

# **Social Justice Events & Opportunities**

*as of Thu Feb 28, 2019*

**Sarah Lawrence College Women's History Conference**  
**“The Struggle Continues: Intersectional Activism**  
**in the Age of Gender-Based Violence and Authoritarian Oppression”**  
**Fri Mar 1 & Sat Mar 2**  
**Sarah Lawrence College, 1 Mead Way, Bronxville**

Recent high profile legal battles in the U.S. have brought attention to the problems of sexual assault and violence against women. These concerns are not isolated to the U.S. Movements in India, Kenya, China, and the UK have amplified the voices of victims of individual and state-sponsored violence. Intersectionality, a term first theorized by feminist activist and legal scholar Kimberlé Crenshaw, was based on the previous work of Black women in organizations such as the Combahee River Collective and the Third World Women's Alliance. It is through Crenshaw's framework that we seek to interrogate global gendered violence, now and in the past. Presented by the Graduate Program in Women's History. Free. Conference registration and information: [sarahlawrence.edu/womens-history/conference](http://sarahlawrence.edu/womens-history/conference)

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**NAMIWalks Westchester Kick-Off Event**  
**Wed Mar 6, 6:00 – 7:30 PM**  
**ArtsWestchester, 31 Mamaroneck Avenue, White Plains**

The Westchester National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI) will be holding its “NAMIWalks” fundraiser on Sat May 18 in Rye, to build awareness and end stigma. The kick-off event is free to anyone who wants to create a NAMIWalks fundraising team. Attendees learn about opportunities to participate, have fun, and give back. The evening includes a performance by Zak Sandler, composer of the musical "Inside My Head" about a young man confronting a mental condition that drives both his creativity and his psychosis. Contact: Marie Considine ([mariec@namiwestchester.org](mailto:mariec@namiwestchester.org)). RSVP: [namiwalks-koe3-6-19.eventbrite.com](http://namiwalks-koe3-6-19.eventbrite.com)

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**Opioid Addiction – Impact on Our Community**  
**Wednesday, March 13, 7:00 – 9:00 PM**  
**The Woman's Club of White Plains, 305 Ridgeway, White Plains**

Join us for this informative and essential panel discussion on the opioid crisis. Attendees will gain valuable insight as to the scope and impact of opioid addiction on our community. Presenters include representatives from White Plains Hospital, St. Vincent's Hospital, White Plains School District, White Plains Youth Bureau, the White Plains Opioid Task Force, and Project REACH. The goal of the forum is to understand the challenges and create opportunities to partner as a community to address this increasing epidemic. Free event.

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**Film Screening: *Colossus***  
**Thu Mar 14, 7:00 PM**  
**Jacob Burns Film Center, 364 Manville Rd, Pleasantville,**

Told through the eyes of 15-year-old Jamil Sunsin, [Colossus](#) offers a rare and timely look into the aftermath of deportation and family separation amid the current backlash against America's immigrants. Q&A with Steven Choi, Executive Director of the New York Immigration Coalition, and the film's subject, Jamil Sunsin, will follow the film. Reception upstairs in the Jane Peck Gallery. Sponsored by Westchester Community Foundation

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**Restorative Practices for Faith Communities Training**  
**Sat Mar 16, 10:00 AM – 4:00 PM**  
**First Unitarian Society of Westchester, Hastings-on-Hudson**

This UUA training for lay leaders, youth, and religious professionals introduces restorative practices to improve our communities' abilities to respond to tension, conflict, hurt, and disagreement. Restorative Practices are grounded in respectful, direct, and honest communication. We especially encourage youth leaders, committees on ministry, and congregation boards to attend. Childcare available. Attendance capped at 40 participants. Contact Amy Kent (akent@uua.org). Register by March 11 at [uua.wufoo.com/forms/zew7bn61r34jdf](http://uua.wufoo.com/forms/zew7bn61r34jdf).

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**2019 Westchester Social Justice Forum**  
**Sun Mar 24, 1:30 PM**  
**SUNY Purchase, Music Building, 735 Anderson Hill Road, Purchase**

Join community organizations in Westchester for a social forum to exchange ideas and information, foster solidarity, and celebrate our work to create a more just and equal society. The day will include an opening plenary with *Democracy Now!* co-host Juan Gonzalez, the Peace Poets, and Soul Fire Farm, workshops on organizing for social and ecological justice, and a culminating cultural celebration. Learn more at [westchestersocialforum.org](http://westchestersocialforum.org). View workshops at [westchestersocialforum.org/workshops](http://westchestersocialforum.org/workshops).

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**Film Screening: *Wasted – the Story of Food Waste*  
Sun Mar 31, 2:00pm,  
Chappaqua Performing Arts Center, 480 Bedford Rd, Chappaqua**

Every year 1.3 billion tons of food is thrown away. *Wasted! The Story of Food Waste* aims to change the way people buy, cook, recycle, and eat food. Through the eyes of chefs like Anthony Bourdain, Dan Barber, Massimo Bottura, and Danny Bowien, audiences will see how the world's most influential chefs make the most of every kind of food, and create a more sustainable food system. Following the movie, Leslie Lampert, proprietor of Ladle of Love and *The Scrappy Chef*, will share her favorite techniques for avoiding food waste. Attendees will also learn about local food scrap recycling programs now available in many Westchester towns. <https://www.facebook.com/events/423017928504570/>  
<https://chappaquapac.org/upcoming-events/screening-wasted-the-story-of-food-waste/>

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**Petition: The Department of Justice must immediately drop all charges against UU Volunteer and respect the right of volunteers to freely practice their faith by caring for migrants on the border.**

The administration is pursuing felony criminal charges against Scott Warren, a volunteer with the "No More Deaths" ministry of the Unitarian Universalist Church of Tucson, which provides water, food, socks, blankets, and emergency first-aid to migrants along the US-Mexico border. Learn more at [theguardian.com/global/2018/jan/26/scott-warren-no-more-death-arrested-migrants-water](http://theguardian.com/global/2018/jan/26/scott-warren-no-more-death-arrested-migrants-water)). Find the petition at [act.faithfulamerica.org/sign/scott\\_warren?referring\\_akid=.558144.6xwLrq&source=taf](http://act.faithfulamerica.org/sign/scott_warren?referring_akid=.558144.6xwLrq&source=taf)

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