Occasionally we are asked "what is the Anti-Racism Affinity Group of Greater Newburyport?" and "can I join?" We are a small group that has been meeting for years to support, discuss, and learn about systemic racism and intersectional issues generally, as well as mentor others beginning their journeys of anti-racism.

We support and challenge one another in our own education through books, movies, articles, podcasts, workshops, etc., and look at ways to share these ideas and information with the community, with individuals, and with others who wish to begin their own learning pods.

We stand in solidarity with all those working to end racism, inequality, war and imperialism, while also supporting efforts to build power in working class communities of color. Collective and individual liberation for all!

This is our Facebook page, Anti-Racism Affinity Group of Greater Newburyport

Please feel free to share this email, or give others my email address (mentalchatter@yahoo.com) so they can get on the (blind carbon copy) mailing list.



### **Massachusetts Statewide Conversation on Reparations**

King Boston, on behalf of New England N'COBRA, New Democracy Coalition, Black Mass Coalition & Its Partners: Black Economic Council of MA, Boston Ujima Project, City Life/Vida Urbana, Families for Justice as Healing, the North American Indian Center of Boston, and Young Abolitionists, look forward to hosting our next statewide session, on June 1st from 5-6:30PM, to continue designing a forward strategy for reparations in Massachusetts. As we have learned from our national partners, local reparations efforts begin to prepare the infrastructure needed to implement a federal program and also helps to create and maintain a political landscape favorable to reparations.

### Jun 1, 2022 5:00-6:30 PM

Register here.





Under the Blacklight returns next week! Join us Wednesday, June 1st, at 8pm ET for our next installment of *Under the Blacklight*, Indivisible: Why Racial, Gender, and LGBTQIA+ Justice Cannot Be Separated.

In this special Pride Month episode we will bring together leading activists, advocates and academics to analyze how in a moment where the entire social justice infrastructure is under attack, we can come together as a united coalition to defend racial, gender, and LGBTQ justice unequivocally.

We will be joined by **Bryanna Jenkins**, a civil rights attorney at the Transgender Legal Defense & Education Fund; **Ezra Young**, Professor at Cornell Law School and nationally recognized scholar and civil rights attorney focusing on trans rights; **Alicia Garza**, founder of the Black Futures Lab, cocreator of #BlackLivesMatter and the Black Lives Matter Global Network; and **Russell Robinson**, Professor at UC Berkeley Law and acclaimed scholar on the interdisciplinary study of race and sexual orientation.

**RSVP Here** 



## Gender Diversity Allyship and Story Sharing (VIRTUAL)

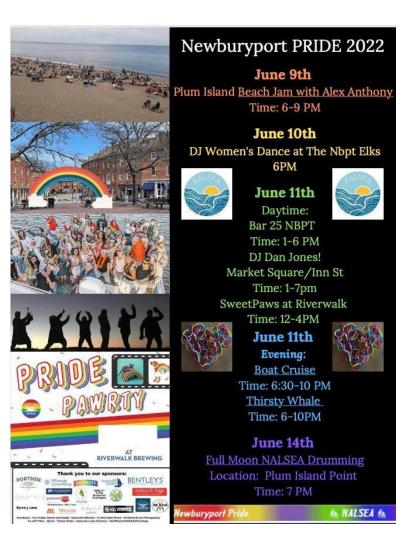
# TUESDAY, JUNE 7, 7:00—8:00 PM Virtual Program, Newburyport Public Library, 94 State Street, Newburyport, MA, 01950

Come join us to talk about gender diversity and how to support your transgender and nonbinary friends and community members! This workshop will briefly review introductory gender information and recent trends in research. The latter half of the presentation will focus on story-sharing, presenting a first-person narrative of navigating gender and other identities. If there is time, we will engage in discussion around supporting transgender and nonbinary peers.

Álvaro Gamio Cuervo (he/they/él/elle) is a doctoral student in the Counseling Psychology Ph.D. program at UMass Boston. Álvaro received their MSW in Social Work and their clinical work focused on trauma/crisis services with LGBTQ, POC, and low-income young adult populations. Their research focuses on hope and resilience for trans folks of color, more specifically on how Latinx trans individuals make meaning of family rejection and the relationship between suicidal thoughts and behaviors. Álvaro enjoys cooking new recipes, crocheting, exercising, and watching copious amounts of reality television.

This program will take place on Zoom. Register <u>HERE</u> or by calling 978-465-4428 x242. Attendees are expected to adhere to the Library's <u>Programming and Patron Policies</u>. This program is funded by your donations to the <u>Friends of the Newburyport Public Library</u>.

https://newburyportpl.assabetinteractive.com/calendar/gender-diversity-allyship-and-story-sharing-virtual/



Ogunquit Pride 2022, Wed. June 1-Sun., June 5 // Ogunquit Pride -Ogunquit Chamber of Commerce Ogunquit, ME



InterFaith Service June 23 @ 8:00 am - 5:00 pm

<u>Find out more »</u> <u>North Shore Pride Parade and Festival and After Party</u> June 25 @ 11 am - 5:00 pm

Interested in being a vendor or participant? Click Here

Find out more »

# North Shore Pride Drag Brunch

June 26 @ 8:00 am - 5:00 pm

### Find out more »

### Portsmouth PRIDE // <u>Seacoast Outright</u> // Portsmouth, NH Sat JUN 25 // TBA more info



## Allyship for the Future: Growing our Power for Cross-Community Collaboration

### June 9 & 16 | 7-9PM | Virtual Program

This June, honor Pride month and Juneteenth with an all new NFSJ (Network for Social Justice-Winchester) training! This two-part series, co-led by Rob Jones and NFSJ Executive Director Liora Norwich, is designed as a closer look at allyship, both the theory and the everyday application. Together we will explore allyship through scrutinizing our own identities, discussing terminology and core concepts, and looking at promising practices and grounded scenarios. Registration is now <u>open</u>.

# The 48th Annual Native American Pow-Wow And Craft Fair

BRING A CHAIR OR BLANKET TO SIT ON

7 John V. Costa

# June 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup>, 2022

Public Invited Open from 10:00 AM – 5:00 PM

 Native American Crafts • Story Telling • Singing •
Dancing • Raffle • Children's activities Refreshments Available

> Host Drum • Split Feather With Special Guest Drums

Performances By: Bob White Bear & Wolf Cry Singers Additional Musicians contact: Mark at 508-680-6354 LaSalette Shrine Fairgrounds • RT 118 Park Street, Attleboro, MA

Suggested Donation \$2.00 – Children under 12 & Seniors Free Traders by Invitation Only

No Drugs or Alcoholic Beverages Allowed For More Information Call: Barbara Brintnall 508-680-6419 Or Laura Demers 508-838-4478

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June 11, 17, 18, 19, & 20 | BHTNH 2022 Juneteenth Celebration *The Gift: Celebrating African American Public Art* 

## Tour, Panel Discussion, Gospel Choir Concert, Step Dance Performance, Community Art Project, and More

### June 10, 2022 - June 20, 2022

This year's Juneteenth events honor the collective endeavor of the Black artists who are creating the most compelling art of our time. These programs offer a provocative intersection of history, media, performance, and ideas that deepen our understanding of our nation's history and center the Black experience.

**Event Schedule** 

Saturday, June 11 | Bus Tour | Saint-Gaudens National Historical Park | Cornish, NH AFRICAN AMERICANS & THE 54TH REGIMENT MEMORIAL

Friday, June 17 | Time TBD | Artist Panel Discussion | Manchester, NH BEARING WITNESS: BLACK ART IN PUBLIC SPACES

Saturday, June 18 | 4:00 PM | Music Hall, Portsmouth, NH | Cost TBD LET IT SHINE: THE HOWARD GOSPEL CHOIR SINGS THE GOSPEL

Sunday, June 19 | 2:00 PM | Live Streamed at the African Burying Ground Memorial UPROAR: A CELEBRATION OF AFRICAN AMERICAN CREATIVITY

Monday, June 20 | 3S Artspace | Workshop & Community Street Art Project THE ART OF ERASURE: GONE BUT NEVER FORGOTTEN

https://blackheritagetrailnh.org/juneteenth-celebration-2022/



<u>Talking to Family about Race</u> - June 16th and July 12th, 6:30-8:00 pm - Join CCI staff and community for a twopart workshop on speaking to family members about race and anti-racism. <u>Register here</u>.

# **PEG Proudly Presents**

Wear Orange: Artists Unite Against Gun Violence

> The PEG Center is honored to host this timely art exhibit, curated by Doris Madsen in collaboration with the Massachusetts chapter of Moms Demand Action for Gun Sense in America. It features 15 Massachusetts artists who have reached into their creative psyche to express individual and community resilence to a national epidemic of gun violence. At the reception, we will meet the artists. hear from Mom's Demand Action survivor advocate Ann Haaser, gun violence survivor and Everytown activist Gregor Gibson, and watch the 25 minute film produced by Doris Madsen about the original online exhibition.

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On Display June 1 - July 30

Orange Cap Gun I by Beverly Rippel

For more information and to donate, visit The Galen Gibson Fund and https://momsdemandaction.org.

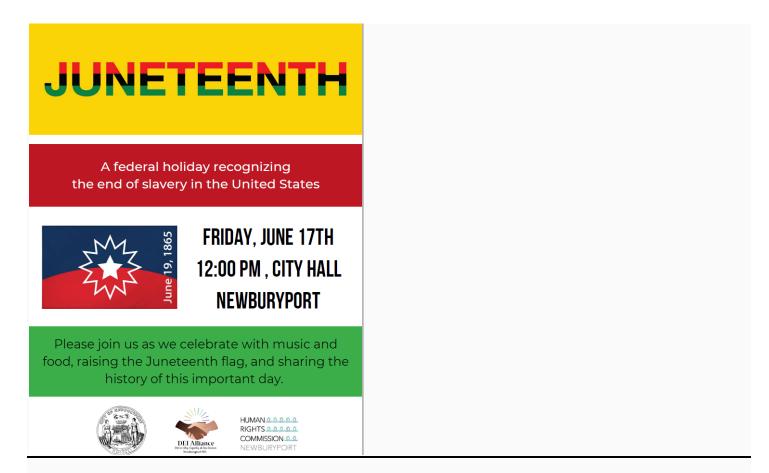


# The PEG Center for Art & Activism

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## Juneteeth Tiptoe Through the Tombstones: Black Newburyporters

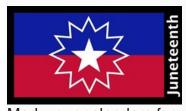


- Sunday, June 19, 2022
- 10:00 AM 11:30 AM
- Highland Cemetery, 21 Hill St., Newburyport, MA, 01950

Wander through Newburyport's historic Highland Cemetery with a special guide - noted author and historian Ghlee Woodworth, a 12th generation Newburyport native. On this special Juneteenth event, Woodworth will focus on the memorials of Newburyport's oncethriving Black community, and tell the story of "Guinea village", the slang term for the Black neighborhood nearby. Learn more about efforts to commemorate and celebrate these lives and experiences.

Directions: Meet at the first Hill Street entrance on the right. Park on Hill Street.

### \$15 adults, \$10 Museum of Old Newbury members GET TICKETS



### Mark your calendars for: Conversations on Race: Why the Juneteenth Federal Holiday Matters to Us All Wednesday, June 22 7:00 pm - 8:30 pm In-person registration here Zoom registration here

Now an annual Federal holiday on June 19, observed June 20, 2022, this recognition is a momentous landmark in the ongoing campaign for social equity. In this session, we'll discuss ways local organizations and town celebrations create greater awareness and opportunity to share the wealth of African American culture, language, music and more to dismantle racism.

Please invite your friends to join our mailing list via email: <u>infomriteam@gmail.com</u>. **Thank you in advance for your support.** 

Your friends at Marblehead Racial Justice Team and Abbot Public Library



# 🔊 Black Agenda Report

News, commentary & analysis from the black left

The New White Supremacist Consensus Part Two: Shootings in Buffalo Solidify the

## <u>Consensus</u>

## Ajamu Baraka

The latest mass shooter in Buffalo, New York was clearly a racist, and identified with Ukrainian and other neo-Nazis. But white supremacy has a stronger hold on European and U.S. society than is commonly acknowledged. The avowed racist is not the only problem.

# **Capitalism and Baby Formula**

Margaret Kimberley, BAR Executive Editor and Senior Columnist

# ARD

## Criminal Justice System? - <u>NOT REALLY</u>

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### The 'Great Replacement' Theory: From Conspiracy to Mainstream Violence

https://the-ard.com/2022/05/17/origins-and-impact-great-replacement-theory/



This ongoing Language Matters column sheds light on important considerations about words and their impact. Language can be both a reflection of our beliefs and a powerful agent of change. Previous installments can be found <u>here</u>.

In this edition of Language Matters we are delving into language around disabilities and addressing a common question: Do I refer to someone as a "disabled person" or as "a person with a disability?" In her book *Demystifying Disability*, disability rights advocate, speaker and writer Emily Ladau indicates both phrases can be used because they honor two of the main ways of referring to disability: person-first language (PFL) and identity-first language (IFL). Since language does matter, the following is an excerpt from *Demystifying Disability* in Ladau's own words.

**Person-first language (PFL)** does just what it says: it puts the word "person" first, before any reference to disability is made. This type of language is all about acknowledging that human beings who have disabilities are, in fact, people first, and they're seen not just for their disability. So, when using PF, you might say "person with a disability" or "person who has Down Syndrome" or "people who use wheelchairs." The logic here is that disability is something a person has, rather than who they are, so by separating any mention of disability from the person and putting it second, you're showing that you respect the personhood of someone with a disability.

**Identify-first language (IFL)** is all about acknowledging disability as part of what makes a person who they are. So when using IFL you might say "disabled person" or "blind person" or "autistic people." In this case, disability isn't just a description or diagnosis; it's an identity that connects people to a community, a culture, and a history.

Marianne DiBlasi, a Winchester resident and former Network Board member who was born with a physical disability, agrees that using either PFL or IFL is correct, though some people prefer one over the other. She acknowledges it can be confusing to know which to use. DiBlasi offers these suggestions: either ask the person directly or listen for the language *they're* using. Most importantly, though, don't let your fear of doing or saying something "wrong" prevent you from getting to know a person with a disability. If you use someone's non-preferred language and receive a negative response, you can simply say something like "I apologize. What terminology do you prefer?" and then use it going forward. DiBlasi expressed appreciation for *Demystifying Disability* as a rich resource—an easy and thought-provoking read.

#### Network for Social Justice Newsletter

5/15 update from FRS/UU church re: family from Afghanistan -

Summer is coming and schedules are changing and people are going on vacation. This means that we are going to need some help in our work with the Mirzayees. Our main challenge now is providing rides to appointments, the mosque, family outings, and activities the kids are going to be engaged in. I know we have a group of people who have volunteered to help with rides, but we'd like to update that list and make sure we have a pool of people we can reach out to. If you haven't had a background check, we can easily arrange one through the church.

Lee McLaughlin, who gets the 4 year old twins to their activities is looking for a couple of people to regularly help her with that (the twins require two adults to get them safely in their car seats and into the activities). If you think you could commit a couple of hours every week or two to help, please contact her at <a href="mailto:lee\_mclaughlin@comcast.net">lee\_mclaughlin@comcast.net</a>

Everyone has been wonderful during this process. I know that we have asked for a lot over the last few months. It's because of all of you that we have been able to make the Mirzayees safe and comfortable as they grow accustomed to their new home. Thank you.

Annie, Lee, Mary, Ann

### 5/25/22 from Rev. Rebecca Bryan

On this day of such heavy and angry hearts - there are some inspiring reports with the Mirzayee Family. Mohammad Aqa, the father, passed his learning permit drivers test and is starting a job at the Anna Jaques Hospital on June 1st. There are so many people to thank and volunteers engaged with this- but for the moment - may we just say "Amen". Because we all need reminders.



<u>The Racist 'Great Replacement' Conspiracy Theory Explained</u> Jason Wilson and Aaron Flanagan, SPLC

How White Supremacy Culture Shows up in our Families + Practices for How We Can Dismantle It written by AMANDA K GROSS



https://mistresssyndrome.com/2021/10/18/how-white-supremacy-culture-shows-up-in-our-families-practices-for-how-we-can-dismantle-it/

## Asheville's 'historic' reparations resolution is not what it seems



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