

# Workshops at 2026 SCYM

## **Tuesday, March 31, 7:30-8:45PM (Central) ON-LINE**

### **A Homecoming for the Arapaho and Cheyenne: a Quaker reckoning with Indian boarding schools**

**Presenters: Paula Keeth and Paula Palmer**

In October 2025, two Quaker women witnessed the rematriation of 16 Native children who died at Carlisle Indian industrial School to their present tribal land. Seven were sent there by Quaker Indian Agent John D. Miles. We will present our experiences and reflections.

Adults, Teens

*Location: On-Line*

### **The Gift of Our Attention- Listening With Our Whole Being**

**Presenter: Christopher Sammons**

The gift of another's full attention is priceless, helping them to open to deeper self-awareness and spiritual connection. And yet in my work as a chaplain, I found that most people are starved for the experience of being deeply listened to. We will learn and practice the simple yet somewhat difficult discipline of listening with our whole being, experiencing the gift of another's attention and what it can draw out.

Adults, Teens

*Location: On-Line*

## **Friday, April 3, 8:00-9:00PM at Greene Family Camp**

### **Visualizing Palestine**

**Presenter: Pat Hoerth Batchelder**

Mosaic is hosting Visualizing Palestine, a photo exhibit that uses data and research to visually communicate Palestinian experiences to provoke narrative change so that we might envision a liberated future for Palestinians in a world free from oppression. It was created by ASFC and Visualizing Palestine. It is a self-guided exhibit that can be left up the entire weekend.

In Person only; Adults

*Location: Old Dining Room?, then move to 'new' dining room or 'staff lounge'*

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*(Friday, April 3, 8:00-9:00PM at Greene Family Camp Continued)*

**Presenter: Zoe Jannuzi**

**Art & Activism for Palestine with AFSC**

In this hand-on arts and crafts workshop, participants will learn about the work of AFSC's U.S. Palestine Activism Program, with a particular focus on our new downloadable exhibit "Why We Record: Defying Fragmentation & Erasure in Palestine." Participants will reflect on the power of art and storytelling in social change, and leave with their own, hand-made, small-scale model they can use to encourage their community to host the exhibit. By engaging not only the minds of participants, but also their hands, this workshop aims to invite participants into different types of contemplative action and creativity. The workshop will open and close with short presentations about the ways members of SCYM can get involved with AFSC's work on Palestine.

In person only; All ages

*Location: Art Classroom*

**Visitors into Attenders and Attenders into Members**

**Presenter: Jane Houser**

A few year ago, we (Live Oak Friends Meeting) realized that our tried and true curriculum for Quakerism 101 was a bit out of date and did not address the questions being asked. Now we offer a course twice a year usually hybrid. The adapted course helps participants learn about Quakers and Quakerism and how their knowledge helps build on their previous understandings. We also try to tackle a wide variety of misinformation and provide basic information for the "Quaker curious." In this workshop participants can look over the materials we use now and learn how to facilitate the course with some ideas about how to adjust to meet the needs of your meeting

In person only, All ages

Location:

**Presenter: Amanda Moore**

**Discerning Together: Navigating Political Polarization Through Respectful Conversations**

In this session, we will explore political polarization, and then learn Braver Angels' approach to communication and conflict resolution skills for engaging in respectful and productive conversations. As time permits, we will engage in a Courageous Citizens Conversation with Friends-related topics we discern together.

Hybrid; Adults, Teens

Location: TBA

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**Improvisational Dance for All Ages**

**Presenter: Doug Spaeth**

Creative movement and dance to a diversity of prerecorded music for all persons wanting to express themselves with their bodies in joyful, soulful, healthy, and safe ways. Pantomime emotions and get the grief and frustration out of the body with the intention of restoring joy. Dress comfortably for the weather, such as sweats, yoga attire, shorts, skirts, and other loose-fitting clothing, allowing for a wide range of motion. Bring a hand towel or bandanna to wipe your face once you begin to break a sweat!

In person only, All Ages

Location: TBA

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## **Saturday: April 4, 1:30-2:30**

**Presenter: Camp Staff**

### **ROPES Course**

We will use the Greene Family Camp low ropes course, under the guidance of a facilitator hired by GFC. This workshop will be 1.5 hours, on Saturday from 1:00-2:30 (during workshop and community time).

In Person Only, All Ages

*Location: ROPES course*

### **Peacebuilding en las Americas (PLA) - Friends Peace Teams in Action in Times of Uncertainty**

**Presenter: Paula Keeth and on-line AVP facilitators**

Learn about the work of Alternatives to Violence Project (AVP) in Latin America directly from our facilitators in their home countries, including Guatemala and El Salvador.

Hybrid, Adults

### **Friends Couples Enrichment Taste**

**Presenter: Andrew Dembski/ Kirsten Brink**

Brief introduction to Friends Couple Enrichment and to the practice of Couple Dialogue with an example dialogue performed by us.

Hybrid, Adults

Location: TBA

### **Art as Resistance and Coloring Mandalas**

**Presenter: Lois Way**

Drawing small posters that could be used in demonstrations. Also a little history of how artists use art as resistance. Also mandalas as a centering down.

All ages

Location: TBA