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March 2021

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Here!



### *Souls a' Fire 7*

**An ONLINE  
National  
Gathering  
on  
Black  
Queer  
Theology!**

**13 - 14 March  
2021**

Register Now at [soulsafire.org](https://soulsafire.org) !

Join the CLGS African American Roundtable as we celebrate our 7th biennial *Souls a' Fire 7* gathering on Black Queer Theology and Ministry.

Register [here](#) for this ONLINE conference!

**13– 14 March 2021**

## Our Tuesday, 9 March 2021 CLGS Lavender Lunch!

### **Queer Palestinian Solidarity:** An ONLINE Lavender Lunch with **Tarek Abuata**

CLGS and the newly-formed **Palestine Solidarity Round Table** (PSRT) at Pacific School of Religion are honored and excited to co-host this Lavender Lunch on the topic of Queer Palestine Solidarity. Join us in conversation and dialogue with guest speaker **Tarek Abuata** as PSRT and CLGS create space for Palestinian voices to be heard in and through our community — and beyond!



Click [here](#) to register for this ONLINE Lavender Lunch, taking place at **12:15pm (Pacific Time) on Tuesday, 9 March 2021!**



Click here to view a video recording of this event!

### **Queer Ecologies & Climate Justice: A Lavender Lunch with Deseree Fontenot**

**Deseree Fontenot**, a collective member of *Movement Generation: Justice and Ecology Project* and co-founder of the *Queer EcoJustice Project*, speaks on the many ways in which ecological justice and queer liberation intersect.

*Recorded on Tuesday, 23 February 2021*

## The CLGS Jewish Roundtable Presents



A CLGS Jewish Queeries Series Event!

## Wild Visionary: Maurice Sendak in Queer Jewish Context

with Prof. Golan Moskowitz

Thursday, 11 March 2021

@1pm (Pacific Time) – ONLINE



[Click here to join this Thursday, 11 March 2021 event via Zoom!](#)



### Communities of Faith and Justice

A CLGS Queer & Latinx Faith Conversation with  
**Revs. Liz Muñoz, Altagracia Pérez-Bullard,  
and Daniel Vélez-Rivera**

Wednesday, **17 March 2021**  
**2pm** (Pacific Time) | ONLINE

[Click here to join this Wednesday, 17 March 2021 event via Zoom!](#)

### Our Tuesday, 30 March 2021 CLGS Lavender Lunch!



#### Beefcake Theology: The Formation of Gay Male Spiritual Discourse in Midcentury Softcore Pornography

An ONLINE Lavender Lunch with **Richard Lindsay**

Scholar **Richard Lindsay** will discuss beefcake magazines (softcore gay male pornography) from the 1950s and 1960s that served as a site for erotic exploration and development of a nascent gay community. Of particular focus will be the creation of queer spirituality based on popular Greco-Roman themes in the magazines, as well as the contributions to a theology of embodiment by queer clergy like Reverend Robert Wood, who published short essays in the beefcake magazine Grecian Guild Pictorial.

Click [here](#) to register for this ONLINE Lavender Lunch, taking place at **12:15pm (Pacific Time) on Tuesday, 30 March 2021!**

[Click here to join this Tuesday, 30 March Lavender Lunch via Zoom!](#)



The 14th Annual CLGS John E. Boswell Lecture

Lama Rod Owens

## *Love and Rage: The Path to Liberation*

Thursday, 15 April 2021 @ 6:30pm (Pacific Time)



**Click [HERE](#) to register for this ONLINE event!**

### Check Out Some of Our Educational Resources!

#### **52 Ways To Increase Your Welcome of LGBTQ+ People and Our Families**

During our 20th Anniversary Year we are reprising — and significantly updating! — our popular weekly blog **52 Ways to Expand Your Welcome to LGBTQ+ People and Our Families**.

Every week we post suggestions on how your faith community can become more welcoming to — and inclusive of — LGBTQ+ People and Our Families!



**[View the 52 Ways Series Here!](#)**



#### **It's OK Not to Be OK An Affirming Shin Buddhist Spirituality with Rev. Blayne Higa**

In this recorded CLGS Lavender Lunch from 9 February 2021, the **Rev. Blayne Higa** discusses how the inclusive and affirming spirituality of **Shin Buddhism** serves as the foundation for his life and ministry. Within the universal embrace of boundless wisdom and compassion how does understanding our imperfections help cultivate gratitude, acceptance, and resilience?

**[Click here to view a video recording of this event!](#)**

### CLGS: Shaping A New Public Discourse On Religion, Gender, and Sexuality

Your financial support makes it possible for us to offer innovative programming that explores and supports LGBTQ people of faith, our families, and our spiritual communities. Together we are shaping a new and progressive public discourse on religion, gender, and sexuality.

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