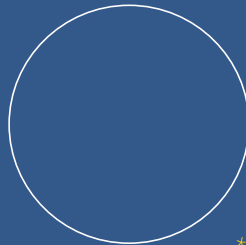
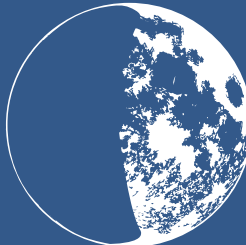
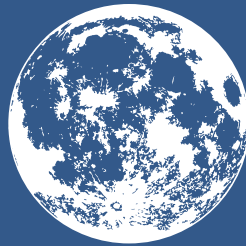


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The 2018 Festival explores practices, teachings, and insights rooted in feminine wisdom. Speakers and artists from diverse backgrounds and faith traditions examine the feminine aspects of the Divine, non-dual thinking, the wisdom of the natural world, suffering, healing, emotional intelligence, and creativity. The Festival seeks to offer deeper insight into the Sacred Feminine in all of us.

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5:30PM **INTERFAITH OPENING CELEBRATION** Traditional opening program featuring local interfaith performances and reflections

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2PM **CONFRONTING GENDER: SEEING, HEARING, AND VALUING THE FEMININE** Nina Simons, Rev. Monica Coleman, and others  
7PM **LISTEN! FEMININE WISDOM** An evening of evocative music rooted in spiritual practice designed to stir the soul. Featuring virtuoso violinist Caroline Goulding, gospel singer Sharron Sales, and folk singer Julia Purcell

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**CATHEDRAL OF THE ASSUMPTION**

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2:30 pm



**MULTI-FAITH BLOOD DRIVE**

*Cathedral of the Assumption*

Many Faiths. One Heart. Common Action.

The 2018 Festival of Faiths Blood Drive is a community-wide “Common Action” event hosted by the Center for Interfaith Relations, American Red Cross, and communities of faith across Louisville and Southern Indiana. Join us for a brief multi-faith ceremony to honor and celebrate our shared humanity.

*“We all bleed red.” -Dr. Ali Haider*

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5:30 - 7 pm

**OPENING CELEBRATION**

*Cathedral of the Assumption*

The first evening of the 23rd Annual Festival of Faiths is a joyful evening of music, song, and soulful reflection in a traditional opening celebration at Louisville’s historic Cathedral of the Assumption. This year’s program offers expressions of Sacred Insight and Feminine Wisdom from individuals of all ages and faith traditions.

The program features works written by a Benedictine Abbess of the 11th century, Hildegard von Bingen, and performances by world-class opera singer Naomi O’Connell. Sayed Ali Abass Razawi will also offer a reflection on the sacred and healing properties of giving blood, the 2018 Festival of Faiths Common Action initiative.

*Cathedral of the Assumption 433 S. 5th Street | Free and open to the public – no ticket required.*



**FESTIVAL BLOOD DRIVE**

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**WEDNESDAY, APRIL 25, 2018**

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**8:30 - 9:15 am**

**BUDDHIST SPIRITUAL PRACTICE ON THE SACRED FEMININE**

with Elizabeth Mattis Namgyel

A teaching on the *Prajnaparamita*, the Perfection of Transcendent Wisdom. The Divine Feminine in a fundamental or essential way refers to insight or wisdom. *Prajna* means accurate seeing and *Paramita* means to go beyond or transcend our ordinary way of seeing things.

Elizabeth Mattis Namgyel is a Buddhist teacher, author, and practitioner who has studied and practiced the Buddhadharma for 30 years under the guidance of Dzigar Kongtrul Rinpoche. Elizabeth says, “these emptiness teachings are very powerful and transformative for our time, yet they are often overlooked or misunderstood... They have changed my whole life.”

*“Gate, Gate, Paragate, Parasamgate, Bodhi Svaha!”*

*“Gone, gone, gone all the way over, everyone gone to the other shore.  
Enlightenment!”*

(The Heart Sutra’s closing Sankrit mantra as translated by Thich Nhat Han)

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**10 am  
- 12 pm**

**ONE, NOT TWO: SACRED WHOLENESS**

Pravrajika Brahmaprana, Christopher Pramuk, Elizabeth Mattis Namgyel, and Lyla June Johnston

From ancient times our faith traditions teach us that everything is inextricably united as a sacred whole. This eternal and perennial wisdom is hard to grasp by the human mind, which tends to see the world dualistically: right/wrong, male/female, sacred/profane. The contemplative, non-dual mind, however, can restore our understanding of the interdependence of all things. It holds paradox, and it is unitive.

This session will explore how unifying, and balancing the complementary feminine and masculine aspects of Divine Wisdom is essential to our approaching wholeness, and the non-dual mind.

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**LUNCH BREAK**

**12 - 2 pm**

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with Maria Whitley

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**2 - 4 pm**    **CONFRONTING GENDER: SEEING, HEARING & VALUING THE FEMININE**  
Nina Simons, Rev. Monica Coleman, and others

We face many grave spiritual and cultural imbalances caused by our devaluing, oppression, and ignorance of the feminine. Discrimination, bias, and assault based on gender/identification is a global and systemic condition. Yet as evidenced by #metoo, #TimesUp, the women's march, and prominent media stories from Hollywood to New York City, women's voices are being heard around the globe, and with them, political will is building to confront gender bias.

Understanding, lifting up, and integrating the feminine may result in a new understanding and re-spiritualization of how we look at the world and ourselves. How can we more fully reconnect and restore feminine wisdom to our collective and cultural consciousness as a fundamental way to heal our wounds? How would the world look with a realignment of values, and the reinfusion of the feminine?

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**4 - 7 pm**    **DINNER BREAK**  
Reception, Bookstore, Book signings, Meet & Greet, Teepee, Planetarium, and more.

**4:30 - 5:30 pm**    **DAILY WORKSHOP | TODD HALL**  
*The Here is the Way to Everywhere: Land as Epiphany.*  
Sr. Claire McGowan, OP, Sr. Susan Gatz, and Sr. Susan Classen

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**7 - 9 pm**    **LISTEN! FEMININE WISDOM**  
An evening of music rooted in spiritual practice and expressions of the creativity inherent to Feminine Wisdom

This evening will explore the evocative and mysterious ability of music to "stir the soul" through a collection of musical performances representing sacred practices, including contemplation, praise, and faith-filled activism. Featured female performers will curate and share the music that has led to sacred insight and wisdom in their craft. Performances will include a tribute to Mahalia Jackson, as well as a violin performance, which was developed at the intersection of mindfulness practice and music creativity.

## THURSDAY, APRIL 26, 2018

KENTUCKY CENTER FOR THE ARTS

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8:30 - 9:15 am

### INDIGENOUS SPIRITUAL PRACTICE ON THE SACRED FEMININE

with Pat McCabe (Weyakpa Najin Win)

A teaching on the role of the feminine in Indigenous practices of spirituality, and in relationship to community. Indigenous Peoples' "Ways of Knowing," how they understand and heal their disrupted ways of living will have everything to do with the solutions we are all seeking as a global community.

Weyakpa Najin Win (Woman Stands Shining) is a Diné (Navajo) mother, grandmother, activist, artist, writer, ceremonial leader, and international speaker. She believes that "what we are suffering from at this time on the planet is a crisis of relationship."

*Honor the Sacred. Honor the Earth, our Mother. Honor the Elders. Honor all with whom we share the Earth: Four-leggeds, two-leggeds, winged ones. Swimmers, crawlers, plant and rock people. Walk in balance and beauty.* - Native American Elder

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10 am  
- 12 pm

### DARK NIGHTS OF THE SOUL

Rev. Ruby Sales, Rev. Monica Coleman, Kenza Isnasni, and more

World religions teach us that suffering is part of the human condition. Our attempts to avoid suffering prevent us from experiencing essential insights and awareness that lead to spiritual healing and growth. Individually and collectively, we must step into the shadows, sit with our fears, and embrace vulnerability.

Spiritual teachings and practices help us transform the darkness into light, the fallow to the fertile, and awaken a deep level of awareness and accountability. Through these teachings, can we come to confront our shortcomings and broken behaviors? How can we face America's most egregious acts, including genocide and slavery? How can feminine insight hold space for the darkness so that we can be transformed?

*"People are like stained-glass windows. They sparkle and shine when the sun is out, but when the darkness sets in, their true beauty is revealed only if there is a light from within."* - Elizabeth Kübler-Ross

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- 12:30 - 1 pm* **NIA EMBODIED MOVEMENT PRACTICE**  
with Maria Whitley
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- CULTURE OF ADDICTION**
- 2 - 4 pm* Rev. Ruby Sales, Lynne Twist, and Rev. Becca Stevens

We live in a culture of addiction. Many of us feel increasingly alienated, and disconnected as we try to find meaning, and fulfillment, through the accumulation of “more.” This pursuit leads to further fracture, and the destructive cycle continues. We are addicted to our ego, money, power, drugs, and “stuff.” In a world that has evolved to feed and profit from human suffering, how do we break the cycle, and find happiness, contentment, and peace?

In this session, healers will show how accessing feminine wisdom today can help us accept our deepest wounds, and provide insight, and forgiveness, that leads to healing. Additionally, speakers will help us understand our cultural addictions to materialism, and success, and illuminate the spiritual, and human, costs associated with these systems.

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- 4:30 - 5:30 pm* **DAILY WORKSHOP | TODD HALL**  
*The Sophia Century*  
with Lynne Twist
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- 7 - 9 pm* **EMERGE! FEMININE WISDOM**  
An evening curated by poet and author Hannah Drake and Safiyyah Rasool, choreographer and director of Safiyyah Dance Company

*Emerging From Darkness to Light* is a journey of poetry, song, dance, and opera that moves the audience through loss and pain to healing and restoration. Covering many topics that impact and shape the lives of women, we learn through a variety of artists that through adversity and challenge there is hope, love, healing, and celebration on the other side.

**FRIDAY, APRIL 27, 2018**

**KENTUCKY CENTER FOR THE ARTS**

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**8:30 - 9:15 am**

**HINDU SPIRITUAL PRACTICE ON THE SACRED FEMININE**

with Pravrajika Brahma-prana

A guided meditation on the “Light of Loving Consciousness.” Rooted in the Vedanta Hindu tradition, this meditation is on the Divine Feminine in Her impersonal aspect *chit*, the light of consciousness, which is the same as *ananda*, loving consciousness.

A meditation aimed at centering ourselves more deeply in a particular mood of the Divine Feminine, by either choosing a symbol (such as Kali, Durga, Lakshmi, Radha, Sita, or Mother Mary); an attribute (such as compassion, forbearance, or unconditional love); *shakti*, (Primal Energy, the power of *Brahman*, God); or her Divine Presence.

Pravrajika Brahma-prana is the resident minister at the Ramakrishna Vedanta Society of North Texas. She has been a Hindu nun since 1973.

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**10 am**

**MOTHER: EARTH**

**- 12 pm**

Lynne Twist, Rabbi Nina Cardin, and Pat McCabe

The Earth is our most profound teacher. Most spiritual traditions refer to the Earth in the feminine. She is the source of all life. Through her complex systems she models essential lessons such as interdependence, interconnection, mutuality, mystery, and wholeness. Her seasons are cycles of birth, death, and rebirth. Our relationship to the Earth is an access point for uncovering feminine wisdom and insight.

What we do to the Earth is a mirror of what we also do to the feminine aspects of ourselves. She has been objectified, dominated, tamed, brutalized, and neglected. This session will reveal how the wisdom of the natural world manifests itself, and how to use this wisdom as a teacher, guide, and healer to restore balance in our relationships with the Earth and each other.

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**12 - 2 pm**

**LUNCH BREAK**

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**NIA EMBODIED MOVEMENT PRACTICE**

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2 - 4 pm

**MODELING WHOLENESS: PEOPLE, PLACE, AND PLANET**

Mary Berry, Rabbi Nina Cardin, Kenza Isnasni, and more

Mass displacement of people, violence, war, and natural disasters are symptoms of our current relationship to the Earth. When we respect and value the interconnections among people, place, and planet, we are honoring the inextricable sacred web of all things. We are also honoring Feminine wisdom and the understanding that sustainable solutions address people, place, and planet together as one, complex, sacred system.

This session will explore best practices and holistic approaches to restoring and renewing bonds between people and the places where they live. It will emphasize the feminine principles of interconnection, community, and care as models of wholeness.

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4 - 7 pm

**DINNER BREAK**

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4:30 -

5:30 pm

**DAILY WORKSHOP | TODD HALL**

*Real Love / Essence Love*

with Sharon Salzberg and Tsoknyi Rinpoche

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7 - 9 pm

**HONOR! FEMININE WISDOM**

The Louisville Story Program and a conversation with Diane Rehm

Since June 2017, nine students from Iroquois High School have been working with the Louisville Story Program to write a book. Collectively, the authors speak nine languages and have lived in seven countries. They are writing about the ravages of war, life before and after moving to Louisville as refugees and immigrants, the foster care system, juvenile detention, motherhood, and many other challenges and triumphs. Nine powerful young women will share excerpts from their stories.

Beloved former public radio host, Diane Rehm, will speak about growing up as an Arab American, her ascent to preeminence in the male-dominated world of journalism, her nearly career-ending illness, and the loss of her beloved husband. She will share the essential insights gained throughout her career interviewing powerful and accomplished individuals, as well as wisdom that sustained her through the “dark nights” of her own illness, and that of her husband.

# SATURDAY, APRIL 28, 2018

KENTUCKY CENTER FOR THE ARTS

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## 8:30 - 9:15 am **SUFI SPIRITUAL PRACTICE ON THE SACRED FEMININE** with Sheikha Cemalnur Sargut

Sufism (*tasawwuf*) is the inner, spiritual, mystical dimension of Islam. Its aim is union with God through Emptiness, Presence, and Love. Its method is the practice of *dhikr*, the remembrance or invocation of God with every breath. By the rhythmic repetition of the names and attributes of God, the worshiper is absorbed into God's Presence.

Sheikha Cemalnur Sargut is one of Turkey's deepest and most inspiring Muslim spiritual teachers. She will lead a *sohbet* (spiritual discourse), and a *dhikr* (invocation of God ritual). A Sufi master with a major worldwide following, she is also the President of the Turkish Women's Cultural Association in Istanbul.

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## 10 am - 12 pm **UNDERSTANDING THE FEMININE ASPECTS OF THE DIVINE** Sheikha Cemalnur Sargut, Tsoknyi Rinpoche, Omid Safi, and more

How do we honor and integrate the Feminine aspects of Divine Wisdom in ourselves? Hear from spiritual voices deeply rooted in their sacred traditions about the essence of love and Feminine wisdom.

The Sacred Feminine manifests itself in a variety of forms in the world's great faith traditions, including Sakinah, Guanyin, Sophia, Shakti, Kali, The Great Spirit, Chochmah, Yin/Yang, and many others. What do religious institutions have to say about a reinfusion of feminine narratives? Whose stories are we telling? What do the female saints of our traditions teach us?

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## 12 - 2 pm **LUNCH BREAK** Bookstore, Book signings, Meet & Greet, Scene, Teepee, and more

## 12:30 - 1 pm **NIA EMBODIED MOVEMENT PRACTICE** with Maria Whitley

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2 - 4 pm

### **INTEGRATING THE FEMININE ASPECTS OF THE DIVINE**

Sharon Salzberg, Najah Bazzy, Schuyler Brown, and others

How can insight gained using feminine wisdom be incorporated into our lives? In the current socio-political climate, how can we shift the worldview to create a new spiritually grounded narrative, and based on a balance of the masculine and feminine? Speakers will explore practical approaches to restoring health, and harmony, in our modern society through the integration of Feminine Insight and Wisdom.

The panel will be followed by a series of short interfaith reflections. Festival speakers will offer spiritual tools and insights for engaging Feminine Wisdom in the world.

The session will conclude with a short dialogue with the Festival of Faiths hosts and special guests to suggest approaches towards synthesizing the week's major themes.

*The session will begin with the world premiere of the "Heart Sutra Song" in English. For centuries the Heart Sutra has been chanted daily by millions of Buddhist monastics and lay people in China, Korea, Japan, Tibet, India, and many other regions in Asia.*

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*Theotokos of Vladimir is a medieval Byzantine icon painted circa 1130 in Constantinople.*



**NAJAH BAZZY**

Najah Bazy, R.N., is a transcultural clinical nurse specialist, and diversity specialist. She is executive director and founder of Zaman International. She is CEO of Diversity Specialists and Transcultural Health Care Solutions. Najah has an extensive background in critical care nursing with special expertise in cross-cultural health care.



**MARY BERRY**

Mary Berry is the executive director of the Berry Center in New Castle, Ky. She has spent most of her life farming in her native Kentucky, beginning on Lanes Landing Farm, owned by her parents, Wendell and Tanya Berry. Her own extensive experience in farming has expanded with the creation of the Berry Center, where she shares the messages of her father, the renowned poet, essayist, environmentalist, and novelist. Mary speaks all over the country as a proponent of sustainable agriculture, small farmers, and rural communities.



**PRAVRAJIKA  
BRAHMAPRANA**

Pravrajika Brahmaprana joined the Saranda Convent at the Vedanta Society of Southern California in 1973 and has been an ordained sannyasini since 1984. She is the resident minister of the Ramakrishna Vedanta Society of North Texas, in the Dallas-Fort Worth Metroplex. She is the author of books and articles on the philosophy and practice of Vedanta for journals and anthologies in America and abroad.



**SCHUYLER BROWN**

Schuyler Brown is a futurist, facilitator, and communications strategist. Her company, Sightful, provides insight, strategy, and training to create conscious organizations and support visionary leaders in the corporate world and in social justice movements. She was named one of Origin Magazine's 100 Top Creatives; and has taught social innovation at The School of Visual Arts. Her work infuses contemporary business practices with mystical and feminine wisdom principles.



**NINA BETH  
CARDIN**

Nina Beth Cardin is a rabbi, author, and environmental activist. In 1988 she was ordained by the Jewish Theological Seminary. Over the course of her professional life she founded the Jewish Women's Resource Center. From 2007 until 2009 she was general consultant to the Coalition on the Environment and Jewish Life. In 2011, she founded the Baltimore Orchard Project, which grows and distributes fruit to the poor in Baltimore.



**MONICA A.  
COLEMAN**

Monica A. Coleman is professor of Constructive Theology and African-American Religions at Claremont School of Theology in Southern California. Answering her call to the ministry at 19 years of age, she is an ordained elder in the African Methodist Episcopal Church.



**HANNAH DRAKE**

Hannah Drake is a poet and novelist whose focus is on inspiring hope and deliverance, believing that her words will ultimately be used for true transformation. In 2014, she joined Roots and Wings, a dynamic group of artists based in Louisville who seek to bring social change within their community. She has published two novels, and is currently working on a new collection of poetry and life lessons entitled "Love, Revolution and Lemonade."



**CAROLINE  
GOULDING**

Violinist Caroline Goulding has blossomed into one of America's great virtuosos since her debut as a soloist at age 13 with the Cleveland Orchestra. Recently she re-emerged from a seven-month pause to focus her attention on meditative practices and the merger of meditation and music.



**BRIANNA HARLAN**

Brianna Harlan is a mixed media artist who creates Radically Vulnerable art to invite transformational dialogue. Themes of her work include identity, social/cultural dynamics, intimacy, oppression, and self suppression. She was selected for the inaugural class of the Creative Capital and Community Foundation of Louisville's fellowship program, Hadley Creatives. She teaches Meyzeek Middle School students, and is community liaison at the Center for Neighborhoods.





**KENZA ISNASNI**

Kenza Isnasni is the co-founder of Marrakesh Organics in Morocco. She is a humanitarian activist who is very sensitive to questions related to human rights, education, climate change, and environmental protection, interfaith and intercultural dialogue. She is a master's student in International Relations and Diplomacy with a concentration in Peace and Conflicts Studies at Al Akhawayn University in Ifrane. She is currently doing research on the link between climate change and migration in the Senegal River Valley.



**LYLA JUNE  
JOHNSTON**

Lyla June Johnston is an artist, human ecologist, public speaker, and community organizer of Diné (Navajo), Tséts'héstâhese (Cheyenne), and European lineages. Her multi-genre performance style has invigorated and inspired audiences across the globe towards healing. Her messages focus on Indigenous rights, supporting youth, inter-cultural healing, historical trauma, and traditional land stewardship practices.



**PAT MCCABE**

Pat McCabe, whose indigenous name is Weyakpa Najin Win (Woman Stands Shining), is a Dine' (Navajo) mother, grandmother, activist, artist, writer, ceremonial leader, and international speaker. She is a voice for global peace, and her paintings are created as tools for individual, earth, and global healing. She draws upon the deep Indigenous sciences of thriving life to reframe questions about sustainability and balance, and she is devoted to supporting the next generations, the "Women's Nation" and the "Men's Nation," in being functional members of the "Hoop of Life" and upholding the honor of being human.



**ELIZABETH  
MATTIS NAMGYEL**

Elizabeth Mattis Namgyel has studied and practiced the Buddhadharma for 30 years under the guidance of Dzīgār Kongtrul Rinpoche. After meeting Rinpoche in Nepal, she became his first Western student. After many years of solitary retreat, Rinpoche appointed Elizabeth as retreat master at Longchen Jigme Samten Ling, Mangala Shri Bhuti's retreat center in southern Colorado. Elizabeth is known for her willingness to question the spiritual path in order to reach a place of genuine practice and awakening.





**NAOMI O'CONNELL**

Naomi O'Connell is an Irish-German opera singer, and actress who divides her time between the recital platform, the theatre, and opera stages. She was first prize winner of the 2011 Concert Artists Guild Competition, and was acclaimed as a “natural in the recital format” for her Carnegie Hall debut.



**CHRISTOPHER  
PRAMUK**

Dr. Christopher Pramuk is author of “Hope Sings, So Beautiful: Graced Encounters Across the Color Line” (2013), a sustained meditation on race relations in society and church, and two award-winning studies of Thomas Merton and his relationship to the Feminine Divine. Pramuk is chair of Ignatian Thought at Regis University in Denver, and he has received the International Thomas Merton Society’s “Louie,” the top honor of the organization.



**JULIA PURCELL**

Julia W. Purcell is a vocalist and multi-instrumentalist and is one of three members of the Louisville band, Maiden Radio. Julia studied voice at Michigan State University and graduated with a music therapy degree. In addition to providing music therapy services through her business, Louisville Expressive Therapies, she teaches a Music Improvisation course at the University of Louisville. In 2010 Julia became a certified Music Together teacher and teaches early childhood parent/child music classes at at Shine studio.



**SAFIYYAH RASOOL**

Safiyyah Rasool is co-owner and creative director of the Safiyyah Dance Company in Louisville. She has trained with talented hip-hop choreographers such as Willdabeast Adams, Kevin Maher, Laurianne Gibson, Luam Keflezgy, and Tabitha and Napoleon Dumo. She has choreographed many programs in the Midwest area including Actors Theatre and Stage One.



**SAYED ALI ABASS  
RAZAWI**

Sayed Ali Abass Razawi is an international speaker and teacher. He uses his background in Ethics, Theology, and Spirituality as a tool in breaking social barriers, creating awareness, and healing communities. Sayed spends much of his time with interfaith organizations, and he has written on the need for dialogue, and the concepts of religion in Christianity and Islam. He lectures and does research at many universities.



**KENDALL  
REGAN**

Kendall Regan is an artist and designer based in Louisville. Through her work with Against the Grain Brewery, she has built a reputation as the go-to chalk artist in the city. Kendall's art is full of pop culture references, clever puns, and striking typographic imagery. Her work is featured on craft beer cans, cycling jerseys, and in Louisville Magazine, where she has been a contributing artist since 2014. She has also produced works for Red Bull, Festival of Faiths, 502 Winery, Somewhere Restaurant & Bar, Rocky's Sub Pub, Over the 9, and Nashville's Stout Burgers and Beer.



**DIANE REHM**

For nearly 40 years, Diane Rehm engaged millions of radio listeners through her daily broadcast focused on news, social issues, and the arts. Among many honors she has received is the National Humanities Medal, given to her in 2014 by President Barack Obama. After leaving the air at the end of 2016, Diane's memoir, "On My Own," was a national bestseller. She hosts a weekly podcast, through her personal website [www.drshow.org](http://www.drshow.org), or iTunes.



**TSOKNYI  
RINPOCHE**

Tsoknyi Rinpoche is one of the most acclaimed teachers of Tibetan Buddhism trained outside of Tibet. Deeply versed in both the practical and philosophical disciplines of Tibetan Buddhism, he is known for his accessible style, his generosity, and self-deprecating humor, and his deeply personal, compassionate insight into human nature. He oversees two nunneries in Nepal, one of the largest nunneries in Tibet, and more than 50 practice centers and hermitages in the eastern region of Tibet.



**OMID SAFI**

Omid Safi is a leading Muslim public intellectual in the United States, and he writes a column for “On Being.” He is director of the Duke University Islamic Studies Center, where he specializes in the study of Islamic mysticism and contemporary Islam, and frequently writes on liberationist traditions of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., and Malcolm X. He is committed to traditions that link together love and justice. He is among the most popular speakers on Islam in mainstream media.



**RUBY SALES**

Ruby Sales answered the call to social justice in her teens at the Tuskegee Institute, where she joined the Student Nonviolent Coordinating Committee, and worked on voter registration in Alabama. Ruby is a highly regarded theologian whose inspiring words have focused on such topics as (most recently) the deaths of African Americans by white police, security guards, and vigilantes, for which she has compiled a national database on these events. The SpiritHouse Project, which she founded, has created events, teach-ins, demonstrations, etc. to focus on this significant problem of our times.



**SHARRON SALES**

Sharron Sales is a renowned singer, actress, and published author who is best known for her portrayal of the Queen of Gospel, Mahalia Jackson. She is a mother, grandmother, and great-grandmother who acknowledges singing being the “universal language that God has so blessed” her to share. She is a member of the Burnett Avenue Baptist Church in Louisville. In her career, she has traveled extensively in the United States, as well as Switzerland and other countries.



**SHARON  
SALZBERG**

Sharon Salzberg is a central figure in the field of meditation, a world-renowned teacher, and a New York Times bestselling author. She has played a crucial role in bringing meditation and mindfulness practices into the West, and into mainstream culture since 1974. She is co-founder of the Insight Meditation Society in Barre, Mass., and the author of ten books, including “Real Love.” Sharon offers a secular, modern approach to Buddhist teachings, making them readily accessible.



**CEMALNUR  
SARGUT**

Cemalnur Sargut has been president of the Turkish Women's Cultural Association since 2000. She is one of Turkey's deepest and most inspiring Muslim spiritual teachers, who is leading a resurgence in the study and practice of Sufism, the mystical dimension of Islam. The association she heads reaches millions of people "who would like to apply solutions to today's problems in the Sufi view that knowledge is a state to be practiced, and worship is a journey toward love."



**NINA SIMONS**

Nina Simons is an award-winning social entrepreneur and visionary thinker. In 1990, she co-founded Bioneers with her husband and partner, Kenny Ausubel. Nina's work currently focuses on writing and teaching about women, leadership, diversity, systems thinking, and restoring the feminine in us all. Nina edited the anthology, "Moonrise: The Power of Women Leading From the Heart," which contains 30 essays by 40 contributors, who collectively help redefine the leadership landscape.



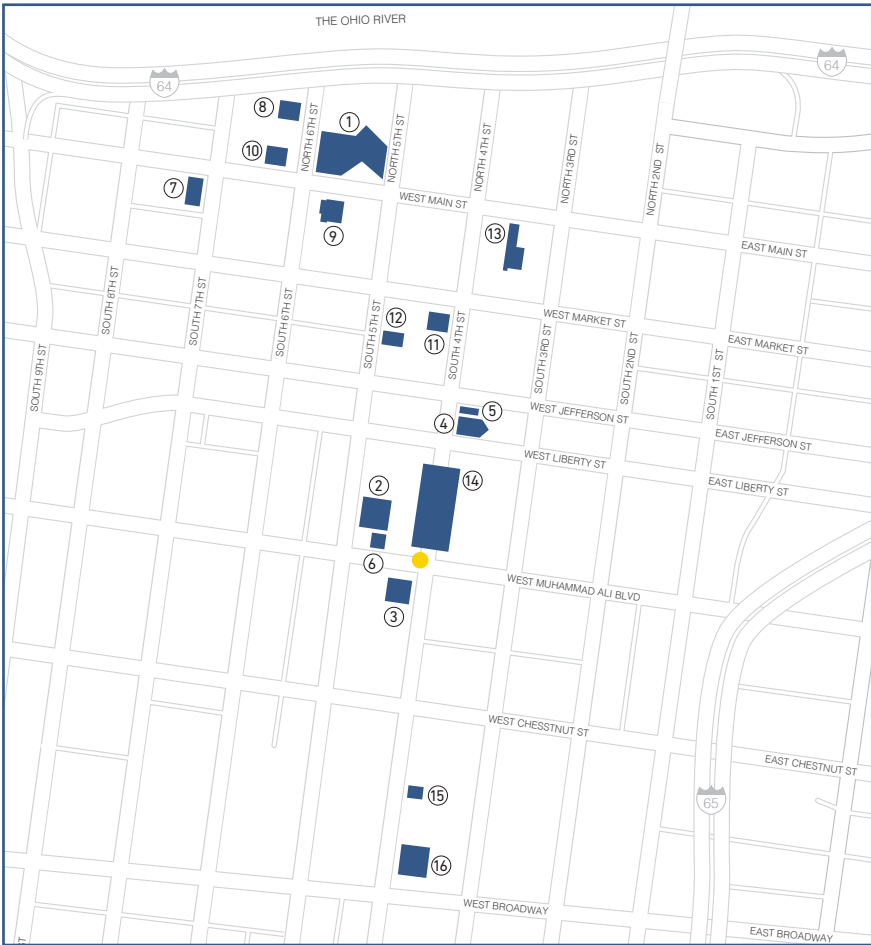
**BECCA STEVENS**

Becca Stevens is an author, speaker, priest, social entrepreneur, and founder of Thistle Farms. A victim of child abuse, she opened in 1997 a haven for survivors in a loving community, initially for five women who had experienced trafficking, violence, and addiction. Twenty years later, Thistle Farms continues to welcome women with free residences that provide housing, medical care, therapy, and education for two-year terms. The global market of Thistle Farms helps employ more than 1,800 women worldwide, and the national network has more than 40 sister communities.



**LYNNE TWIST**

A global visionary, Lynne Twist is committed to alleviating poverty, ending world hunger, and supporting social justice and environmental sustainability. Through a variety of experiences ranging from working with Mother Teresa in Calcutta to advising some of the world's wealthiest families on philanthropy, Lynne has gained a deep understanding of people's relationships with money. She is the author of "The Soul of Money," co-founder of the Pachamama Alliance, and founder of the Soul of Money Institute.



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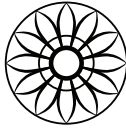


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