World Sikh Day

This day celebrates Gobind Singh Ji’s passing on guruship to Scripture, henceforth known as the Guru Granth Sahib. The birthday of the Prophet Muhammad. Begins at sundown.

Tuesday, October 12 – Saturday, October 16, 2021

Ghambar Ayathrem

The University Chaplaincy is a dynamic hub supporting religious, spiritual, ethical, and cultural life for all members of the Tufts community. We work to nurture and offer meaningful opportunities for reflection, connection, and bridges to interfaith understanding. 

The Tufts Healthy Herd is an undergraduate student group dedicated to creating engaging and educational content around mental health and wellness. The Healthy Herd will be employed for the 2021-2022 Academic year starting immediately and lasting until May 16. There are two positions open: 1) Coordinator of Social Media and 2) Coordinator of Programming. These positions are open to both work study and non-work study eligible students. The Coordinator of Social Media will assist in the planning and execution of all Healthy Herd social media platforms. The Coordinator of Programming will manage and coordinate Healthy Herd programming that includes promoting healthy habits, reducing stress, and being a resource to the Tufts community. The Coordinator of Programming will be an active member of the Community Mental Health Services (CMHS) team and will be advised by Tim Jordan, the Assistant Director of Community Mental Health Services. This position requires strong written and verbal communication skills, organizational abilities, and a strong commitment to improving the mental health environment at Tufts.

Wednesday, October 13, 12:00 p.m. – 1:00 p.m., in-person and virtual

Advisor Preeta Banerjee every other Friday this semester for conversation and learning; no prior knowledge is necessary. Others where we can discuss and question what we read and consider applications for day-to-day life. Join Hindu Chaplain Debrah Freshwater and other students each Friday for this session. Email her to reach out to her if you have any questions!

Thursday, October 14, 5:30 p.m., held virtually

Responsibilities of Power: A Conversation with Peter Banerjee

Join the Center for the Humanities at Tufts (CHAT) and Tisch College for an engaging conversation with Peter Banerjee, assistant professor of political theory and the philosophy of politics at Harvard University. This session will be a part of the CMHS monthly dinner conversations to help support each other in discerning our calls in faith. You are invited to take part in a monthly series of dinner conversations to help support each other in discerning our calls in faith. The questions of discernment and calling can help us explore these important questions through the lens of faith. You are also invited to participate – no formal art training is necessary. The sponsors only ask that you use your art to bring joy, hope, and imagination to your community. Please consider sharing it! We would be very glad to learn from and with you. Please email Protestant Chaplain Rev. Dan Bell with any questions and to RSVP.

Join Catholic Chaplain Lynn Cooper in Goddard Chapel for this week’s Spirituality Hour. This mid-week gathering fosters a sense of community, helps us pray, and nourishes our souls. We will learn and use practices for prayer and reflection. Practices have included praying the psalms, letter writing, collage, deep breathing, contemplation, and imaginative prayer, poetry, Lectio/Visio Divina. Perhaps you have a practice that has been meaningful in your life – let us know and consider sharing! Practices will focus on different projects or themes, or be tailored to you and your needs. The focus this Tuesday is an Interfaith Ambassadors theme, “Wonder, the first section of Valarie Kaur’s book, Wonder and Presence.”

Wednesday, October 13, 7:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Join Bridging Differences Tufts Table, the Office of the Provost, and the University Chaplaincy for an evening on Thursday, October 21, 5:00 p.m. – 6:30 p.m. ET, held virtually

Bridging Differences Tufts Table is an inclusive community of students, who draw inspiration from the interfaith traditions that inform and shape our understandings of justice and community. We partner with and learn from organizations who are fighting for the rights of all, and engage in the civil discourse that is central to social justice. We will host a conversation around the theme of “What’s the most pressing issue you think needs to be addressed right now?”

Sunday, October 17, 5:30 p.m. – 6:30 p.m.

We are excited to host you for a facilitated conversation, planned in large part by our Interfaith Ambassadors. You will have the chance to share your questions and insights as we explore what we mean when we talk about justice and community. Dr. Preeta Banerjee will lead the conversation. The conversation aims to be an open space for students to engage with the concepts related to justice, community, and the current moment. You are encouraged to bring questions you have about these issues, as well as insights you may have.

Call for Art

In celebration of the Hindu month of Ashvin, the months of September/October of the Roman calendar, starting with the veneration of the goddess and night queen of the earth, Durga, the Tufts Interfaith Center seeks proposals for art to be featured in the Tufts Interfaith Hallway from October 25th through November 3rd. The Art Hallway is a space designed to foster inclusivity and community at Tufts University. The theme of the art installation is "Durga and the Heroic Mothers of the World." We are seeking proposals for art installations, performances, and other creative works that explore the significance of the goddess Durga and the heroic mothers of the world in the context of interfaith and community. The installation will feature works that celebrate the power and devotion of Durga and the heroic mothers of the world, and will be open to all members of the Tufts community.

Sign up to visit Shivalaya Temple

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Project Connect

I wish you fruitful reflection, and a blessed awakening.

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Resources, Scholarships and Opportunities

You can register for this event here.

You can find visit details, as well as partner programs, here.

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This Crop of Student Art will be on display, Tuesday through Saturday, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

You can read the full job description and apply here.

You can register to attend here.