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THE ARTS

"Tomorrow - Demain" film screening Friday, April 27 at 7 PM at Yarmouth High School Performing Arts Center, [286 W Elm St.](#) sponsored by student led Global Action Coalition. This award-winning documentary inspires hope for our planet's future by changes being made across the globe in agriculture, education energy and economy. Free. For More info, call: 847-3055.

NON-PROFIT FUNDRAISERS

The 14th Annual **Safe Passage 5K & Fiesta** is happening on Sunday, May 6 at Greely High School in Cumberland. Registration opens at 1:30 pm and the 5K Run/Walk begins at 3:00 pm. There's also a Kids Fun Run and Live Music and free Nacho Bar. \$20/adults, \$8/students, \$45/family. Register at: www.sagepassage.org/5k

Furniture Friends' presents their annual benefit, **Multicultural Music Fest!**, on Thursday, May 3, 6—9 pm at the Portland House of Music. Featuring The Oshima Brothers, Maisha Mustapha & Akiwaku, Intore Patrick, and Tania Lapika. Tickets are \$20 advance/\$25 at the door.

WORKSHOPS & EDUCATIONAL PRESENTATIONS

Make Shift Coffee House is a face-to-face place, in real time, with inspiring civic dialogue. These events include refreshments and are free and open to the public. The following opportunities for dialogue are coming up in April:

***Political Divide** at Rockland Public Library on April 26, 2018, 6:30—8:30 pm, featuring questions like: Do you think people have less tolerance today for people with different views? Do you think we are becoming more politically polarized? Why?

To learn more about these events, visit: <http://makeshiftcoffeehouse.com/>

And Rev. Jennifer notes: "If you've enjoyed our Adult RE discussions this year, you might try these conversation opportunities as well!"

The **New England Region of the UUA** is back from its workshop hiatus to offer the following classes: **Claiming Your Spiritual Leadership** on April 28 in Rhode Island and on May 12 in Nashua, NH, **Legacy Giving** on May 5 in Bangor, ME, and **Cycle of Song: UU Choir Festival** on May 19 in Haverhill, MA. To learn more and register for workshops, visit: <https://www.uua.org/new-england/workshops-webinars>.

The **Northern New England District—UUA** is hosting a Face-to-Face meeting with its Board of Directors to discuss the recommendation of dissolution. April 28, 10 am—12 pm, 169 Pleasant St., Auburn, ME. RSVPs required by April 26 to NNEDADMIN@COMCAST.NET

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The UU Church of Brunswick is hosting Ysaye Barnwell as she leads **Building a Vocal Community Workshop: Singing in the African American Tradition** on Saturday, June 16, from 10 am—4 pm. Ysaye Barnwell will envelop you in the joy of community through the music of the African-American vocal tradition, including calls and chants, spirituals, ring shouts, hymns, gospels, songs of the Civil Rights Movement, and songs of contemporary struggle. She will also introduce you to the values embedded in the music, the role of cultural and spiritual traditions and rituals, ways in which leadership emerges and can be shared, and the nature of cultural response to political struggle. Registration costs: \$50/single, \$75/couple, \$100/family. Registration deadline: June 8. Register at: <https://vsaveworkshop.brownpapertickets.com/>

Southern Maine Agency on Aging presents:

- **Understanding Cognitive Loss: Basics for Family Caregivers**, a two hour class that includes basic information about cognitive changes and dementia and discusses some helpful strategies to communicate with someone with cognitive loss, on Thursday, May 17, 4—6 pm at Yarmouth Town Hall. Pre-register by May 16 by calling 207-396-6541.
 - **Living Well with Chronic Pain**, a weekly workshop on Wednesdays, 10 am—12:30 pm, May 30th—July 11th, no class on July 4th. Call or email for more information or to register: 207-396-6578 or sadams@smaaa.org
 - **Welcome to Medicare**, a seminar that presents Medicare enrollment options in plain and understandable language. May 15, 10 am—12 pm at Yarmouth Town Hall. Pre-registration is required. Call: 207-396-6500.
 - **A Matter of Balance**, a nationally recognized program designed to reduce the fear of falling and encourage physical activity. The workshop is conducted over eight weekly sessions, May 3—June 21, on Thursdays, 1:00—3:00 pm at Yarmouth Town Hall. Pre-registration is required. Call: 207-396-6578.
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EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

Allen Avenue UU Church, Portland, ME is seeking a **Director of Religious Education**. Vibrant mid-sized Unitarian Universalist church in Portland, Maine is looking for a 30 hours/per week Director of Religious Education starting August 15, 2018. Our ideal candidate will be passionate about creating community and growth for parents and families. A primary focus of the position will be training, support and recruitment of volunteer group leaders for our Sunday religious education program. For more information and to apply, please go to the information page on our website: <http://www.a2u2.org/director-of-religious-education-sought/>

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GRANTS & SCHOLARSHIPS

The Allen Avenue UU Church in Portland is pleased to announce the revival of the **Audrey B. Seale Service Program**. The Program was established in 2006 by a generous gift from Audrey B. Seale. The purpose of the program is to enable individuals ages 14 to 24 who are or have been active participants in a high school youth group in a Maine UU congregation to perform a significant community service project, up to one year in duration. Applications must be postmarked no later than April 21, 2018 for consideration for this year's awards. To be emailed a full copy of the information and application, contact Gwen Matthews at gwenatfirstu@gmail.com. If you have questions about the Program, please contact Program committee member Julie Harrison at harrison@maine.rr.com.

SURVEYS

Participants Needed: **Seeking Unitarian Universalist Parents** (includes biological or adoptive parents, legal guardians, foster parents, and step-parents) to participate in a study focused on parent-child communication around sexual health. Parents interested in participating in this study will need to meet the following criteria: (1) Attend a Unitarian Universalist congregation in the United States (2) Have at least one child between 12- and 15-years-old. If you are interested in participating, please go to https://gmucehd.az1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_9nTiaihc2bBbm0B to complete the online survey. If you have any questions or concerns, contact Amanda Gordon, M.S. at agordon8@gmu.edu. The survey should take approximately 30-45 minutes to complete.