



Southeast Unitarian Universalist Summer Institute

## Winter NUUS

July 18 - 24, 2010 Radford, VA

### Beyond Tomorrow



We're constantly reminded to live in the day, but there's nothing wrong with looking forward to tomorrow—and the days

after. If you're longing for the third week of July, when the world feels at peace and time seems to stand still, hang in there: SUUSI is just around the corner.

The SUUSI staff has great plans for 2010—workshops, youth programming, nature trips, nightlife, worship—all in idyllic Radford, Virginia. Your catalog will be on its way in a matter of weeks. And don't forget about SOLIS—your chance to register online and save 20 bucks. (That's at [solis.suusi.org](http://solis.suusi.org).)

So forget the advice to live in the moment. For just a while, look beyond winter into summer and SUUSI!

### New to SUUSI?

No worries. At one time or another everyone went through the rites of passage as a newbie to SUUSI. Thankfully, all the veteran attendees make the transition easy—welcoming you and pointing you in the right direction. Contact our newcomer coordinator at [firstname@suusi.org](mailto:firstname@suusi.org).

### Important Dates

#### Early April

Start registration when your catalog arrives

#### April 19

SUUSIship application deadline

#### May 8

Staff registration deadline

#### May 15

Registration deadline for groups wishing to house together  
Registration deadline to receive \$50 per person discount

#### June 20

Registration deadline to receive \$25 per person discount

#### July 18-24

SUUSI 2010! See you in Radford!

### Lend a Hand

Make the most of your SUUSI experience by volunteering. A wide variety of activities and events simply do not come together without help from the SUUSI community. You can volunteer in advance when you register and more informally during the week. Direct your questions to our volunteer coordinator at [volunteers@suusi.org](mailto:volunteers@suusi.org).

### Help Keep Us in the Know

To make sure you don't miss any SUUSI information, please update your information on the SOLIS system.

Go to [solis.suusi.org](http://solis.suusi.org) to log in. Then click the "My Account" link at the top of the page to update your information. Be sure to click "Update" at the bottom to save your changes.

# Spiritual Life

Thought-provoking and moving speakers encourage us to think beyond tomorrow. The day starts with inspiring morning theme talks and ends with centering evening worship services. SUUSI's rich spiritual life offers something for everyone.



## Morning Theme Talks

Dr. Sharon Welch

(Provost, Meadville/Lombard Theological School)  
*Engaged Spirituality and Pragmatism*

Rev. Bill Gupton

(Heritage Universalist Unitarian Church,  
Cincinnati, OH)  
*Stewards of a Sacred Place*

Janice Marie Johnson

(Director for Racial and Ethnic Concerns for the  
Unitarian Universalist Association of Congregations)  
*Once Upon a Time: New Stories for Times  
Beyond Tomorrow*

Rev. Alice Anacheke-Nasemann

(Unitarian Church of  
Marlborough and Hudson, MA)  
*Developing the Faith of  
Tomorrow*

Rev. Aaron Payson

(Unitarian Universalist Church  
of Worcester, MA)  
*What's So Radical About  
Hospitality?*



## Evening Worship

Rev. Meg Barnhouse and Kiya Heartwood  
(UU Congregation of Princeton, NJ)  
*Gaia Psalms*

Rev. Hope Johnson

(UU Congregation of Central Nassau, Garden City, NY)  
*Great Expectations*

Revs. Anya and Scott Sammler-Michael

(Unitarian Universalists of Sterling, VA and Accotink UU  
Church, Burke, VA)  
*Heretics, Rebels and Outsiders*

Rev. Dr. Michael Tino and Friends

(UU Fellowship of Northern Westchester, Kisco, NY)  
*Yesterday, Today and  
Tomorrow*

Rev. Margie Allen

(Wilton, CN)  
*U R Here (Earth-Centered  
Worship)*

## SUUSIships

SUUSIships are financial assistance grants awarded to individuals and families who want to come to SUUSI but are experiencing a difficult financial situation. SUUSIships are need-based awards that defray the costs of registration, room and board (but not travel, workshops or AC). Each award requires a work/service commitment. If you would like to be considered for a SUUSIship, please submit your application as early as possible. *Please note that applications are due on April 19.* For information, to make a donation or to request an application, e-mail [suusiships@suusi.org](mailto:suusiships@suusi.org).

Can you tickle the ivories?

SUUSIBoyz seeks a pianist for rehearsals during SUUSI. Some staff credit available. Email [alxzba@embarqmail.com](mailto:alxzba@embarqmail.com) for details.



## Concert Hour

Concert Hour at SUUSI is always a magical time. You never know how your life might be changed by a word, a song or special onstage moment, and our performers this year bring their own special blend of heart, soul and laughter.

Our Monday night kick-off concert features the amazing Don White (right), the quintessential everyman from Lynn, Massachusetts with a gift for illuminating the human spirit through song. If you can laugh and cry within the same ten minutes, you either need a vacation or you are sitting in the audience at a Don White show.



Gracing us with his presence on Tuesday night is the inimitable Reggie Harris (left), captivating storyteller, performer and passionate advocate for peace and justice. His uncrushable, joyful song and spirit has moved audiences from all walks of life.

Wednesday night, we feature the songs of Phil Ochs, an inspirational performer and songwriter from the 60's. Tonight we will get a chance to hear his songs, interpreted by the many SUUSI performers here this week. Our host for the evening is Phil's sister, Sonny (right), who has made it part

of her life's mission, to keep his music alive all across the country.



Missing SUUSI? Stay in touch with the SUUSI community year-round with these online resources:

- SUUSI Friend's e-mail list:  
[www.suusi.org/suusi-friends](http://www.suusi.org/suusi-friends)
- SUUSI Teen's e-mail list:  
[www.suusi.org/suusi-teens](http://www.suusi.org/suusi-teens)
- Young Adults e-mail list:  
[groups.google.com/group/suusiyoungadults](http://groups.google.com/group/suusiyoungadults)
- Median's e-mail list:  
[groups.yahoo.com/group/TheMedianProgram](http://groups.yahoo.com/group/TheMedianProgram)
- Search [www.facebook.com](http://www.facebook.com) for several SUUSI related groups. The official SUUSI fan page can be reached at: [www.suusi.org/facebook](http://www.suusi.org/facebook)
- Follow SUUSI on Twitter:  
[www.twitter.com/suusi](http://www.twitter.com/suusi)
- Flickr: [www.flickr.com/groups/suusi](http://www.flickr.com/groups/suusi)

## School of Rock

The rowdy fans from SUUSI 2009 have demanded an encore! If you were at last year's School of Rock Concert then you know what we mean. The teen and YA participants of the School of Rock workshop (#411) will be on stage with booty-kicking favorites to get everyone banging their heads (in a good way!). Bring your friends, camera and earplugs, and get there early because last year it was standing room only!

## Paper Registrations

This year we will not be printing registration forms in the catalog. We prefer that registrants use SOLIS, but we will still accept paper forms. To register with paper, you must either download them from [www.suusi.org/forms](http://www.suusi.org/forms) (available when the catalog is sent) or request them by calling 804-585-4339.

# Nature Trips



Don't think beyond tomorrow. Seize the day and include at least one Nature trip in your SUUSI week! Activities range from physically easy to challenging, and are scheduled throughout the day from early morning to late evening. There are new adventures for everyone, first timer or veteran, as well as repeats of your favorites from past years.

This year we will offer some new trips that are meant to expand your physical and mental energy. We want to challenge you on the trail, in the water and on the rocks. There is a moratorium in place on caving trips until the cause of the bat disease is pinpointed so that opens up new opportunities in all of our divisions.

Want to visit a winery, meadery or cidery? You can do that with us. Want to learn how GPS fits in with nature? We will teach you. Look for more information about trips that include bird watching, stargazing, exploring the floor of the forest and others.

All journeys start with a single step, so start your connection with nature by hiking the Southern Appalachians during your SUUSI week. We'll guide you through some natural beauty and places for reflection that you'll remember throughout your life. Hiking trips this year also include numerous family friendly trips as well as some longer hikes for the hardy and adventurous.

Continued for 2010 – You asked, and we responded! Childcare will be available, upon request, during designated times for parents and guardians taking nature trips. More details will be included in the spring catalog. We value your comments and make every attempt to adjust our programming accordingly!



In the Radford area, the New River offers SUUSI-participants plenty of aquatic experiences. The New River is one of the most exciting rivers in the southeast. There are calm and moving river sections with breathtaking views second to none, as well as the still waters of Claytor Lake. Check out our canoeing, recreational kayaking, and tubing trips for all ages. Try something new! Learn how to surf and roll a kayak on

the river! From flat-water to whitewater, in canoes, tubes, or recreational kayaks, it's all close to Radford University. If you want to get down and dirty or up high and pretty, this area of southwest Virginia is world-class. The cliffs near the

Radford/Blacksburg area, formed over the eons, offer great rappelling and rock climbing experiences. Want to test your skills under less strenuous conditions? We have trips planned to the rock wall right on the Radford campus. Remember how to ride a bike? You can take a ride along river trails or try a challenging mountain bike trail through some serious single track. We are adding some running events to the calendar this year. From walking to trail running, we will have something for everyone.

Look in your SUUSI 2010 catalogue and the NUUS for further details of these and other opportunities to enjoy nature while you contemplate your course in life "Beyond Tomorrow."

## Ambassadors and Buddies

There are a number of ways you can help build the SUUSI community. Spread the word in your congregation by being a SUUSI ambassador. Visit [www.suusi.org/ambassadors](http://www.suusi.org/ambassadors) for more information. You can also be a friendly face to a nUUbie with our new SUUSI Buddy program. Contact [firsttime@suusi.org](mailto:firsttime@suusi.org) if you are interested.



# Workshops



Sharing Your Spiritual Journey

SUUSI workshops offer a unique opportunity to stretch your experiences and learn something new. From beer tastings to crocheting in the round and from voice empowerment to bridge—the SUUSI workshop staff guarantees something for everyone!

SUUSI Workshops await you. Below is a very small sample of workshops for 2010. You can find a complete list at [www.suusi.org/workshoplist](http://www.suusi.org/workshoplist).

## Religion

- Wisdom of the Bhagavad Gita
- Sacred Devotions
- Sharing Your Spiritual Journey

## Body and Spirit

- Dancing the Goddess Alive
- Morning Yoga
- FUNDamentals of Hoop Dancing
- How to Meditate

## Arts & Crafts

- Off the Loom Bead Weaving
- Crafting with Recycled Paper
- Magical Mosaics
- Oral History: Techniques & Tools

## Music

- Together We Sing!
- Political Music Then and Now
- Women Singing in Sacred Circle
- Playing and Singing the Blues



Welcome, newborns, thirteen year olds and everyone in between, to the SUUSI Youth program! We are the place for fun stuff for kids—and people who like working with kids! We'll be doing outdoor and indoor games, art projects, music, tie-dye, and learning about our Unitarian Universalist Principles. Seven to 13 year olds even get to choose afternoon workshops, which include some adventure opportunities! Youth

workshops will be listed in the spring catalog! © Visit the youth section of the SUUSI website for more information: [www.suusi.org/youth](http://www.suusi.org/youth)

If you are a teen or adult who enjoys working with children, please fill out a staff application on the SUUSI website. We have a lot of fantastic programs planned so we need a lot of energetic staffers!

