

STOP RACISM

Whites for Racial Equity

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On **July 9**, beginning at 7pm, the Hive Live! presents an evening of poetry with **C.S. Gismombe Gomez** and **Nancy Miller** at Bookshop Santa Cruz 1520 Pacific Avenue, Santa Cruz.

Gismombe teaches at the University of California's Berkeley campus, where he is the Robert Haas Chair in English. His prose and poetry books include *Negro Mountain*, *Prairie Style*, *Ohio Railroads*.

Gomez's first full-length collection, *Inconsolable Objects*, is just out from YesYes Books. She is the author of the chapbook, *Punishment* (Rattle chapbook series).

She co-founded with Ellen Bass an organization that provides writing workshops to incarcerated women and men and has taught poetry in Salinas Valley State Prison, the Santa Cruz County Jails, and Juvenile Hall.

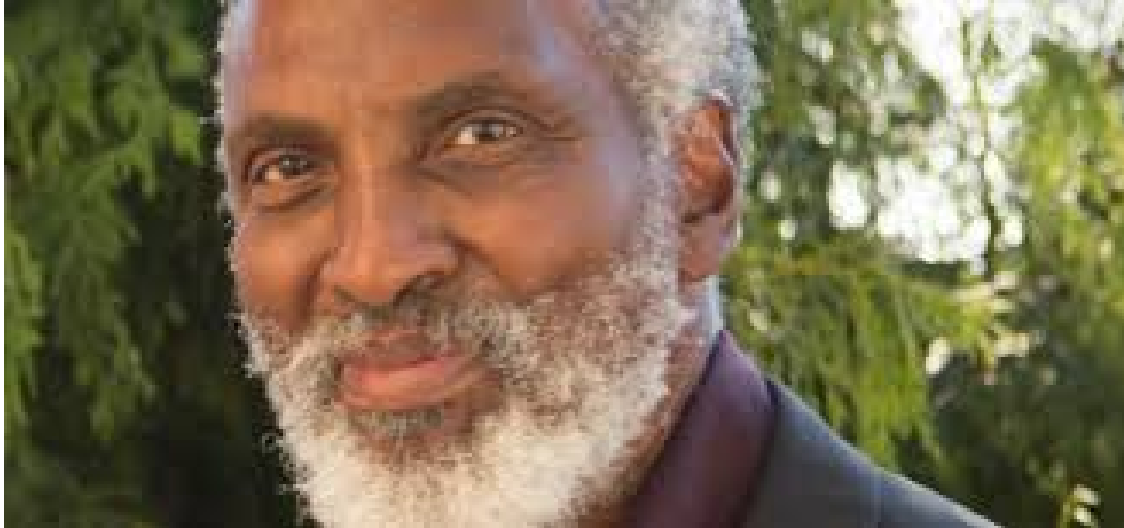


On Wed, **July 10** from 7-8:30 pm the Capitola Library will host ***You Will Not Replace Us***, a documentary drama addressing the shared tribulations and historical unity between Black and Jewish Americans. Join Directors and Co-Stars Josh Greene and Luke Harris, along with Cinematographer Jack Lattin and Producer Sydney Kaster for a screening and discussion moderated by UCSC Professor Bruce Thompson.

As the film confronts the complex relationship between Black and Jewish Americans and the common struggle to fight hate, the film is titled *You Will Not Replace Us*, in reference to the popular white supremacist replacement theory rebuked in the film. By bringing together Black and Jewish interviewees, the film sends a clear message: that marginalized communities will not be replaced by bigotry and ignorance.

All are invited to this conversation about the rich history shared by Black and Jewish communities in the United States. Often times, due to replacement theory, these two communities have been pinned against each other and it is our hope that this documentary short serves as a jumping off point for conversations about the histories of and unity between both communities.

This event is co-sponsored by Chadeish Yameinu, Temple Beth El, NAACP, and the Santa Cruz Jewish Film Festival.



Belonging without Othering by John A. Powell and Stephen Menendian, is a powerful exploration of creating inclusive communities. Starting on **July 11**, from noon to 1pm, there will be a monthly virtual book club that meets at **obiw.org**.

The pressures that separate us have a common root: our tendency to cast people and groups in irreconcilable terms – or the process of "othering." This book gives vital language to this universal problem, unveiling its machinery at work across time and around the world. To subvert it, John A. Powell and Stephen Menendian make a powerful and sweeping case for adopting a paradigm of belonging that does not require the creation of an "other." This new paradigm hinges on transitioning from narrow to expansive identities – even if that means challenging seemingly benevolent forms of community-building based on othering.

John A. Powell is an internationally recognized expert in civil rights, structural racialization, housing, and democracy, and the Director of the Othering and Belonging Institute at University of California, Berkeley. He is a former legal director of the American Civil Liberties Union. Stephen Menendian is Assistant Director at the Othering and Belonging Institute, where he manages many ongoing research projects, including the Inclusiveness Index and the California Zoning Atlas.

Embark on a transformative journey by registering for this book club. Be part of a community that is actively working towards creating inclusive environments.



On **July 11**, from 6-7pm, join the **Monterey County Black Caucus** for their monthly meeting via Zoom. <https://www.facebook.com/groups/698529307504242/>

The mission of MCBC is to heal and empower the Black community, by providing a safe space for residents to unpack and reflect, by cultivating leadership through resident information/resource/education sessions and mentorship while advocating for racial equity and inspiring Black culture through creative arts and honoring our Ancestors.

2024
MONTEREY COUNTY

Race Relations Summit Meeting

Join us for a day of discussions about race relations.

Hear from our **esteemed speakers**, breakout sessions, and converse with leaders from the community!

This **exclusive event** is the place where leaders, facilitators and educators can come together to learn and improve race relations in our communities.

The **Race Relations Summit Meeting** is **July 12th**. Begins with a continental breakfast and meet & greet at 9am at Embassy suites, Seaside.

Guests can explore community organization vendors and connect with others in the community. **Lunch** is included.

Keynote Speaker



Khuram Hussain, Albany NY, is the dynamic Associate Professor of Education Studies and Vice President for Equity & Inclusion across Middlebury campuses. A sought-after dialogue facilitator and consultant, he's championed diversity and equity across schools, universities, government offices, and non-profits. He played a pivotal role in Geneva's largest grassroots diversity study and collaborated with the U.S. Department of Justice on community-law enforcement relations.



Paul Robinson, Minneapolis IN, With 30 years of experience spanning ministry, business, and nonprofit management, Paul empowers leaders with transformative resources and leadership development. Paul is the Executive Minister of Serve Locally for the Evangelical Covenant Church, where he drives the mission to build a more caring and just world. Paul's passion lies in igniting connections and driving impactful action at the crossroads of ideas and diversity.



Dr. Linda McKenzie, Ventura County CA, the CEO of Global Empathy Training Academy, leverages over three decades of experience in consulting, mentoring, coaching, and leadership development to empower others. Raised in Flint, Michigan, Linda's lived experience of inequality fuels her fearless yet empathetic advocacy for equity. She transforms personal struggles into powerful lessons on empathy and grace, inspiring leaders to embrace lifelong learning and collaborative change.

Scan for tickets



Tickets available **ONLINE ONLY**
Limited seating

For information on group pricing
contact: Thomas@BLAAC.org

To Learn more visit www.BLAAC.org



LIVESTREAM THE SOUND OF SOLIDARITY:

AN INTERGENERATIONAL ENCUESTRO
WITH HOLLY NEAR, TAMMY HALL, JAN MARTINELLI,
DJÉRAE LUCAS, MIA PIXLEY, AND DIANA GAMEROS

FRIDAY, JULY 12TH, 2024

7:00 PM - 10:00 PM PST

LIVESTREAM \$10



On **July 12**, tune in for an inspiring evening of live performances and intergenerational dialogue with **Holly Near, Tammy Hall, Jan Martinelli, Djérae Lucas, Mia Pixley, and Diana Gameros**

This will be a celebration of feminist, femme, and gender-fluid musicians in the Bay Area. Experience the transformative power of music as artists from diverse backgrounds come together to share their stories and talents. It will be a night of music, community solidarity, and empowerment with meaningful conversations that will inspire change and foster unity throughout the evening.

This is a fundraiser for La Peña Cultural Center, a central site for Latinx, Caribbean, and Indigenous diasporic communities of the Bay Area to preserve and celebrate cultural traditions, present new interdisciplinary creative works, and to nurture grassroots social justice movements with artists, activists, and allies. Our founding as a “peña”—or place offering music, food, and political support to cultures of resistance in South America in the 1960s-70s—has guided our program of challenging dominant narratives and centering marginalized positions for nearly fifty years, and we proudly stand as the last such “peña” still in existence today.

This is both a live and virtual event.

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/the-sound-of-solidarity-intergenerational-concert-at-la-pena-tickets-920641231707?aff=oddtcreator>

REINFORCING CULTURAL IDENTITY

Folklórico
Dance & Music
Conference

SAT
7/13
1-5PM

NO-HOST FUNDRAISING EVENT

Buena Vista Brewing Company • Watsonville

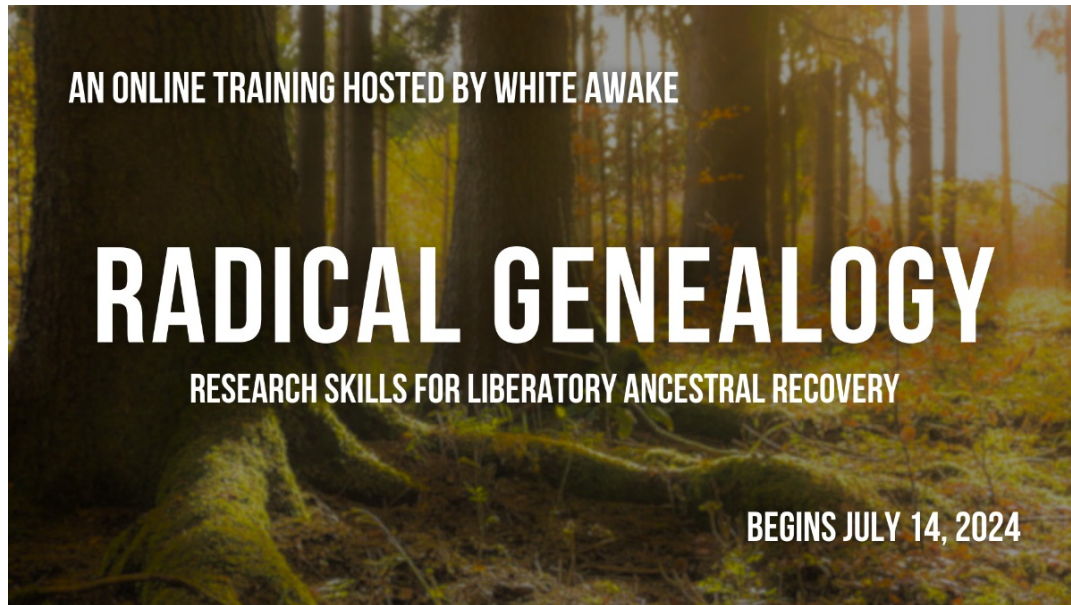
- Music by Casa Primos
- “Real Taco” Food Truck
- Esperanza del Valle dancers
- Silent Auction



On **July 13**, from 1-5pm, Esperanza del Valle will host **Reinforcing Cultural Identity**. It will take place at the Buena Vista Brewing Company, 65 Hangar Way, Watsonville.

The mission of Esperanza del Valle is to cultivate and promote, pride and understanding of the Mexican culture through its rich folkloric dances rooted in the merging of the Indigenous, European and African heritages.

(831) 475-9732



Beginning on **July 14**, White Awake will host a two part training on radical genealogy.

Radical Genealogy offers people of European descent genealogical research tools for connecting their individual family histories to the broader histories of racism, colonialism, capitalism, traditional culture, and political resistance that shaped our ancestors' lives. Together, as descendants of those who were stripped of their inherited traditions and socialized to become "white," we will explore how to use genealogical study to develop a renewed and rooted sense of self that can power our efforts for collective liberation.

Through two training sessions and curated study materials you will:

- Gain foundational skills for starting your genealogy research and ensuring accuracy.
- Learn about a framework for developing a rooted political identity as a Euro-descendant person through genealogical study.
- Receive insight for connecting your own family's story to three historical windows into our ancestors' collective story: 1. Traditional lifeways, harm endured, and racialization, 2. Harm caused, and 3. Legacies of resistance.
- Be part of a supportive learning community where you can process emotions and discuss questions that arise in your family history research.

https://whiteawake.org/radical-genealogy-july-2024-registration/?mc_cid=b51b8ec72f&mc_eid=e10bde8c85



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MONTEREY

FESTIVAL

SUNDAY

JULY 14, 2024

NOON - 5:00 pm

MONTEREY PENINSULA BUDDHIST TEMPLE
1155 NOCHE BUENA, SEASIDE, CALIFORNIA

75th ANNUAL

EXHIBITS

ENTERTAINMENT

JAPANESE FOOD



On **Sat, Sept 21**, the NAACP Monterey County Branch's 52nd Annual Life Membership Freedom Fund Banquet will be held at Embassy Suites by Hilton 1441 Canyon Del Rey Blvd. Seaside.

The fundraiser includes a silent auction. They are seeking help with obtaining items, and services to be auctioned as well as helping to set up or to take down on the event day.

Please contact An McDowell 831 233 4853

On **Thurs, Oct 3**, from noon to 1pm, the Village Project Inc will host their 6th Annual Luncheon at the Hyatt Regency Monterey Hotel & Spa. They are looking for folks to be table captains and to help out on the day of the event.

If you would like to volunteer please contact village@villageprojectinc.org.

Join us:

For more information, please visit our web site <https://whitesforracialequity.org/>, and our Facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/groups/WhitesforRacialEquity/>. Whites for Racial Equity is an affiliate of SURJ- Showing Up for Racial Justice. <http://www.showingupforracialjustice.org/>

WRE encourages all to engage with events in your community, statewide, nationally, internationally, and online to create the world in which you want to live. For those of you living in Monterey County, CA, please view **the Social Justice Community Calendar** at https://calendar.google.com/calendar/embed?src=5e10f8ba9aa72d14c55cd498bdaca8ed4060ad4759bea9f6676f15dac2bbf3ca%40group.calendar.google.com&ctz=America%2FLos_Angeles to see events in our community



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