



ARLINGTON
STREET CHURCH
Unitarian Universalist

THE WORSHIP COMMITTEE PRESENTS ...

Spiritual Passions, 2009

Creating Sacred Space

April 5, 2009 1pm Hunnewell Chapel

Join Erick DuPree, religious educator as we empower ourselves and learn how to create Sacred Space. Whether it's our own chair in the corner or an entire room, one common thread among all sacred space is that it enhances our ability to commune with a higher power. From this flows an abiding source of strength and a deep feeling of connectedness. Learn how creating sacred space envelops you in mystery, heightens the senses and sparks feelings of peace, comfort, energy, and love. This is a Goddess themed activity drawn from Starhawk and our Unitarian Universalist sources.

Other Announcements

Women's Spirituality Group

Sunday, April 5th, 2009, 1:00 PM the Perkins Room

Join the Women's Spirituality Group as we meet to begin a discussion of *Conversations with God: An Uncommon Dialogue (Book 1)* by Neale Donald Walsch. For this first meeting, please read chapters 1 through 5. For information or to join the email discussion and receive the study guide, contact Susan Thomas at SThomas@ASCBoston.org.

Music At Arlington Street Church

Inside Out Concert: Chamber of Dreams

Sunday, March 29th, 2009, 1:30 PM in the Sanctuary

The *Inside Out* Concert Series returns to Arlington Street Church with a world premiere performance of Boston composer Dalit Warshaw's "Chamber of Dreams!" Artistic Director Eli Epstein is joined by violinist Sharan Leventhal and Arlington Street's own Karl Paulnack on piano. The program will also include the Brahms Horn Trio.

The *Inside Out* concert series is rooted in the belief that classical music can be a tremendous resource for understanding oneself and others. It's food for our minds, hearts and souls. Yet, for most of the American population, classical music is often intangible, mysterious, and undiscovered.

Inside Out builds bridges to audiences by showing that a connection

with music is not so much about knowing (although it's useful to know the historical and cultural context of a piece), it's more about tapping into the emotional essence and universal human experience that's inherent in every work of art, be it music, dance, theatre, film, or visual art. This innovative interdisciplinary approach helps concertgoers access their memories and activate their imaginations so that they can have more moving, meaningful, and personal experiences.

Music for Easter Sunday

The service begins with a magnificent prelude as Arlington Street's own Alistair Kok and Joe DiMarino perform J. S. Bach's *Brandenburg Concerto No. 4, BWV 1049* for solo violin, flute duet and orchestra. They are joined by members of the Longwood Symphony Orchestra, our Artists in Residence. Be sure to come early to hear this masterpiece performed live in our beautiful sanctuary!

The Arlington Street Church Choir sings Stephen Hatfield's *Ka Hia Manu*, a powerfully animated tapestry of sacred texts and chants from Tahiti, Tuamotu, Rapa Nui (aka Easter Island), the Marquesas and the Northern Marianas. *Ka Hia Manu* (Many Birds) celebrates the importance of birds in the folklore and the arts of these island cultures, and the symbolic power of flight, particularly in lands surrounded by the open ocean.

Suggestion Box

The staff and leadership of Arlington Street Church welcome your ideas, comments, and suggestions. If you have a thought to share about what works well or what could be improved, please send a message to Comments@ASCBoston.org or leave a note in the suggestion box outside the Church Office. Your message will be received by the Church's administrative assistant so it can find its way to the appropriate people. Please speak your "truths in love" and include your name and contact information so we can follow-up. Thanks! For emergencies, please see "Our Caring Community" to the right.

Inside Submission Guidelines

Please deliver all Sunday announcements before Tuesday at noon by e-mail to inside@ASCBoston.org. Announcements will not be accepted by telephone. Materials must be legible, signed, and fully composed and may be edited, as space is limited. Please note that we only publish submissions related to Arlington Street events or the wider Unitarian Universalist community.

Scheduling Events at Arlington Street Church

All issues dealing with building usage for both congregational usage and rentals, must be coordinated by Jeffrey Bouchard, facilities manager. Jeffrey is able to help you Monday – Friday, 8:00 AM – 3:00 PM. He can be reached by phone at 617-536-7050 ext. 14 or by e-mail at JBouchard@ASCBoston.org.

Our Caring Community

In the event of a disruption or major transition in the life of an Arlington Street member, please inform the church office. Our staff and ministers, will be in touch to lend support.

Security Note

This is an urban church. Please do not leave your valuables unattended! Also, please be attentive when exiting the church into the alley. When walking in the alley avoid being alone, carry a cell phone, walk in the center of the road, and pay attention!

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NEWS FROM THE SOUL OF SUNDAY

SUNDAY, MARCH 22ND, 2009

Today's Events

Coffee Hour

Immediately following the service in the Parish Hall

Let's gather downstairs for coffee, comestibles, and community! If you're visiting Arlington Street Church, or would like more information about Unitarian Universalism, please visit the Welcome Table. The children are in the Perkins Room, right off the Parish Hall; stop by to see what they have been up to this morning. And there's always something going on at the Social Action Table. All are welcome. Enjoy!

Arlington Street Church Corporation Meeting

Sunday, March 22nd, 2009

Agenda:

- *I. Membership Update
- *II. Election of ASC UUAGA Delegates/Alternates
- *III. Vote on the co-sponsorship of the Declaration of Religious and Faith-Based Support for Massachusetts Legislation, An Act Relative to Gender-Based Discrimination and Hate Crimes as drafted by the Interfaith Coalition for Transgender Equality**
- IV. Finance Report
- V. Prudential Committee Report
- VI. Congregational Conversation (Green Sanctuary)
- VII. Other Business

* Vote required

** For more information and the full text of the declaration, go to the Prudential Committee bulletin board in the Parish Hall

Members to be nominated as delegates to the 2009 General Assembly are:

Heleni Thayre, Linda Evans, Jennifer Martin, David McClain



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Young Adult Luncheon

Every Sunday, 12:15 PM after the service in the Stage Right Room

Join the Arlington Street Church's Young Adult Group (ages 18-35) for lunch after the service every Sunday. Get food at coffee hour, somewhere around Boston, or bring your own food and meet in the Stage Right Room. The Stage Right Room is the first room on your left after going down the stairs at the back of the sanctuary. Meet welcoming and social folks, check in about your week, and enjoy good company.

The Young Adult Group also meets two Fridays per month at 7pm in the Perkins Room for activities, food, and worship. The Perkins Room is downstairs next to the kitchen.

Children's Religious Education

Today, the children of the church school will continue learning about our Unitarian Universalist principles and will also be creating a special gift for the ordination service this afternoon. All children are welcome to join Erick DuPree, religious educator, in the Perkins Room.

Congregational Announcements

Building Your Own Theology

Sunday Evenings 6:00 - 7:30 PM

Beginning March 29th

Ever wanted to explore and define your own personal theology, write your own spiritual autobiography, learn more about Unitarian Universalist history and how it shapes the ways we worship and how we do church? Building Your Own Theology is a time-tested adult religious education course that offers the opportunity to do all of this and more. The course will meet over eight consecutive sessions, from March 29th through May 17th with an additional meeting at which we will share our personal credos with each other and the larger Arlington Street Church community. This course involves weekly reading, writing and journal-keeping. You must enroll in this class in advance in order to receive the reading assignment for the first class. Enrollment is limited to ten people so reserve your spot now. Enrollment deadline is Tuesday, March 24th. Contact Dan Kane at DKane@ASCBoston.org with any questions or to reserve your place in this fascinating course.

Sacred Eros: Discussion Group on Sexuality and Spirituality

Thursday, March 26th, 7:00 PM in the Perkins Room

The focus for this month's meeting will be "labels". Quite often when sexuality is discussed terms like gay, lesbian, straight, bi or transgender are used to describe sexual orientation. Can these terms be too confining, or even misleading? What happens when labels

don't seem to fit? Please come and share your views and join the discussion. Feel free to bring along munchies or a drink to share.

Project Only A Child Annual Fundraiser and Book Discussion

Project Only A Child, the program for Guatemalan street youths founded by Arlington Street Church's own George Leger, is holding its annual fundraiser Saturday March 28 at 7:00 pm at the Waltham Sons of Italy Hall on Cedar Street in Waltham. This is a wonderful opportunity to learn more about the great work George is doing with the young people of Only A Child, funded in part by Jubilee, Arlington Street Church's work in the world. Enjoy a buffet supper and buy raffle tickets to win restaurant gift certificates, handcrafted Guatemalan textiles, and beautifully designed cedar boxes made in Only A Child's carpentry shop.

Tickets to the event are \$25 per person (\$15 seniors and students). Tickets are available at the Social Action table on Sunday mornings, or see any of these Arlington Street Church members and Only A Child Board members: Janice Brunts, Judy Chambliss, Sheila Murphy, or Don Tucker. This year Only A Child is also hosting a book discussion at Arlington Street Church on Sunday afternoon March 29th at 12:30 pm in the Clarke Room, with special guest Francisco Goldman, author of "*The Art of Political Murder: Who Killed the Bishop?*," a riveting book portraying the corruption and violence of the society in which Only A Child operates. For more information about Only A Child, visit the OAC website at onlyachild.org. You may contact George Leger by email at onlyachild@aol.com.

NOLA Book Club

New Orleans, a city rich in culture, was taken to its knees by hurricanes Katrina and Rita. Since the storms, there have been many books written about the struggles and hopeful rebirth of this great city. Please join us in reading *1 Dead in Attic*, by Chris Rose, followed by *Do you know what it means to miss New Orleans?*. The group is scheduled to meet the first four Wednesdays in April from 5:30 pm to 6:30 pm at the church.

Jazz and Service in New Orleans

Mark your calendars for our biannual service trip to New Orleans during the last week of April through the first part of May. Join us for a week of work, jazz, good food, and fellowship in the Pelican State in support of our sisters and brothers at First Church, New Orleans. Arrive early or stay longer and enjoy the delicious food and soulful music of Jazz Fest.

If you cannot attend, please consider a donation to Arlington Street Church's Gulf Relief Fund and help sponsor a fellow congregant's week of service.

Check out the Arlington Street Church website, ASCBoston.org, for service trip specifics, or contact NewOrleans@ASCBoston.org.

Coming Up...

Sunday, March 22nd, 2009

9:30 AM	Choir Warm-Up - Sanctuary
11:00 AM	Sunday Morning Worship - Sanctuary
12:00 PM	Coffee Hour - Parish Hall
12:30 PM	Corporation Meeting - Sanctuary
12:30 PM	Young Adults Lunch - Stage Right Room
1:00 PM	Sunday Connections Group - Perkins Room
3:00 PM	Dan Kane Ordination - Sanctuary, Parish Hall, Hunnewell Chapel, and Frothingham Library

Monday, March 23rd, 2009

7:00 PM	U.U. Book Club - Archives Room
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Tuesday, March 24th, 2009

6:00 PM	Buddha's Belly - Hunnewell Chapel
7:00 PM	Arlington Street Zen Center - Hunnewell Chapel

Wednesday, March 25th, 2009

3:30 PM	Staff Meeting* - Perkins Room
6:00 PM	Kundalini Yoga - Hunnewell Chapel

Thursday, March 26th, 2009

7:00 PM	Choir Rehearsal - Clarke Room
7:00 PM	Sacred Eros - Perkins Room

Friday, March 27th, 2009

5:00 PM	Friday Night Supper Program - Parish Hall and Kitchen
7:00 PM	Young Adult Group - Perkins Room

Saturday, March 28th, 2009

There are no planned congregational events.

Sunday, March 29th, 2009

9:30 AM	Choir Warm-Up - Sanctuary
11:00 AM	Sunday Morning Worship - Sanctuary
12:00 PM	Coffee Hour - Parish Hall
12:00 PM	Only a Child Book Discussion - Clarke Room
12:30 PM	Security Task Force - Archives Room
12:30 PM	Young Adults Lunch - Stage Right Room
1:30 PM	Inside-Out Concert Series - Sanctuary
6:00 PM	Building Your Own Theology - Perkins Room

*Closed meeting

NOTE: This calendar is accurate as of noon the Wednesday before publication and only includes events directly related to the congregation. For complete, up-to-date calendar listings over the coming months, visit www.ASCBoston.org.

Greeters Needed!

Greeters are needed for Sunday mornings. No previous experience needed! Welcome visitors and members alike. It's a great way to meet people! To get more information or to sign up, visit the Welcome Table in the Parish Hall following the service.