drew both Native peoples and settlers to its shores over centuries for trading, transport, and sustenance. Unfortunately, the very utility of the river was its undoing, as decades of dumping led to the river being declared a Superfund cleanup site.

Much of Washington's history has been told through the perspective of its colonizers, obscuring and mythologizing the changes to these lands that have long been occupied by Native peoples. Through the story of the river, author BJ Cummings explores previously unrecorded Native and immigrant histories, and exposes settler falsehoods about the founding of the state. The river's story is a call to action to align future decisions with values of collaboration, respect, and justice.

BJ Cummings (she/her) founded the Duwamish River Cleanup Coalition and manages community engagement for the University of Washington's Superfund Research Program. She is the author of *The River That Made Seattle: A Natural and Human History of the Duwamish*, and she was awarded the River Network's national River Hero award for her work leading community-based clean up and restoration of the Duwamish River. Cummings lives in Seattle

**Date: Saturday, September 11, 2021**

Time: 10:30 am

Location: On-line

Cost: Free, must register, see below

For more information and to register, <https://www.humanities.org/event/online-the-river-that-made-seattle/>. Sponsored by humanities Washington, <https://www.humanities.org/>. Hosted by Redmond Historical Society.

### **The Ancient Art of Madhubani Painting**

For generations, women of a small region in Northeast India have been using Madhubani painting to tell the stories of their lives. Depicting mythological and social scenes, every painting reflects the belief systems, cultural practices, and social arrangements of a specific era in history. After centuries of being limited to its region of origin, the art form is now being discovered by the urban populace worldwide and is fast emerging as a commercial art form.

Having practiced this style of art since childhood, artist Deepti Agrawal explores the changing forms, trends, and mediums of Madhubani painting over time, while also exploring the hidden tales behind some of its most popular artworks from the early 1900s. Agrawal provides a demo and a work-along session where participants practice the Madhubani style and learn more about its rich heritage.

Deepti Agrawal (she/her) currently runs her signature art label, Deepti Designs, under which she designs and creates unique and experimental art pieces. She also provides art education and has been instrumental in the Indian art movement in Washington State. She serves on the board of the Friends of Asian Art Association and has participated as a master artist in the Center for Washington Cultural Tradition's Heritage Arts Apprenticeship Program since 2018. Agrawal lives in Bothell.

**Date: Saturday, September 11, 2021**

Time: 3:00 pm

Location: On-line

Cost: Free, must register

For more information and to register, <https://www.humanities.org/event/online-the-ancient-art-of-madhubani-painting/>.

Sponsored by humanities Washington, <https://www.humanities.org/>. Hosted by King County Library.

### **Water Lantern Festival**

Featuring food, games and activities, vendors, music and an opportunity to release your own lantern with a personal message upon the water.

**Date: Saturday, September 11, 2021**

Time: 4:30 pm-9:00 pm

Location: Q'emiln Park, 12201 W Parkway Drive, Post Falls, ID

Cost: \$25-\$55

For more information, visit <https://www.waterlanternfestival.com/spokane.php> or call 208.773.0539

### **Financial Management Workshop (Taller de Manejo Financiero)**

Topics to be discussed will be budgeting, understanding and how to apply for a car, student and personal loan with a TIN, understanding collections, and how to establish and keep good credit. Will be in English and Spanish.

**Date: Sunday, September 12, 2021**

Time: 2:30 pm

Location: 500 S Stone St

Cost: Free, must register at <https://forms.gle/H5wSknmPzvCWc9Yr8>.

For more information call 509.557.05.66 (for Spanish) or 509.795.1886 (for English). Sponsored by Black Business & Professional Alliance, HBPA, Gesa Credit Union and Horizon Credit Union.

### **KHQ/WorkSource Virtual Job Fair**

Discover new career opportunities.

**Date: Tuesday, September 14, 2021**

Time: 11:00 am- 2:00 pm

Location: Virtual/on-line

Cost: Free, register at [spokaneworkforce.org/hiring-events/khq-job-fair](https://spokaneworkforce.org/hiring-events/khq-job-fair).

For more information visit <https://spokaneworkforce.org/hiring-events/khq-job-fair/>. Presented by WorkSource and KHQ.

### **Me and White Supremacy Study Group**

Read and discuss *Me and White Supremacy: Combat Racism, Change the World, and Become a Good Ancestor*, by Layla F. Saad. Led by Pastor Geoff.

**Date: Tuesday, September 14, 2021 – October 19, 2021**

Time: noon

Location: Meets via Zoom

Cost: Free

For more information visit <http://www.audubonparkumc.org/> or call 509.325.4541.

### **This is the End: How Movies Prepared Us for the Apocalypse**

Great city streets emptied of people; a population panicked; misinformation in the air. If some of our experiences during the COVID-19 pandemic seemed familiar, it might be because the movies already imagined them. Whether the cause is environmental factors (*The Day After Tomorrow*, *Snowpiercer*, *Contagion*), nuclear disaster (*On the Beach*), or unexplained doomsday (*Midnight Sky*, *Children of Men*), film has explored what it looks like when the “Big One” hits—and how we might react.

In this talk illustrated with clips, Robert Horton looks at the eerie imagery of apocalyptic movies, and how these films foreshadowed our responses during the pandemic: the extremes of divisiveness and community-building, the loneliness of isolation, and the tantalizing possibility of starting over again—but maybe doing it better this time.

Robert Horton (he/him), a member of the National Society of Film Critics, was the longtime film reviewer for the *Seattle Weekly*, *Everett Herald*, and KUOW. He has been a Fulbright specialist, a Smithsonian Journeys speaker, and an instructor at Seattle University and the Architectural Association in London. He now hosts the radio program, *The Music and the Movies*. Horton lives in Vashon.

**Date: Tuesday, September 14, 2021**

Time: 8:00 pm

Location: On-line

Cost: Free, must register

For more information and to register, <https://www.humanities.org/event/online-this-is-the-end-how-movies-prepared-us-for-the-apocalypse-3/>. Sponsored by humanities Washington, <https://www.humanities.org/>. Hosted by Scarecrow Video.

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**Date: Thursday, September 16, 2021**

Time: 7:00 pm

Location: On-line

Cost: Free, must register, see below

For more information and to register, <https://www.humanities.org/event/online-after-the-blast-mount-st-helens-40-years-later-3/>. Sponsored by humanities Washington, <https://www.humanities.org/>. Hosted by Mid-Columbia Libraries.

### **PJALS 2021 Action Conference – No Turning Back: Radical Progress and Collective Liberation**

Featuring panels, virtual workshops and an in-person celebration of the community. Keynote speaker is co-founder of the Race-Class Academy, Ian Haney López.

**Dates: Thursday, Friday & Saturday, September 16-18, 2021**

Time: Thursday 7:00 pm-8:00 pm, Friday 7:00 pm-9:00 pm, and Saturday 9:30 am-4:00 pm

Location: Virtual conference, in-person celebration on Friday evening.

Cost: \$40.00, PJALS member \$30.00. Register at [pjals.org/2021-action-conference](http://pjals.org/2021-action-conference).

For more information <http://pjals.org/pjals-2021-action-conference-no-turning-back-radical-progress-and-collective-liberation/> or call 838.7870.



**KYRS Community Radio: Page Turner Show**

Author and personal trainer Sandy Philbin discusses her book *Whispers of Inspirations for Busy Women*.

**Date: Friday, September 17, 2021**

Time: 1:00 pm

Location: Listen on 88.1, 92.3 or at [kyrs.org](https://kyrs.org)

Cost: Free

For more information visit <https://kyrs.org/>.

**Shakespeare in the Park**

Spokane Shakespeare Society presents *The Complete Works of William Shakespeare (abridged)*.

**Dates: Friday & Saturday, September 17 & 18, 2021**

Time: 6:30 pm

Location: Visit [my.spokanecity.org/riverfrontspokane](https://my.spokanecity.org/riverfrontspokane) for exact location.

Cost: Free and open to the public

For more information, visit <http://www.spokaneriverfrontpark.com/> or call 509.625.6601.

**Laughing Matters: Asian Americans, Comedy, and Inclusion**

When we want to learn about the past, we turn to history books. When we want to learn how the past continues to live within us, we can turn to humor. While everyone finds different things funny, we all have experienced laughter as a signal of who belongs, and who does not. Who laughs, and who is laughed at, matters. For many Asian Americans, everyday laughter carries past laws and cultural practices aimed at excluding people of Asian descent into the present.

Using clips of comedians and cartoons, Professor Michelle Liu explores how Asian Americans have experimented with humor to change patterns of belonging that everyone living in the United States has inherited. Join Liu to better understand the ways laughter can help us connect with each other and share how humor has shaped your understanding of inclusion.

Michelle Liu (she/her) is a professor of English and the associate director of writing programs at the University of Washington. She specializes in writing and exploring ideas about identity, history, emotion, and storytelling. She earned her PhD in American Studies from Yale. Liu lives in Seattle.

**Date: Saturday, September 18, 2021**

Time: 2:00 pm

Location: On-line

Cost: Free, must register, see below

For more information and to register, <https://www.humanities.org/event/online-laughing-matters-asian-americans-comedy-and-inclusion/>. Sponsored by humanities Washington, <https://www.humanities.org/>. Hosted by King County Library System.

**NAACP Monthly Membership Meeting**

**Date: Monday, September 20, 2021**

Time: 7:00 pm – 9:00 pm

Location: Community Building, 35 W Main Ave or community venue, check their Facebook page

Cost: Free, meeting open to everyone

For more information contact [spokanenaacp@gmail.com](mailto:spokanenaacp@gmail.com) or visit their Facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/spokane.naacp/>. Note that this meeting may be virtual, please visit their Facebook for updates.

**The Art of Rebellion: Social Justice and Chicana/Chicano Visual Arts**

How has art been used to mobilize communities and disseminate messages of social justice? Is art just a commodity that is only accessible to the elite? How has the idea of “art for the people” shifted the way we look at art?

In this talk, Chicano artist Jake Prendez traces the history of social justice art, from the rise of Mexican muralism to its influence on American artwork from the civil rights era and the modern era. Explore how the means of production and new technologies made art accessible worldwide, and join Prendez as he deconstructs his own artwork to show how it relates to this greater narrative.

Jake Prende (he/him) is a renowned Chicano artist, and the owner and co-director of the Nepantla Cultural Arts Gallery in Seattle. His work is an amalgamation of his life experiences—a representation of his Chicano background and a reflection of his time living in both Seattle and Los Angeles.

**Date: Tuesday, September 21, 2021**

Time: 6:30 pm

Location: On-line



Cost: Free, must register, see below

For more information and to register, <https://www.humanities.org/event/online-the-art-of-rebellion-social-justice-and-chicana-chicano-visual-arts/>. Sponsored by humanities Washington, <https://www.humanities.org/>. Hosted by Lake Stevens Library.

### **Tell Your Story: The Power of the Personal Essay**

Our life stories are a means for connection—a tender offering in a troubled era. Part reportage and part reflection, personal essays can reveal hidden truths about ourselves, our families, and our societies.

In this interactive and generative writing workshop, Kristen Millares Young will help participants tell their own stories. Available in English and Spanish, each hourlong session will begin with a one-page reading to inspire group discussion, followed by timed prompts that guide individual writing sessions. With plans for a bilingual statewide anthology focused on marginalized voices, Young invites participants to submit what they've written in response to her teaching. By weaving together community narratives, we can craft a vision for our future that includes hope and the capacity for unexpected change.

Kristen Millares Young (she/her) is a prize-winning journalist, essayist, and teacher. Named a *Paris Review* staff pick, her novel *Subduction* was a finalist for Foreword Indies Book of the Year and two International Latino Book Awards. The editor of *Seismic* and a former Prose Writer-in-Residence at Hugo House, Young was the *New York Times* researcher for "Snow Fall," which won a Pulitzer Prize. Young lives in Seattle.

**Date: Tuesday, September 21, 2021**

Time: 7:00 pm

Location: On-line

Cost: Free, must register, see below

For more information and to register, <https://www.humanities.org/event/online-tell-your-story-the-power-of-the-personal-essay-2/>. Sponsored by humanities Washington, <https://www.humanities.org/>. Hosted by Jack Straw Cultural Center.

### **An Appetite for Film: Food in the Movies**

A film can build tension through editing, just like a simmering stew builds flavor through a slow dance between ingredients. Putting food and film together, however, opens movie lovers up to a slew of wonderful experiences and shared memories. Food can help us to identify with characters who bond over meals, explore ideas about identity and belonging, or make a romantic tale more seductive.

Join film historian John Trafton to explore the complex relationship between food and film throughout history, and how this relationship continues to impact our cultural landscape. Take a deep dive into how movies from *The Gold Rush* and *Get Out* to *Parasite* and *Pan's Labyrinth* use food to reveal hidden messages and enhance our experience.

John Trafton (he/him) teaches film and media history at Seattle University and for the Seattle International Film Festival's Education program. His recent work examines visual culture in Southern California from 1870 to 1930 and how Los Angeles became the epicenter of America's motion picture industry. Trafton lives in Seattle

**Date: Tuesday, September 21, 2021**

Time: 8:00 pm

Location: On-line

Cost: Free, must register, see below

For more information and to register, <https://www.humanities.org/event/online-an-appetite-for-film-food-in-the-movies/>. Sponsored by humanities Washington, <https://www.humanities.org/>. Hosted by Scarecrow Video.

### **Washington State Latina Health Symposium**

Presenters: Dr. Elena Anaya with Marca Familia in Mexico, Dr. Jasmin Zavala & Anastasia Newton with SeaMar, and Dr. Rachel Bender-Ignacio with Fred Hutch

**Date: Wednesday, September 22, 2021**

Time: 9:00 am - 12:30 pm

Location: Virtual event

Cost: Free, must register at <https://redcap.Link/LHS2021>.

For more information and to register, <https://www.humanities.org/event/online-an-appetite-for-film-food-in-the-movies/>. Sponsored by Fred Hutch Center for Community Health Promotion and the Office of Community Outreach & Engagement (Fred Hutch/UW Cancer Consortium).

### **Greek Festival**

Grab-and-go orders of baklava, koulourakia, kourambiethes, gyros, loukaniko sausage, loukoumades, and Greek fries. Limited outdoor seating.

**Dates: Thursday, Friday & Saturday, September 23, 24, & 25, 2021**

Location: Holy Trinity Greek Orthodox church, 1703 N Washington St.

Cost: Free and open to the public.

For more information visit <http://www.holytrinityspokane.org/> or call 509.328.9310.

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Cost: Free and open to the public

For more information, visit <http://www.spokaneriverfrontpark.com/> or call 509.625.6601.

### **KYRS Community Radio: Page Turner Show**

Whitworth Professor and author, Kari Nixon discusses her book *“Quarantine Life from Cholera to COVID-19: What Pandemics Teach Us About Parenting, Work, Life and Communities from 1700’s to today.*

**Date: Friday, September 24, 2021**

Time: 1:00 pm

Location: Listen on 88.1, 92.3 or at [kyrs.org](http://kyrs.org)

Cost: Free

For more information visit <https://kyrs.org/>.

### **KPBX Kids’ Concert: Villa Blues & JazzSPS: Every Child Reads Storytime**

This program will take you from classic to jazz with Villa Blues & Jazz. Jazz masters will perform memorable and fun songs that have become jazz standards, and include some educational conversations about songs, instruments, and more. Villa Blues includes Heather Villa, Steve Bauer, Michael Lenke, and Brian Flick.

**Date: Saturday, September 25, 2021**

Time: 1:00 pm

Location: Broadcast on KPBX 91.1

Cost: Free

For more information visit <https://www.spokanepublicradio.org/post/kpbx-kids-concert-villa-blues-jazz-sept-25>.

### **Investments for Beginners Workshop**

Workshop topics: investments, financial planning and mortgage loans. Will be in English and Spanish.

**Date: Sunday, September 26, 2021**

Time: 2:30 pm

Location: 500 S Stone St

Cost: Free, must register at <https://forms.gle/VLHt2AqPeroMCt4B7>.

For more information call 509.795.1886 or [carlmaxeycenter@gmail.com](mailto:carlmaxeycenter@gmail.com). Sponsored by Black Business & Professional Alliance, HBPA, Gesa Credit Union and Horizon Credit Union.

### **Whitworth’s President’s Leadership Forum**

Speaker Madeleine Albright, was the 64th Secretary of State of the United States under President Bill Clinton. She advocated for democracy and human rights, promoted American trade, business, labor and environmental standards abroad. She was awarded the Presidential Medal of Freedom in 2012.

**Date: Wednesday, September 29, 2021**

Time: 7:30 am – 9:00 am

Location: Spokane Convention Center

Cost: \$75.00 individual; &50 corporate table, breakfast included

Tickets available at [whitworth.edu/leadershipforum](http://whitworth.edu/leadershipforum).

### **How Latina/Latino Representation Can Improve Democracy**

Latinas/Latinos, the largest ethno-racial group in Washington State and in the nation, are grossly underrepresented in powerful segments of society, contributing to what some scholars refer to as a “demographic divide.”

While the United States is an increasingly diverse society, this diversity is not reflected in important spheres of influence and power. In just one example, Latinas/Latinos represent just two percent of full-time faculty at degree-granting institutions, yet Latina/Latino students are the fastest growing demographic on college campuses. What needs to be done to increase academic representation?

Drawing from interviews, policy analysis, and personal experience, Professor Maria Chávez investigates the obstacles contributing to this underrepresentation and explores ideas for how to move toward a more inclusive society and a healthier multiracial democracy.

Maria Chávez (she/her) is a professor of political science at Pacific Lutheran University specializing in American government, public policy, and race and politics. As a first-generation college graduate herself, her work centers on the progress and barriers of Latinas/Latinos in the United States. She was awarded the American Political Science Association’s Best Book in Latino Politics twice—first for *Everyday Injustice* (2011), and most recently for *Latino Professionals in America* (2019). Chávez lives in Lacey

**Date: Wednesday, September 29, 2021**

Time: 12:00 pm (noon)

Location: On-line

Cost: Free, must register, see below <https://www.humanities.org/event/online-how-latina-latino-representation-can-improve-democracy-2/>. Sponsored by humanities Washington, <https://www.humanities.org/>. WA State Department of Enterprise Services.

### **Who’s Who in the Latinx Ethnic Community?**

Olga Lucia Herrera discusses how Latinos/Hispanics label themselves and how ethnic labels have changed over time. This program celebrates Hispanic Heritage Month.

**Date: Wednesday, September 29, 2021**

Time: 6:30 pm – 7:30 pm

Location: Virtual

Cost: Free, must register.

For more information and/or to register, visit <https://events.spokanelibrary.org/events>.

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### **Save the Date**

#### ***6<sup>th</sup> Gonzaga International Conference on Hate Studies, Justice and Equity: Challenging Hate and Inspiring Hope***

The Conference on Hate Studies is one of the leading interdisciplinary academic forums on hate, related social problems, and ways to create socially just and inclusive communities. Speakers and panelists include: Kathleen Blee, University of Pittsburgh; Thomas Brudholm, University of Copenhagen, Connie Chung Joe, Asian Americans Advancing Justice, Robert Sapolsky, Stanford university; and Eric Ward, Wester States Center.

**Dates: Thursday-Saturday, November 4-6, 2021**

Location: Virtually

Cost: Conference attendees/presenters before Sept. 30 \$80.00, after Sept.30 \$120. Conference student/living light attendees before Sept. 30-\$20.00, after Sept. 30-\$30.00

For more information on the conference, visit [www.gonzaga.edu/ICOHS](http://www.gonzaga.edu/ICOHS). For more information about the Gonzaga Institute of Hate Studies (GIHS), visit [www.gonzaga.edu/hatestudies](http://www.gonzaga.edu/hatestudies).

If you know of diversity/cultural event open to the public that you would like added to the monthly calendar, please e-mail Yvonne C. Montoya Zamora at [yvonnecmz04@gmail.com](mailto:yvonnecmz04@gmail.com) event details.

For general Spokane events visit [www.visitspokane.com](http://www.visitspokane.com) or <http://www.spokane7.com/>.

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## September 2021 International/National Diversity/Cultural Celebrations

- Sept 1**      **Independence Day – Vietnam**
- Sept 4**      **Paryushana-Parva (Sept 4-11) – Jain**  
Celebrated for eight days, Paryushana-Parva is the holiest time of the year and is marked by fasting and worship of the 23 realized teachers of the Jain faith known as Tirthankaras or Jinas.
- Sept 5**      **International Day of Charity – UN**  
Since 2012, the International Day of Charity is to raise awareness for charity related activities all over the world for individuals, charitable, philanthropic and volunteer organizations.
- Father's Day – Australia, New Zealand**
- Sept 6**      **Labor Day – USA, Canada**  
On June 29, 1894, the U.S. Congress voted Labor Day as a national holiday to honor working people's contribution of labor.
- Defence Day – Pakistan**  
National day in memory of how Pakistan defended itself against the Indian army in the Indo-Pakistan war of 1965.
- Sept 7**      **Rosh Hashanah | New Year (Sept 7-8) – Jewish**  
Begins the previous sundown at 6:00 pm and observed for two days. Literally 'Head of the Year' marks the first and second day of the Jewish New Year and the anniversary of the creation of the world. It ends 10-days later with Yom Kippur. It is celebrated with prayers and religious services.
- Independence Day – Brazil**  
Declaration of independence from Portugal in 1822.
- Sept. 8**      **Izzat – Baha'i**  
The 10<sup>th</sup> month in the Baha'i calendar. "Izzat" means Might.
- International Literacy Day – U.N.**  
A day to focus on worldwide literacy issues. More than 780 million of the world's adults (nearly two-thirds of whom are women) do not know how to read or write, and between 94 and 115 million children do not have access to education.
- Sept 10**      **Ganesh Chaturthi - Hindu**  
It is in honor of one of Hindu's major deity, Ganesh, the elephant-headed god. He is known as the 'remover of all obstacles' and is involved at the beginning of all new undertakings.
- Sept 11**      **Day of Remembrance – USA**  
The effects of the attacks on the World Trade Center and the Pentagon in 2001 impacted Americans and most other nations. It has brought us to focus on the devastation terrorism has caused in the world. We also honor those whose lives were lost that day – including their surviving families.
- Meskerem (New Year) - Ethiopia**  
Coptic Orthodox Christians are found in all of Africa. They include Egypt, Libya, Sudan and Ethiopia. The end of the rainy season is known as the New Year.
- Samvatsari-Jain**  
This day is dedicated to introspection, confession and penance, especially for the Shvetambra sect.

- Sept 11**      **Dashalakshani – Parva – Jain**  
Celebrated by the Digambra sect and lasts 10 days, each day dedicated to a virtue: humility, honesty, purity, forgiveness, truthfulness, self-restraint, asceticism, study, celibacy, and detachment.
- Sept 12**      **Independence Day – Qatar**  
  
**Gahambar Paitishahem Sept 12-16) – Zoroastrian**  
This day celebrates the creation of the Earth.
- Sept 15**      **Hispanic Heritage Month – U.S.**  
Initiated in 1968, as “National Hispanic Heritage Week” but was established in 1988 by Congress and includes the days between September 15 to October 15. HHM begins on September 15 as this day marks the anniversary of independence for five Hispanic countries: Costa Rica, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras and Nicaragua. Mexico achieved independence on September 16 and Chile on September 18. In 1988, Congress expanded the week to a full 31-day period from September 15 through October 15. Latinos from across the nation take a moment to reflect upon their history, customs and culture, as well as the contributions made to the U.S.  
  
**Independence Day – Costa Rica, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras, and Nicaragua**  
Independence from Spain in 1821.
- Sept 16**      **Dia de la Independencia – Mexico**  
Declares independence from Spain on this date in 1820. Celebrations begin 11 p.m. the previous day to honor the time in 1810 when Father Miguel Hidalgo made the call to freedom that began the rebellion.  
  
**Yom Kippur – Jewish**  
The Day of Atonement is the holiest and most solemn of all days in the Jewish year. They believe that once you atone for your mistakes, you can be “at one” with God. Jews do not work and they fast from Sunset to sunset.  
  
**International Day for the Preservation of the Ozone Layer – U.N.**  
Commemorates the date the Montreal Protocol on Substances that depletes the Ozone Layer was signed in 1987.
- Sept. 17**      **Constitution Day Day – U.S.**  
Honors those from other countries who become U.S. citizens each year and also the anniversary of the signing of the U.S. Constitution in 1787.
- Sept 18**      **Oktoberfest – Germany**  
Originally it was meant to be just a simple horse race event but the Bavarian character took over and it became a happy gathering of cheerful beer drinkers. Attracts approximately 7-million visitors each year and lasts 3-weeks.  
  
**Independence Day - Chile**  
Independence from Spain in 1810.
- Sept 19**      **Independence Day – Saint Kitts/Nevis**  
  
**Ananta-Chaturdasi – Jain**  
“Festival of Ten Virtues” is a 10-day fast and meditation for the Jains.
- Sept 20**      **Ksamavani – Jain**  
“Day of universal forgiveness” for wrongs committed by them and to them.

Sept 20	<p><b>Keiro No Hi – Japan</b> Respect of the Aged Day, established as a national holiday in 1966 to express respect for the elders and to recognize and thank them for their contributions to society and celebrate long lives.</p>
	<p><b>Harvest Moon Festival – China, Hong Kong, Taiwan</b> The festival is celebrated with family, reunions, moon gazing and eating of moon cakes.</p>
	<p><b>Chuseok – Korra</b></p> <p><b>Trung Thu - Vietnam</b> On this night, children form a procession and travel through streets with bright lanterns, singing and dancing to the beat of drums.</p>
Sept 21	<p><b>Independence Day – Armenia, Malta</b> Armenia gained independence from the Soviet Union in 1991. Malta gained independence from Britain in 1964.</p>
	<p><b>International Day of Peace – U.N.</b> A day of global ceasefire and nonviolence, and an invitation to all nations and people to honor cessation of hostilities and to otherwise commemorate the day through education and public awareness on issues related to peace.</p> <p><b>Sukkot (Sept 21-2) - Jewish</b></p>
Sept 22	<p><b>Autumn Equinox - International</b></p> <p><b>Chichen Itza Festival - Mexico</b> During the Autumn Equinox, thousands gather at the Mayan Temple of Kukulkan to see the interplay of sun and shadow as it forms the impression of a long-tailed serpent leading down to the stone head of the serpent Kukulkan.</p>
	<p><b>Independence Day – Bulgaria, Mali</b> Bulgaria gained independence from Ottoman rule in 1908. Mali gained independence from France in 1960.</p>
	<p><b>Mabon – Wiccan</b> This day celebrates the fall equinox and the end of the harvest season.</p>
	<p><b>Shuki sorei sai – Japan, Shinto</b> Autumnal Equinox Day. The Japanese honor family ancestry, visiting ancestral graves and having family reunions.</p>
Sept 23	<p><b>Unification Day – Saudi Arabia</b> In 1932, King Abdulaziz proclaimed the unification of the country as a kingdom.</p>
Sept 24	<p><b>Our Lady of Las Mercedes Day – Dominican Republic, Peru</b> In Carhuaz, Peru celebrations are held in honor of the virgin, with traditional processions, bands of musicians, bullfights and fireworks.</p>
	<p><b>Heritage Day – South Africa</b> A recently created holiday in which everyone is encouraged to celebrate their culture and the diversity of their beliefs and traditions.</p>
	<p><b>Republic Day – Trinidad &amp; Tobago</b> Became independent from Britain in 1976.</p>

- Sept 27**      **Mashiyyat (11<sup>th</sup> moon) – Baha’i**  
The first day of the eleventh Baha’i month. The English translation of Mashiyyat (Arabic) is Will.
- Sept 28**      **Fiesta San Miguel - Mexico**  
The festival of the Archangel San Miguel is in honor of the Patron Saint of the city of San Miguel. Cultural, social, artistic and sporting events are held throughout the city, along with bullfights.
- Shemini Atzeret – Jewish**  
On the eight day of Sukkot, special prayers for rain are offered.
- Arba’een (Shia) – Islam – Iran, Iraq**  
Shia Muslim religious observances of the end of a forty-day period of mourning to commemorate the martyrdom of Imam Husain.
- Sept 29**      **Simchat Torah - Jewish**  
Rejoicing in the Torah is the beginning of the synagogue’s annual reading cycle. It begins at previous sundown.
- Sept 30**      **San Geronimo Day – Aboriginal/Native American**  
Named after St. Jerome, an Apache fighter (1829 – 1909), this day is celebrated by the Native Americans in Taos Pueblo, New Mexico.
- World Maritime Day – UN**  
Created to celebrate international maritime industry’s contribution towards the world’s economy in shipping.
- National Day for Truth & Reconciliation – Indigenous, Canada**  
This is the first time honoring this day for the National Day for Truth and Reconciliation is a Canadian day of remembrance observed annually on September 30 to reflect on the tragic history and ongoing legacy of the Indian residential school system of mandatory boarding schools for Indigenous Peoples. Residential schools were operated from the 1870s to the mid-1990s. These schools’ were a network of mandatory boarding schools for Indigenous Peoples funded by the Canadian government’s Department of Indian Affairs and administered by Christian churches. The school system was designed to isolate Indigenous children from the influence of their own native cultures, languages, and religions and "assimilate" them into the dominant, Christian Canadian culture. During the system’s 100-year-long existence, an estimated 150,000 First Nations, Métis, and Inuit children were removed from their homes and held in residential schools across Canada.

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<http://usa.multiculturalcalendar.com/v/home.html>.

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Below are several resources from **Everyday Democracy’s** website. These are just a few on various topics: diversity, racism, , education, community-police relations, immigration, mental health, etc. More can be found at their website at <https://www.everyday-democracy.org/>.

The pressures of an increasingly diverse nation are visible in many of our most complex public issues, such as education, taxes, welfare, and immigration. They also are evident in daily life - whether in open conflict among groups, or in tensions and misperceptions that simmer beneath the surface.

Dialogue to Change programs help people build the trusting relationships necessary for long-term change. People from diverse backgrounds and experiences develop trust, understand each other’s experiences, and work together on solutions.

In addition, we need to face racism head-on in order to have healthy communities and a strong country. Racism and gaps among racial and ethnic groups affect education, housing, health care, the justice system and job opportunities. If we’re going



to make progress in our communities and in our country, people from all backgrounds and views must work together to address racism and inequities.

Dialogue-to-change programs can help people from a variety of racial, ethnic and cultural backgrounds examine the gaps among racial and ethnic groups where they live, explore approaches to creating greater equity, and create lasting change in their community.

*Why addressing racism is important to building a strong democracy:*

- Racism is rooted in our history and embedded in our culture
- Racism is one of the greatest barriers to solving all kinds of public problems
- Because of this, we help communities pay special attention to how *structural* racism and other *structural inequities* affect the problems they want to address

### **Intergenerational Equity Framework**

Intergenerational equity is the practice of treating everyone fairly and justly regardless of age, with special consideration to the structural factors that privilege some age groups over others.

<https://everyday-democracy.org/resources/intergenerational-equity-framework>

### **Ripple Effects Mapping for Evaluating Community Engagement**

Community engagement and *Dialogue to Change* strategies can lead to many positive changes in your community. However, direct impacts can be tough to track. *Ripple Effects Mapping (REM)* allows you, along with local leaders and others in your community, to assess impacts from your *Dialogue to Change* efforts.

<https://www.slideshare.net/everydaydemocracy/ripple-effects-mapping-tip-sheet-for-evaluating-community-engagement>

### **Communities Creating Racial Equity – Ripple Effects**

Communities Creating Racial Equity, an Everyday Democracy initiative launched in 2007 helped us better understand the intersection of civic engagement using the Dialogue to Change process. It also helped us learn along with communities about what it takes to address racial equity. This evaluation report features five case studies in this work.

<https://www.everyday-democracy.org/resources/communities-creating-racial-equity-ripple-effects-dialogues-change>

### **Dialogue to Change Guide for School Districts**

Making sure that all young people have equitable opportunities to do well in school and in life is key to the health of our communities and our whole democracy. This brief guide is designed to help you bring this essential work to your local school district and community.

<https://everyday-democracy.org/resources/dialogue-change-guide-school-districts>

### **Connecting Public Dialogue to Action and Change**

Are you trying to make change in your community? This workbook will help you organize large-scale public dialogue, and it will help you connect the talk to action.

<https://everyday-democracy.org/resources/connecting-public-dialogue-action-and-change>

### **Evaluating Community Engagement (Toolkit)**

Along with the Guide to [Evaluating Community Engagement](#), and [Ripple Effects Mapping Tip Sheet](#), this toolkit provides you with practical tools you can use in your community engagement efforts.

<https://everyday-democracy.org/resources/evaluating-community-engagement-toolkit>

### **7 Key Lessons for Addressing Racism**

Fighting racism goes hand in hand with creating communities where everyone has a voice and a chance to work together. In our 25 years of working with communities to create positive change, here are key lessons we have learned about addressing racism in community initiatives.

<https://everyday-democracy.org/resources/7-key-lessons-addressing-racism>

### **Activity for Incorporating a Racial Equity Lens in Facilitation**

This exercise (download activity from website) is designed to help you have a conversation about how your community's racial dynamics may be impacting your work as dialogue facilitators. It will also help you to think about how to work together as a team more equitably during this phase of the process.

<https://www.everyday-democracy.org/resources/activity-incorporating-racial-equity-lens-facilitation>

### **Activity for Incorporating a Racial Equity Lens in Planning and Organizing**

This exercise (download activity from website) is designed to help you have a conversation about how your community's racial dynamics may be impacting your work as organizers. It will also help you to think about how to work together as a team more equitably during this phase of the process.

<https://www.everyday-democracy.org/resources/activity-incorporating-racial-equity-lens-planning-and-organizing>

### **Activity to Explore the Impact of Skin Color**

The goal of this activity (download activity from website) is to illustrate the different experiences participants may have based on the color of their skin. It will help provoke thinking and dialogue about different experiences and perceptions.

<https://www.everyday-democracy.org/resources/activity-explore-impact-skin-color>

### **Activity to Explore the Impact of Stereotypes**

This activity (download activity from website) will help your group start thinking about how stereotypes affect how you think about each other and work together. This will give you an opportunity to explore how stereotypes affect you and others.

<https://www.everyday-democracy.org/resources/activity-explore-impact-stereotypes>

### **Curriculum: Black Citizenship in the Age of Jim Crow**

There are many people who don't realize that, as a country, we still have work to do to create equal opportunities for all. And many aren't aware that all of us – of every region of the country, of every color and ethnic background – are still dealing with the impact of slavery, Jim Crow, and other policies that have perpetuated unfair advantages based on color. All of us need to deepen our understanding of our full history, so that we can move beyond "us vs. them" to "us." Only as we understand the forces that have shaped our lives can we begin imagine and create a democracy that supports voice and belonging for all.

<https://www.everyday-democracy.org/resources/curriculum-black-citizenship-age-jim-crow>

### **Facilitators' Racial Equity Checklist**

Following each dialogue session, facilitators should take some time to debrief and make sure they are working well together (download checklist from website).

<https://www.everyday-democracy.org/resources/facilitators%E2%80%99-racial-equity-checklist>

### **Facing Racism in Diverse Nation**

A six-session discussion guide (download from website) to help all kinds of people take part in meaningful dialogue to examine gaps among racial and ethnic groups and create institutional and policy change.

<https://www.everyday-democracy.org/resources/facing-racism>

### **Dialogue for Affinity Groups**

A supplemental guide (download guide from website) intended to give people with similar racial or ethnic backgrounds an opportunity to talk with each other about issues of racism in sessions preceding and following the regular diverse dialogue sessions of a community-wide study circle program. These optional discussions are designed to be used with [Facing Racism in a Diverse Nation](#).

<https://www.everyday-democracy.org/resources/dialogue-affinity-groups>

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### **Immigrant Justice is Racial Justice**

Brief, 2-hour "Quick Guide" can help communities address the related issues of immigration and racial justice, by encouraging people to talk about their personal connection to race and immigration, the history of immigration policies in the United States, and the messages we hear about immigrants in the media. At the end of the conversation, participants will think about actions they can take individually and as a community. Download guide from website.

<https://www.everyday-democracy.org/resources/immigrant-justice-racial-justice>

**Selected Events of Structural Oppression and Resistance in American History**

Time line list of events of oppression and resistance in American History from 1501 to 2009. Download pdf from website.

<https://www.everyday-democracy.org/sites/default/files/attachments/Selected%20Events%20of%20Structural%20Oppression%20and%20Resistance.pdf>

**One Nation, Many Beliefs: Talking About Religion in a Diverse Democracy**

The discussion guide (download from website), is designed to strengthen relationships and understanding across religious and philosophical perspectives as a foundation for talking about inter-group tensions and the role of religion in public decision making.

<https://www.everyday-democracy.org/resources/one-nation-many-beliefs-talking-about-religion-diverse-democracy>