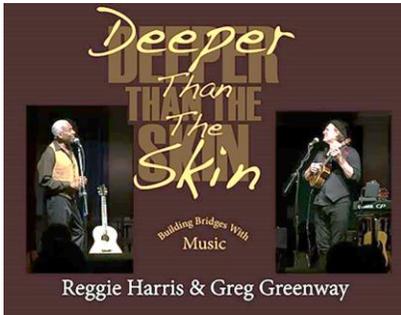


**Northern New England District
Spring Assembly and Annual Meeting
April 13-14, 2018 ~ Nashua, NH, UU Church
Excellent Programming for All**

Friday, April 13, 7:00pm: Worship, “Deeper Than The Skin” with Reggie Harris and Greg Greenway



Reggie and Greg have a unique story. Born three days apart, ancestry flowing through the same portal of history, Richmond, VA. They are on a pilgrimage together - one that began three decades ago. The racial divisions that are the reality of America started them in two different worlds, but the amazing bonds of music, mutual respect, sheer admiration and shared vision have brought them together as friends and colleagues.

Their stories together form the quintessential American story. The music that flowed from these experiences is powered by unadorned truth, raw and riveting, beautiful and uplifting. Echoing Gandhi, they believe that in telling our truths, we are able to rise up from the past and build bridges to each other and the future. They will tell their truths and lead us in song that lifts up the spirit within each of us.

Friday, 8:15pm: “Should We Dissolve Our Northern New England District of the UUA?”

Join members of our NNED Board to learn why they think dissolution of our NNED District is something that all our congregations in Maine, New Hampshire and Vermont need to consider carefully. Hear how they plan to include all of us in the conversation, and offer your suggestions for how to proceed on this important path to a resolution that will help our congregations to thrive in the 21st century.

Also at 8:15: **Wine, munchies, & conversation.**

Meet other UUs from our Northern New England Congregations.

Saturday, April 14, 9:00am: Worship with Rev. Dr. Leon Dunkley and Rev. Paul Sawyer



Leon is our minister at North Universalist Chapel in Woodstock, Vermont. A lifelong UU, Leon learned about the sweetness of life, about compassion, peace and possibility in his childhood church in Lindcroft, NJ. He is an accomplished musician, guitar player, and drummer of traditions from Ghana, Zaire, Senegal, Java, and Bali. He also loves Bluegrass and African American and jazz traditions. Paul is a New Hampshire native, and our minister at First Universalist Church in Hartland Four Corners, Vermont.



Another gifted musician, Paul also has significant experience in behavioral counseling, in wilderness guiding, ropes courses, and teambuilding. Emily Jaworski from Plymouth, NH, and Jed Holland from the Nashua church will be backing up Leon and Paul for this deeply spiritual and moving worship experience.

Saturday, April 14, 10:00am-3:00pm “Dismantling White Supremacy and Building Liberation as Unitarian Universalists,” With Aisha Hauser and Liz Loeb



Aisha and Liz are a nationally recognized multi-racial and mixed identity team offering over 30 years of shared experience in liberation and justice work. In their presentation and workshops, Liz and Aisha will lead us in understanding our inherited and internalized biases that tell us some groups of people are safer, better, and more deserving than others. In a supportive and thoughtful environment, Aisha and Liz will help us work together to ask how we might better



practice our faith by moving toward collective liberation and shared interdependence. Aisha and Liz are with us as representatives of BLUU, “Black Lives Matter UU,” to which we voted to give \$100,000 outright last year at the annual meeting, and another \$100,000 to match gifts to BLUU from our congregations.

Saturday, 3:00pm, Northern New England District Annual Meeting

Make sure your congregation has all the delegates allowed by UUA bylaws, and vote on the business of the meeting. Know what’s happening in our District, now, and in the year to come. Learn how our gift of \$100,000 has already helped BLUU with this crucial work we all need to do in a broken and hurting world.

For more information click here: <https://www.uua.org/new-england/districts/northern-new-england-district>, and scroll down for details, registration, fees, and scholarships. Late application: No worries, email our District Office to see whether you can still register for this amazing gathering: nnedadmin@comcast.net.

<https://nnedspringassembly-annualmeeting2018.eventbrite.com>



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