

Livingston Listens

A Series of Programs on Inclusion, Representation, and Social Justice

In an increasingly disruptive political and cultural environment, Livingston is a community that is becoming increasingly diverse. This represents a challenge as new communities grow alongside established ones and also an opportunity for our community, as a whole, to come together and talk about how issues that are impacting our country on a large scale are impacting our community and our lives as individual citizens.

Understanding Race in America w/Dr. Khyati Joshi

January 23rd, 7:00PM - 8:30PM

Dr. Khyati Joshi will empower well-intentioned people to stand up to prejudice. While vigils and gatherings are important, what about the everyday racism that isn't addressed? Dr. Joshi's presentation provides a glimpse into strands of lesser-known history, illuminating the role of race in U.S. history. Specifically, how Supreme Court decisions, immigration laws and Jim Crow policies contributed to the development of Whiteness in America and how these historical moments shape our nation.

Understanding Your Child's Racial Identity w/Dr. Khyati Joshi Tuesday, February 27, 7-8:30PM

Dr. Joshi will discuss how to talk to your child about topics related to social justice and diversity. While the focus will be on openly and supportively talking about race, racism and discrimination with children, Dr. Joshi takes an intersectional approach in all of her work, and will also address other social identities. Dr. Joshi will also provide an opportunity for parents to consider their own social identities, and how these identities impact the ways in which they view the world, their parenting practices, and their day-to-day experiences.

Community Book Discussions Blindspots Hidden Biases of Good People

March 15, 7:00-8:00PM

"I know my own mind.

I am able to assess others in a fair and accurate way." These self-perceptions are challenged by leading psychologists as they explore the hidden biases we all carry from a lifetime of exposure to cultural attitudes about age, gender, race, ethnicity, religion, social class, sexuality, disability status, and nationality. Read Blindspot and join us for this book discussion.

#Upstanders Festival: Fierce Flags Fly (Museum of Impact!)

April 27, 3:00 PM - 5:00 PM Best for Grades 6-12

#Upstanders Festival (Museum of Impact!)

April 28, 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM Best for Grades 1-8

Museum of Impact presents #Upstanders Fest, a social justice extravaganza. Make art and build power with a healthy curiosity of understanding activism and the role you can play. Discover avenues to action and express yourself through art making, songs, games and creative crafts. This festival transforms audiences from bystanders to Upstanders through a variety of activities to enhance equity and creative expression. These #Upstanders Festivals are presented by the Museum of Impact!

The Missing Stories (South Asian American Digital Archive [SAADA]) Saturday, May 12 3:00 PM - 4:30 PM

In 1883, Anandibai Joshee, a young woman from a small city in western India arrived in Roselle, NJ. She arrived with a purpose and eventually became the first South Asian woman in the world with a degree in western medicine. South Asians have been a presence in the US for more than 130 years, but their stories are mostly unknown. Participants will engage in an interactive discussion about underrepresented populations, specifically examining South Asians, and how sharing community stories can help create a more inclusive future. This program is presented by the South Asian American Digital Archive (SAADA) and funded by the NJ Council for the Humanities' Public Scholars Program.

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