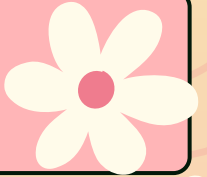


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WELCOME TO SPRING!

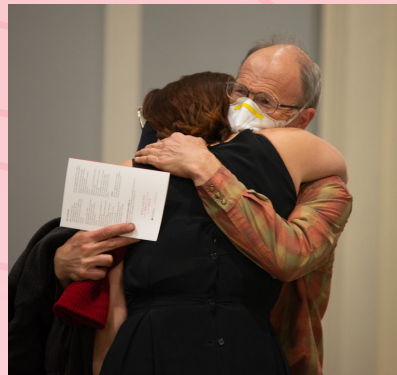
Hi! Welcome to **SRL's 6th newsletter!** In this issue, we've got one more round of events, highlights, and recaps to finish off the year.



BACCALAUREATE!

Saturday, May 20th — 5:00pm at Cone Chapel

Baccalaureate at Willamette is a ceremony of communal reflection, acknowledgement, and celebration **planned by senior students, supported by the university chaplain.** Honoring the collective culmination of memories at Willamette, it is created to be **inclusive** so that all students and families **feel welcomed, engaged, and connected!** All graduating seniors are invited to participate in the Baccalaureate ceremony. **Spiritual or religious affiliation is not required** to attend as the primary goal is to show thanks to the graduates' teachers, family, and other influential parties. Each graduate who takes part will receive a unique Baccalaureate honor cord! **Here is a peek at last year's ceremony.**



The Office of Spiritual and Religious Life presents:

**WHEN GOD LET ME DOWN,
I FOUND THE TREES:**

QUEER NATURE/ANIMIST TALK

QUEER INNER CARE

Guest Speaker:
Wren Ganin-Pinto
(they/them/theirs)

APRIL 26
PORTLAND CAMPUS
12:30 PM
ROOM 518

APRIL 27 SALEM
CAMPUS: 11:30 AM IN
MONTAG DEN



QIC

Queer Inner Care

nourishing the flourishing of
hearts and souls




QIC: QUEER INNER CARE!

Queer Inner Care is a new program designed for those who identify as Queer/LGBTQIA+ to receive inner care toward a balanced and healthy spirituality. Our first session featured our very own **Tommy Van Cleave**, who shared his personal story of navigating spirituality and soul care, and held space for conversation with those students present. **Kate West**, who attended the event, said that "the event was really great and that she was so happy to be a part of it!" She went on to mention that QIC is an important community space to have on Willamette campuses. The launch preceded sessions at **PNCA** and on the **WU main campus**. These sessions featured special guest **Wren Ganin-Pinto**, who describes themselves as an "Earth Weaver" and identify as a white, Queer, gender-fluid Jewish animist. Their activities focused on Queer Nature and Animist Talk and included hands-on engagement with nature. See flyer at left.

CAMPUS, COMMUNITY, COSMOS



CONVO **IDS-202**



STUDENTS WILL RESEARCH ISSUES THAT ACADEMIA CAN AND SHOULD ADDRESS AND INVITE PUBLIC INTELLECTUALS AND ARTISTS WHO CAN SPEAK TO AN EDUCATED GENERAL AUDIENCE OF STUDENTS, FACULTY, STAFF AND LOCAL COMMUNITY MEMBERS. CONVO EVENTS MAY ALSO ADDRESS TOPICS AND ACTIVITIES OF SELF-CARE SIGN UP!

INSTRUCTOR: INEDA PEARL ADESANYA
UNIVERSITY CHAPLAIN

THURSDAY FROM 11:30 - 12:30
ADDITIONAL ONE-HOUR OF CLASS TIME TBD

SIGN UP FOR IDS-202 & REL-299!

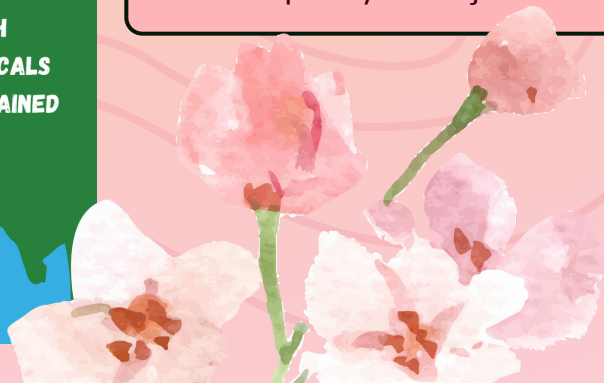
[IDS-202] If you are interested, sign up for the Convocation class **IDS-202! Campus, Community, Cosmos, led by Chaplain Ineda**, which is an action and reflection seminar where students will work to research topics and issues that academia can and should address. Students will research issues that academia can and should address and invite to the University Convocation public intellectuals and artists who can speak to an educated general audience of students, faculty, staff and local citizens. Sign up if you are interested!

[REL 299] Religious majors and minors, or anybody who is interested in religious studies, join **REL-299!** Titled **Radical Religion**, this class will explore the Role of Spirituality and Contemplation in Radical Activism, as it gleans insight from the 16th century radical Protestant reformers towards more effective and sustained change in contemporary social justice movements.

RADICAL RELIGION **RADICAL ACTIVISM** **REL-299**

STUDENTS IN THIS COURSE WILL CONSIDER THE ROLE OF SPIRITUALITY AND CONTEMPLATION IN RADICAL ACTIVISM AND GLEAN INSIGHT FROM THE 16TH CENTURY RADICAL REFORMERS AND OTHER RADICALS IN HISTORY TOWARDS MORE EFFECTIVE AND SUSTAINED CHANGE IN CONTEMPORARY SOCIAL JUSTICE MOVEMENTS.

INSTRUCTOR: INEDA PEARL ADESANYA
UNIVERSITY CHAPLAIN
MONDAYS 1:10P TO 4:10P
EATON HALL: ROOM TBD

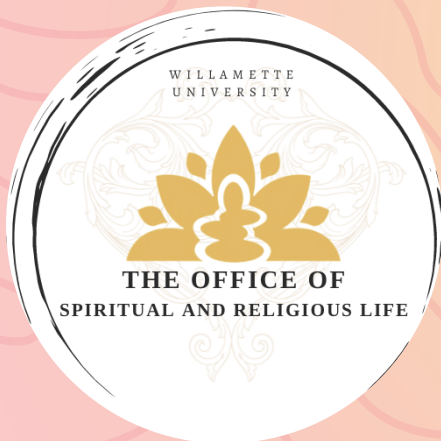


HOMELESS EPIDEMIC: PART THREE

The Homeless Epidemic: Part Three was a success! Led by **Madonna Jonhera**, students gathered to hear from local program manager, **Kaela Lombardi of ARCHES**. Lombardi provided statistics and education around resources available to the unhoused Salem community. Afterward, students assembled **care packages** to be distributed to our houseless neighbors. These packages consisted of a variety of snacks, water, and socks!



SIGN UP FOR OUR
MAILING LIST!



HAPPY SUMMER BREAK!

We wish everyone a great summer break!

Last day to apply for the Lear Summer Service Internship is **June 2nd**. Apply on Handshake!

Chaplain Ineda will be available throughout the summer if you should need emotional, moral, or spiritual support.
<chaplain>

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APRIL HOLIDAYS

MAHAVIRA JAYANTI (4/4)

PESACH (4/5-4/13)

JUM' AT AL-WADA (4/14)

PASCHA (ORTHODOX

EASTER) (4/16)

LAYLAT AL-QADR (4/16-4/17)

THE FESTIVAL OF RIDVAN

(4/21-5/2)

EID AL-FITR (4/21)

AKSHYHA-TRITYA (4/22)

DIVERSITY OF LOSS GRIEF

GROUPS to continue in Fall

Sign up for grief groups! The group is called **Diversity of Loss: The Journeys of Grief**, which focuses on social support for those who are grieving, in a group setting: a chance to digest and understand the raw emotions that come when we are faced with significant yet varied losses. The group is lead by **Maegan Brooks**, a professor at WU who specializes in grief. She quotes that "the Diversity of Loss grief groups are **wonderfully supportive spaces** to more deeply understand how loss affects all of our lives. Our groups also explore **how we can care for ourselves and others** in the midst of loss." Our last session will be **May 8th in Meditation Room in the SRL Office from 5-6 PM**. We will continue Grief Groups in the fall semester, so look out for sign ups in August!