showcasing social justice art from the Tufts community. All are welcome.

Artistic expression can be a mechanism to generate action. Artists Aysha Upchurch and Krystle Brown will discuss the power of art in social justice. The event will be held on Thursday, April 15, at 6:00 p.m. ET.

The Tufts Environmental Studies department is hosting former Minister of Agriculture and Forests of the Royal Government of Nepal, Dr. Rampuram Upadhyay, to discuss the need to continue to live with nature into the 21st century. The event will take place on Thursday, April 15, at 6:00 p.m. ET.

Join Tufts Hillel for the Susan J. Feigenbaum, J76 Lecture, "The Healing Gaze" with Professor Melila Hellner-Eshed. The lecture will explore the themes of transformation and healing through the lens of interfaith dialogue. The event will be held on Thursday, April 15, at 6:00 p.m. ET.

Tufts MSA's Ramadan Resource List is available. Click here to access the list and learn about the creation of the Khalsa (the “Brotherhood of the Pure”) in 1699 by Guru Gobind Singh. These events are drawn from the multifaith calendar maintained by the Office of Religious and Spiritual Life at Harvard Divinity School.

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On Wednesday, April 21, celebrate the opening of the “Many Voices: A Community Display of Grief, Hope, and Action” with the Tufts University Chaplaincy. Stop by the Academic Quad outside Goddard Chapel for a locally sourced rainforest meal. This meal is a reflection of the Cosmopolitan Center’s commitment to sustainable and healthy eating.

The images of submissions from the Tufts community, near and far.

Celebrates the birthday of Lord Mahavira. Born with the name Vardhamana in ca. 599 BCE, he was later given the name Mahavira, which means “Great Hero.” Mahavir Jayanti is observed on the 15th day of the Hindu month of Shrawan.

Vaisakhi celebrates the harvest of the spring wheat crop in Punjabi communities of India, Pakistan, and other parts of the world. It is also a significant religious day for Sikhs, marking the founding of the Khalsa, a group of initiated followers of Guru Gobind Singh. Vaisakhi is observed on the 14th day of Baisakh.

Harvest. In some churches, Palm Sunday is combined with the anticipation of Christ’s death and so is also known as Holy Week. The week is marked by various activities, including processions with palm leaves, lenten reading, and prayer.

In some churches, Pascha is observed as the day of Christ’s resurrection. It is a time of celebration, joy, and new life. In other churches, Pascha is observed on Easter Sunday. The event is designed to allow students to engage with their faith and traditions, and people of all religious and philosophical backgrounds are welcome.

April is a month of reflection and toilets, as it is the time for Muslims around the world to begin their journey into the sacred month of Ramadan. I wish everyone a healthy and joyful Ramadan. May this Ramadan be a time of reflection, introspection, and growth.

I pray we all have a Ramadan Mubarak. Amen!

Additional energy to refocus on introspective inquiry and analysis, fortifying healthy qualities, and strengthening the capacity for empathy and compassion. Honest introspection is never without difficulty. But, as Prophet Muhammad (peace be upon him) said, “Be a shade for others.”

Two weeks ago, I participated in a panel at the American Learning Institute for Muslims Summer Program 2021. I was fortunate to be able to speak with the group about the importance of interfaith dialogue and the role of faith in our lives. The discussion was focused on the unique reality of the Muslim American experience and the importance of understanding one another.

The panel was titled “The Healing Gaze: Luminosity & Vitality in Face-to-Face Encounters” and was hosted by Professor Melila Hellner-Eshed. The event was designed to provide a space for people of different faiths to come together and engage in meaningful conversation about interfaith dialogue.

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Guided by the tenants of interfaith activism and the experiences of different expert voices, this workshop will provide participants with the tools and resources to facilitate meaningful conversations about religion in a variety of settings. The workshop will take place on Saturday, April 24, from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. ET.

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To learn more about the work of the Institute of Interfaith Youth Core (IFYC), please visit their website.

Next Amar Chitra Katha Reading Group with the Hindu Student Council

Friday, April 23, 6:00 p.m - 7:00 p.m. ET

Amar Chitra Katha (ACK) is an Indian publisher of graphic novels based on biographies, religious figures and historical events.

I would be delighted to speak further about the topic of religious diversity and how to leverage that diversity for the betterment of our communities. I am always available to engage in dynamic discussion.

The Islamic Foundation of North America (IFNA) is a community-based, non-profit organization serving the Islamic community in the United States. IFNA provides educational, cultural, and social programs that promote the values of Islam.

The event is designed to allow students to engage with their faith and traditions, and people of all religious and philosophical backgrounds are welcome.

May we all have a Ramadan Mubarak. Amen!

Thank you for your generous support of our ongoing efforts to provide a safe and welcoming space for everyone.

Elyse Nelson Winger