

The Future of American Buddhism Conference

Presented by Naropa University and the Frederick P. Lenz Foundation

Schedule:

THURSDAY, JUNE 2, 2022

- 2:00 pm-6:00 pm Conference Registration
- 6:00 pm – 7:00 pm Dinner
- **7:30 pm-9:00 pm Welcome, opening panel, community engagement –Meditation Hall**

FRIDAY, JUNE 3, 2022

- 6:30 am-7:30 am Optional Practice
 - Yoga, in the Auditorium, Dr. Christopher Key Chapple
 - Sitting meditation, Peggy Rowe-Ward, Heritage Room
 - BIPOC sitting meditation, Aarti Tejuja, Appalachian Room
- 7:30 am-8:15 am Breakfast
- 8:30 am-9:00 am Meditation—Meditation Hall
- **9:00 am-10:30 am Panel #1: Tradition & Innovation-** In Meditation Hall
 - Dr. Judith Simmer-Brown, Moderator
 - Rev. Myokei Caine-Barret, Bishop, Nichiren Shu
 - Dr. Alejandro Chaoul, Mind, Body, Spirit Institute
 - Rev. Cristina Moon, Daihonzan Chozen-ji
- 10:30 am-10:45 am Break
- 10:45 am-12:15 **Workshops**
 - *What the Buddha Said about Diversity, Equity and Inclusion* Alicia Tolbert, Appalachian Room
 - *Digital Dharma: Sitting and Learning*, Christopher Key Chapple & Maureen Shannon Chapple, Heritage Room
 - *Monasteries in a Time Between Worlds*, Daniel Thorson & Sophia Karuna Gallagher, Seminar Room
- 12:30 pm-1:30 pm Lunch
- **2:00 pm-3:30 pm Panel #2: Leadership, Power, & Empowerment** – In Meditation Hall
 - Rev. Blayne Higa, Moderator
 - Dr. Larry Ward, The Lotus Institute
 - Dr. Ann Gleig, University of Central Florida
 - Dr. Susan Skjei, Naropa University and Right Use of Power Institute
- 3:30 pm-4:00 pm Tea and Networking – In Dining Hall
- 4:00 pm-5:30 pm **Workshops**
 - *Transformative Justice and Repair*, Aarti Tejuja & Sojourner Zenobia, Appalachian Room
 - *Skillful Words*, Andrea Miller, Heritage Room
 - *Veterans Belonging in our Buddhist Community*, Tammy Cosco, Seminar Room
 - *Open Space Conversations*, Dr. Susan Skjei, Main Hall
- 6:00 pm-7:00 pm Dinner
- **7:30 pm-9:00 pm Panel #3: Dharma for the Environmental Crisis** – In Meditation Hall
 - Phil Ryan, Moderator
 - Dr. Diane Little Eagle (Recording), Interior Wellness Healers and the Lotus Institute
 - Dr. Stephanie Kaza, University of Vermont Emerita
 - Dr. Adam Lobel, GreenFaith
 - Kristin Barker, One Earth Sangha

SATURDAY, JUNE 4, 2022

- 6:30 am-7:30 am Optional Practice
 - Yoga, Dr. Christopher Key Chapple, Auditorium
 - Sitting meditation, Peggy Rowe-Ward, Heritage Room
 - BIPOC sitting meditation, Cristina Moon, Appalachian Room
- 7:30 am-8:15 am Breakfast
- 8:30 am-9:00 am Meditation
- **9:00 am-10:30 am Panel #4: Engaged Buddhism** – In Meditation Hall
 - Andrea Miller, Lion's Roar, Moderator
 - Joshin Byrnes, Bread Loaf Mountain Zen Community
 - Melanie Gin, Code for America
- 10:30 am-10:45 am Break
- 10:45-am-12:15 pm **Workshops**
 - *Opening Pathways for Young People*, Aaron Stryker & Miles Bukiet, Heritage Room
 - *Shared Leadership*, Dr. Renato Almanzor, Seminar Room
- 12:30 pm-1:30 pm Lunch
- **2:00 pm-3:30 pm Panel #5: BIPOC Wisdom & Skillful Means**
 - Dr. Rima Vesely-Flad, Moderator
 - Dawa Tarchin Phillips, International Mindfulness Teachers Association
 - Dr. Pamela Ayo Yetunde, *Lion's Roar Magazine*
 - Chenxing Han, *May We Gather* and author
- 3:30 pm-4:00 pm Tea and networking – In Dining Hall
- 4:00 pm-5:30 pm Workshops
 - *On Our Path*, Jessica Mingus & Gabrielle Prisco, Appalachian Room
 - *Female Leadership and Empowerment*, Chinjandra (Lisa Marshall), Heritage Room
 - *Buddhindigenism*, Ian Sanderson, Seminar Room
 - *Open Space Conversations*, Dr. Susan Skjei, Main Hall
- 6:00 pm-7:00 pm Dinner
- 7:30 pm-9:00 pm Reception in Dining Hall, Music Performance in Meditation Hall, Fire pit

SUNDAY, JUNE 5, 2022

- 6:30 am-7:30 am Optional Practice
 - Yoga, Auditorium
 - Sitting meditation, Peggy Rowe-Ward, Heritage Room
 - BIPOC sitting meditation, Appalachian Room
- 7:30 am-8:15 am Breakfast
- **8:30 am-10:00 am Panel #6: Digital Dharma & Virtual Sangha** – In Meditation Hall
 - Michael Mui Lewis, Moderator
 - Devon Matsumoto, Co-Founder of Young Buddhist Editorial
 - Dr. Nikki Mirghafori, Spirit Rock and Artificial Intelligence Scientist
 - Jeff Richardson, Rama Meditation Society and Technologist
 - Vince Fakhoury Horn, Founder, Buddhist Geeks
- 10:00 am-10:15 am Break
- 10:15-11:30 Open Space Conversations—Dr. Susan Skjei, Meditation Hall
- 10:15 am-11:15 pm **Grantmaking Panel**—Appalachian Room
 - Dr. Judith Simmer-Brown, Moderator
 - Jeremy Lowry, Hemera Foundation
 - Sohrob Nabatian & Hilary Hart, Kalliopeia Foundation
 - Norman Oberstein & Liz Lewinson, Frederick P. Lenz Foundation for American Buddhism
 - Larry Yang, Kataly Foundation
- **11:30 am-12:30 am Closing and Ceremony, calligrapher Barbara Bash, Meditation Hall**

