

#### Prescott Unitarian Universalist Fellowship 945 Rancho Vista Dr., Prescott, AZ 86303 928-778-6672

<b>Nov 5</b> Sunday 11 am	<ul> <li>Ecowomanism: What is it? What Can It Do For Us? We will experience a portion of a Webinar from Boston College presented by Melanie Harris, author of the book <i>"Ecowomanism"</i> which was the common read for UU's in 2018 -2019.</li> <li>Coordinator is Glenna Hudson. Music provided by the Robertson Sisters.</li> </ul>	
Nov 12 Sunday 11 am	Join us for a program with legal educator and analyst, <b>Richard</b> <b>Shugrue</b> . He will update us on the Supreme Court and what we might expect this coming year. Coordinator: Eunice Ricklefs.	
<b>Nov 19</b> Sunday 11 am	<ul> <li>Duties of the Heart: Insights from the Jewish Mussar Tradition</li> <li>Are humans inherently evil or good? Judaism says "both"! This daily mindfulness practice has us choosing to refine inner "character traits" to become better peopleand help the world.</li> <li>Rabbi Nina Perlmutter returns to speak at PUUF and provides us</li> </ul>	
<b>Nov 26</b> Sunday 11 am	with one of her insightful talks. Coordinator: Glenna Hudson. TBA	

Programs are held in-person at the Fellowship unless otherwise stated.

#### **Caring Network**

If you have any needs, such as shopping, running errands, transportation needs, or other help, or if you just need to talk with someone, please call someone from the Caring Network.

Eunice Ricklefs at 928-771-9559 Jean Owen at 928-778-3784 Marion Pack at 928-642-6788 Bev Worthman at 928-710-3425

#### **PUUF Facilities Available**

PUUF facilities are available for use for small gatherings. Refer to the PUUF web site for rental information.

**Board of Trustees meeting** will be on November 5, 2023, after the PUUF service at approximately 1230pm.

<b>PUUF (go to) POINT PERSONS</b>		
Archives/Library: Vacant	Membership: Glenna Hudson	
Building Maintenance: Dale Hudson	Music: Glenna Hudson	
Grounds Maintenance: Al Schober	<b>Caring Committee:</b> <i>Vacant</i>	
<b>Programs:</b> Eunice Ricklefs	Social Action: Vacant	
Facilities Schedule: Mark Mathewson	<b>UUSC:</b> Eunice Ricklefs	
Website: Mark Mathewson	PAWS/PASS: Eunice Ricklefs	
Coming Up @ PUUF: Mark Mathewson	Newsletter: Sue Tone	
Hospitality: Debra Mathewson		

We have openings for "Point Person" positions if you are interested please contact a board member, thank you.



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#### Inanna

Third Road Theater presented "Inanna's Descent Into The Underworld" for the public at PUUF on Friday October 27 and Saturday October 28 evenings. The program was written, composed, directed and narrated by Meg Bohrman.

This year's performance was exceptionally well done and was performed by the largest cast yet. There were nearly 20 cast members,

including three musicians, six choir personnel, and lighting and projection professionals. The audience filled PUUF to capacity with over 40 people on Friday night and 50 people on Saturday night.

The performers said very few words; their movements and expressions told the story.



Luna Rose Lupkey played Inanna and her sister, Ereshkigal, was played by Morgana Raven Wolf. Bonnie Miller, Thomas Lupkey, Thomas Paul Radtke and Thatcher Bohrman all performed several character parts.



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## **PUUF ACTIVITIES** Vice President's Letter



The month of October ended with the first frost and the final changing colors of leaves before they drop. We are heading into the season of rest in preparation for spring renewal, although that feels a long ways away yet.

November begins with a celebration of Dia de los Muertos on Nov. 1 and 2 to commemorate departed loved ones and ensure they are not

forgotten. This 3,000-year-old celebration started in presentday Mexico. It is filled with music, dancing, sugar skulls, marigolds and butterflies. Monarch butterflies migrate back to Mexico, where Dia de los Muertos originated, for the winter, arriving Nov. 1. According to Smithsonian magazine, they are believed to hold the spirits of the departed.



Similarly, the Catholic calendar sets aside Nov. 1 as All Saints Day, celebrating saints as well as departed children. Nov. 2, All Souls Day, honors adults who have passed. The ancient Celtic festival of Samhain, traced back 2,000 years ago, predating the 1,000-year-old Catholic All Hallows Eve. Present-day Halloween, celebrated Oct. 31, follows the tradition of Samhain by wearing costumes to ward off ghosts.

Regardless of how one spends the last day of October or the first two days of November, honoring our departed loved ones are a part of celebrating the cycle of life.  $\mathcal{T}$ 

Sue Tone



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The play was based on myths written down in cuneiform script on clay tablets in ancient Sumer around 5000 years ago. It has been pieced together and translated by international scholars. The story lays bare the suffering we undergo when we heal our personal and collective trauma.

It has been a privilege for PUUF to provide a venue for this excellent play and such a talented group of performers.







### Annual Congregational Meeting - Dec 10

The Annual Congregational Meeting takes place Sunday, Dec. 10, at 11 a.m. as part of our Sunday Service. Whether or not you find the "business" of the behind-the-scenes operations of PUUF exciting or barely interesting, you won't want to miss the other part of the service. In honor of Melvin Hill's practice of bringing laughter to our members and guests, we are putting out a call to all of you to share your best jokes, puns, chuckles and guffaws.

Here's a "groaner" to start the ball rolling: You can't laugh loudly in Hawaii. You have to keep it to a low ha.

Back to the business portion...the congregation will vote on two Board of Trustees, one Nomination Committee, and one Audit Committee members. Additional votes will be for approval of the 2024 Budget and necessary withdrawals from the Endowment Fund to support operations.

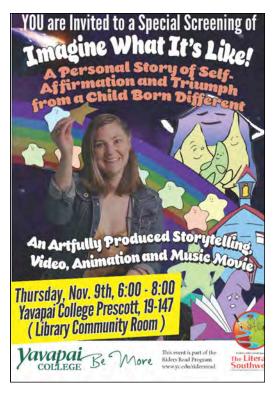


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### Remember Taya?

Meg and Thatcher Bohrman shared their latest video project with PUUF on Sept. 3 and then traveled north to Vancouver in October for its official premiere.

Now is your chance to see the entire 30-minute video at Yavapai College on Thursday, Nov. 9.



Jane Reti Speaker Series Yavapai College and Osher Lifelong Learning Institute Live with Courage: Living Fearlessly and Achieving Your Best Life

When: Saturday, November 4th, from 10:00 AM to Noon

Where: Yavapai College Library Community Room (Bldg. 19, Room 147)

"Live with Courage" explores human resilience and empowers you to break free from self-imposed limits. Presenter Leslie Zann helps you tap into your limitless potential and gain confidence to overcome fears and take action. Discover how to challenge limiting beliefs and replace them with empowering ones that fuel your inner courage. Learn about resilience, unshakable confidence, and how to confront life challenges.

Leslie's command of the stage, range of knowledge, and quick wit has her audiences listening with rapt attention. Leslie doesn't stop at inspiring you. Leslie takes you all the way up to what she calls "Outrageous Achievement." You are given the confidence, the courage, and the drive to succeed.

To find out more and to register for this free event, visit <u>http://www.yc.edu/reti</u> or call 928-717-7634.

## **PUUF** Community Garden

Although the PUUF Community Garden will stand fallow for the next few months, the Garden Committee – and anyone interested in putting in their two cents' worth – will be discussing what to plant in which beds, soil preparation and amendments, and perhaps staggering planting times for continuous harvests.



# **PUUF PROGRAM RECAP**

#### October 1

PUUF and Granite Peak UUC shared a joint service with Rev. Patty Willis sharing the story of Etty Hillesum (1914-1943) through Hillesum's diaries left behind after her death in the Auschwitz-Birkenau concentration camp. The soulful and energetic music of the Flagstaff Klezmer Orkestra brought people to their feet clapping and dancing in the aisles.





### October 8

Kelly Paradis with Good Samaritan Society spoke ahead of World Hospice and Palliative Care Day celebrated on Oct. 14, imparting her knowledge and experience in helping clients and their families live fully in their final days. Musician Morgana Cooper sang and played piano, ending the service with the first movement of Beethoven's Moonlight Sonata.





# **PUUF Program Recap**

### October 15

The Blessing of the Animals took place at this Sunday's service. Although the pony wasn't able to join us, nor the guest speaker, Glenna Hudson carried the day with her readings, meditation, and blessing of the animals. Adrienne Bridgewater provided animal inspired music on her harp.



#### October 22

"We Welcome All" was the topic of Sue Tone's recent trip to Canada. She shared her stories and photos that included presentations by Canadian indigenous people, and fourth generation Punjabi cherry orchard family; and also visits to Dr. Sun Yat-Sen Classical Chinese Gardens, Kamloops Residential Indian School, museums, and a great many beautiful lakes and glorious scenery of the Canadian Rockies. Mark Mathewson played popular music of Canadian musicians.







# **PUUF PROGRAM RECAP**

### October 29

Meg Bohrman and several of the performers of the Third Road Theater presented an abbreviated version of "Inanna's Descent Into the Underworld" for the PUUF congregation. Luna Rose Lupkey (Ianna), Morgana Raven Wolf (Ereshkigal), and Thomas Lupkey (Neti-Neti) also spoke about their experiences and journey in the production of the program and how it has touched their lives. Meg discussed how the play follows the process people go through when healing themselves from trauma in their lives.

This is the third year that the Third Road Theater has presented this play at PUUF. Unfortunately the number of attendees has outgrown our small facility and they are looking for another venue. We will miss them. If you know of small theaters that they can use, please contact Meg or Thatcher.



