

In the Community, March 1, 2023

A Weekly Listing of Diversity and Multicultural Events
From the Alliance for Cultural and Ethnic Harmony:
"Diversity, Unity, and Justice Are at the Heart of ACEH"

ACEH was founded in Holland in 1999 and is committed to justice, equal opportunity, cross-cultural understanding, and appreciation for diversity. Learn more at the ACEH website www.harmonyalliance.org On Facebook, at ACEH – Alliance for Cultural and Ethnic Harmony.

Renew Your Membership or Become a First-Time Member

Dues are \$25 per year (\$40 for 2 years) for an individual; \$35 per year (\$55 for two years) for a couple or family; \$45 for a nonprofit group, and \$80 for a business.

- ---You can renew or join or donate at the ACEH website www.harmonyalliance.org;
- ---or you can send a check to ACEH, c/o Treasurer, P. O. Box 3007, Holland, MI 49422;
- ---or you can join/renew at any ACEH program or social event.

(ACEH is a 501c(3) organization; donations may qualify for a tax deduction.)

Will you renew your ACEH membership or become a first-time member? We need your support in 2023 to publish "In the Community," to expand the scope of our scholarship program, and to continue our advocacy and outreach in the greater Holland community.

Please choose one of the options listed above to renew or join.

A warm ACEH welcome to new member Lisa Kosak, and thank you to Nicole Mosterd for her continuing financial support!

Events

TODAY, Wed, March 1, 5 pm to 7 pm: Celebratory reception for the Women's History Month exhibit The Art of Storytelling. Refreshments, entertainment, honoring winner of the WOCU award, and viewing the art (see description below, in Exhibits). Free. Sponsored by Women of Color United, Kruizenga Art Museum, and Center for Diversity and Inclusion. At Kruizenga Art Museum, 271 Columbia Ave., Holland.

Sat, March 4, 9 am, cooking classes; noon, meal. Real Food Can Connect Us: Dutch cuisine. Family-friendly event to learn to make authentic Dutch food, share a free Dutch meal; enjoy games and music. Hosted by Intersection Ministries with Ottawa Food and Empowering Youth Global Connections. Click HERE to sign up for cooking classes. At Intersection Ministries, 945 136th Ave, Holland.

Mon, March 6, 9 am registration & networking; 9:30 am program: "Latin American Politics: A Shift to the Left?" Presentation by P. Michael McKinley, ambassador (retired) to Brazil, Peru, and Colombia. Part of 2023 Great Decisions series of the World Affairs Council of Western Michigan, with the Holland International Relations Commission. Please RSVP to I.kern@cityofholland.org. At 1 Haworth Center corporate offices, off 40th St., Holland.

Tues, March 7, 7 pm: Jack Ridl Visiting Writers Series: Featuring poet and essayist **Sumita Chakraborty** with her debut book of poetry "Arrow" and memorist **Noé Alvarez,** whose book "Spirit Run" has been called "a powerful story about a Mexican American who seeks to embrace his heritage while forging his own path forward." At 112 Winants Auditorium, Graves Hall, 263 College Ave, Holland.

Thurs, March 9, 6:30 pm to 7:30 pm: 28th annual Youth of the Year Celebration presented by Boys & Girls Clubs of Greater Holland. Nominees are Gavin Phe, Sterling Shepard II, Isabel Shepard,

Alesha VandenBerge, Analicia Sandoval, and Juan Andres Gomez. Attend via livestream link at www.bgch.org or in person at Fellowship Church, 2165 West Lakewood Blvd., Holland.

Sat, March 11, 11 am, scavenger hunt; noon, parade: St. Patrick's Day Celebration 2023. Get clues for scavenger hunt in front of Curragh restaurant (8th & College) for chance to win gift cards; hosted by Holland Youth Advisory Committee. Parade begins at Holland Civic Center, goes east on 8th St, and ends at Columbia Ave.

Sun, March 12, 4 pm: "All God's Children: Faith that is LGBTQ+ Affirming." Panel discussion on "biblical support for inclusion of all God's children." The event is "a space for learning how to have a more expansive and inclusive faith and is not intended to be a debate." Panelists include Barry Bandstra, Rev. Bethany Joy Winn, Christina Breen, David Myers, Rev. Jen Adams, and Sonrisa Cortes (moderator). Cosponsored by All One Body, Room for All, Out On The Lakeshore, Grace Episcopal Church, First Presbyterian Church, First United Methodist Church, and United Church of Christ congregations of Hudsonville, Douglas, and Holland. At Herrick District Library, 300 South River, Holland.

Mon, March 13, 5:30 pm to 7 pm: Free popcorn and a movie: "Hidden Figures," the story of three African American women "who served as the brains behind the launch of astronaut John Glenn into orbit." Rated PG for thematic elements and some language. In Spanish with English subtitles. For info, call Jenna at (616) 414-9111. At Holland Momentum Center, 345 West 14th St, Holland.

Wed, March 15: Deadline to register and pay to be part of the Momentum Center's Civil Rights Road Trip, April 24-27. Travel is by bus from Grand Haven to Birmingham, Montgomery, and Selma, AL, and Memphis, TN. Limited to 40 participants. For information, visit this link.

Thurs, March 16, various times: 2023 Social Justice Activities to Honor César E. Chávez: 11 am Social Justice March, Hispanic Center of Western Michigan, 1204 César E. Chávez Ave, SW, Grand Rapids. 1 pm: Unity Luncheon--RSVP at this link. At Maya Mexican Grill, 1020 28th St, SW, Wyoming.

Community Opportunities

The City of Holland is seeking volunteers for its Victim Services Unit (VSU) and its Volunteers in Policing Service (VIPS).

---VSU provides initial support for victims of crisis or crime, e.g., notify family and friends, help arrange for shelter/food/clothing, serve as liaison between the victim and other agencies, arrange follow-up services. Training (required) includes crisis intervention skills, victimology, legal procedures, law enforcement and resource information. VSU volunteers work in teams, on-call for 12-hour shifts for seven-day periods. Click here for information and applications.

---VIPS carry out a variety of activities for the Holland Department of Public Safety; e.g., monitoring handicap parking violations, vacation home checks, attend/assist at community events,. <u>Link to job description</u>. <u>Link to application</u>.

Exhibits

Now through April 2: "Expired Memories" art exhibit by Erick Picardo; hailing from the Caribbean, Picardo is a percussionist, muralist, cultural ambassador, and activist "who uses art to address social issues that the world is facing, emphasizing the importance of social change." At Holland Area Arts Council, 150 East 8th St., Holland.

Now through May 13: Women of Color United Focus Exhibition. The Art of Storytelling. Eleven objects are works of and by women of color and were selected and interpreted by the Hope College multicultural student organization Women of Color United (WOCU). At Kruizenga Art Museum, 271 Columbia Ave, Holland.

Now through May 13: Photovoice: "Telling Our Stories." The lived experiences of seven LGBTQIA students at Hope College whose photographs portray images of Safety, Identity, Belonging, and Pride, as evident in their daily lives. At Kruizenga Art Museum, 271 Columbia Ave, Holland.

Links to Anti-Racism, Race & Ethnicity Resources

10 things black people wish white people would stop doing. Here is the link.

10 more things black people wish white people would stop doing. Click here for the link.

Why we should end Black History Month. Here's the link.

5 ways to avoid an awkward conversation about racism. Here's the link.

Did I teach critical race theory? Click here for link.

4 ways a white person can stand up to racism. Click here.

Why aren't white parents talking to their children about racism? Click here.

5 films about stories of inclusion: Here's the link.

Indigenous proverbs from around the world: Click here.

7 mistakes you shouldn't make if you are white and non-racist: Here's the link.

Common questions you should never ask about Asians: Click here.

The lasting impact of mispronouncing students' names: Here's the link.

How to be an active bystander when you see casual racism. Click here for the link.

The Stories for All Project: diverse books and resources for kids and teens. Here's the link.

What teenagers talk about when they talk about race. Here's the link.

A high schooler says about CRT: "Adults need to chill out." Here's the link.

6 ways a Black person can tell a white person isn't racist .Here's the link

Seven personality traits of my favorite White allies. Here's the link.

Michigan State Police study finds racial disparities in traffic stops. Here's the link.

Why black people never throw away their receipts: Click here for the link.

Let's talk about Critical Race Theory: Here's the link.

White privilege and "I don't see color." Here's the link

7 things you should never say to a Native American. Here's the link.

Chief Waukazoo and the Odawa, with Eric Hemenway. Archived program of the Holland Museum. Click here for YouTube link.

The Jim Crow Museum of Racist Memorabilia: Take a virtual tour of this outstanding museum, located in Big Rapids, MI at Ferris State University. It holds the largest public collection of artifacts "spanning the segregation era, from Reconstruction through the civil rights movement." www.ferris.edu/jimcrow (The museum is planning an \$18.5 million expansion, with a new exhibition space to be completed in 2024.)

Jobs

West Michigan Works! https://www.westmiworks.org/

Pure Michigan Talent Connect: https://www.mitalent.org/find-a-job

Holland Sentinel employment ads: www.hollandsentinel.jobs

<u>LG Energy Solutions</u>: Open interviews Mon-Thurs from 8 am to 5 pm at 1 LG Way, Holland. variety of shifts and positions in EV battery production, form machine operators to engineers to skilled trades.

Workforce Employment Specialists: Virtual hiring events: www.teamworkforce.com or (616) 396-3700.

<u>LIFELine Ministries</u>: Information on available restaurant, factory, sales, and office jobs in West Michigan. Contact Pastor Willie J. Watt Jr. at williewatt@gmail.com or (616) 335-061

70x7 Life Recovery: Coaching, mentoring, and job placement for persons with past criminal and addiction behaviors. "Invest a week in your life, gain freedom with 70x7 Life Recovery. We can help. Call (616) 796-0685."

Arbor Circle: https://arborcircle.org/employment/ Positions available in Kent, Muskegon, Newaygo, and Ottawa counties. Many openings for master's-level therapists. Bachelor's-level foster care case managers and licensor, prevention coordinator, prevention specialist. Supervisory positions. Direct care positions that do not require a degree. Administrative positions.

Boys and Girls Club of Greater Holland: https://bgch.org/

<u>Children's Advocacy Center:</u> Crisis counselor, full-time (must have LMSW or LLMSW or equivalent). Internships.. Click here for link to CAC openings.

<u>Community Action House:</u> http://www.communityactionhouse.com/jobs Financial wellness specialist. Food rescue manager. Business operations coordinator. Communications coordinator. Community Kitchen associate. Temporary staff reserve associate. Temporary truck driver.

Disability Network/Lakeshore: Benefits and options counselor. lick here for info and application.

ESCAPE Ministries: Click here for application information.

Evergreen Commons: Use this link and click on Careers

<u>Evoqua:</u> www.evoqua.com/careers Water purification company in Holland hiring fabricators, machine builders and operators, assemblers, buyers, demand planners, electrical builders, welders, and more. Technical writer.

<u>Global Battery Solutions:</u> Entry-level position, supporting office and shipping/receiving. Send email to khunter@globalbatterysolutions.com

Global Concepts Enterprise, Inc: www.globalconcepts.com

<u>Good Samaritan Ministries:</u> https://goodsamottawa.org/careers/ Eviction prevention stability coach. Housing case manager. Housing case management lead.

Grand Rapids Chamber of Commerce: https://www.grandrapids.org/your-chamber/join-our-team/

Grand Rapids Downtown Market: http://downtownmarketgr.com/careers .Facilities manager.

<u>City of Grand Rapids:</u> https://www.grandrapidsmi.gov/Jobs

<u>Grand Valley State University:</u> https://www.gvsu.edu/jobs.htm Director of Recreation and Wellness. University Communications administrative assistant. Library specialist III. Records assistant. Inventory control coordinator.

<u>Haworth:</u> https://www.haworth.com/na/en/careers.html Digital marketing writer. Lead human resources programs and events specialist.

Herman Miller: www.hermanmiller.com/jobs Graphic designer- field marketing creative strategy, hybrid or remote.

Herrick District Library: https://herrickdl.org/content/jobs-hdl

Hispanic Center of Western Michigan: https://hispanic-center.org/

Holland Charter Township: www.hct.holland.mi.us

<u>City of Holland:</u> https://mi-holland.civicplushrms.com/careers/Jobs.aspx Youth dance instructor, part-time. Windmill Island positions: Program and event assistant, part-time; greeter/windmill attendant; Tulip Time help; grounds crew. Project engineer. Heavy equipment operator. Police cadets (8 positions; part-time now, full-time in summer). Video production intern, part-time. Lead youth basketball instructor. Little Dribblers basketball instructor. Holland Recreation intern. Administrative aide. General recreation aide, part-time. Project engineer. Customer service representative, part-time. Building inspector. Recreation operations assistant. General recreation aide. Lifequard. Mowing crew member.

<u>Holland Hospital</u>: www.hollandhospital.org Corporate compliance and contract management coordinator. Receptionists, part-time. Occupational therapist assistant - COTA. Pre-admissions testing assistant, part-time, days.

<u>Holland Museum:</u> https://hollandmuseum.org/employment-opportunities/staff-opportunities/ Development and communications associate director; applications due March 15. Museum administrator, full-time; applications due by March 1. Several summer internships.

Holland Public Schools: https://hollandpublicschools.tedk12.com/hire/index.aspx. Bilingual classroom aides.

Holland Township: www.hct.holland.mi.us

<u>Hope College:</u> https://hope.edu/jobs/index.html Data and research coordinator, Frost Center. System manager for servers. Senior philanthropy advisor for Economics, Business, and Capital Campaign. Upward Bound summer positions: elective teacher; academic instructor; academic coach. Step Up Program coordinator. Hope Geneva Bookstore: Assistant store director; office manager; buyer for apparel and gifts. Motor coach driver, part-time. Custodian, part-time.

Inter Care Community Health Network: https://intercare.org/careers/search-jobs/ Physician. Interpreter (Spanish/English). WIC dietitian. Front office specialist, bilingual (Pullman). Care coordinator (Pullman)

<u>Lakeshore Advantage:</u> https://www.lakeshoreadvantage.com/careers Communications, marketing, and events specialist.

<u>Lakeshore Habitat for Humanity:</u> https://www.lakeshorehabitat.org/join-our-team Communications coordinator. Development coordinator.

<u>Lakeshore Nonprofit Alliance:</u> http://lakeshorenonprofits.org/programs-and-services/nonprofit-job-postings. Job openings at local nonprofits.

Latin Americans United for Progress (LAUP): www.laup.org

<u>Legal Aid of Western Michigan:</u> https://lawestmi.org/careers/ Legal assistant (Holland). Strategic litigation internship (Grand Rapids). Legal assistant (Holland). Medical legal partnership attorney (Grand Rapids). Staff attorney (Grand Rapids). Staff attorney (St Joseph). CVLAP Staff attorney-Domestic Violence (Muskegon). The agency offers summer and semester-based internships.

Lighthouse Immigrant Advocates; http://lia-michigan.org/get-involved/careers/ Executive director.

<u>Michigan Immigrant Rights Center (MIRC)</u> https://michiganimmigrant.org/employment-internships-and-volunteering Staff attorney (Ypsilanti); staff attorney for immigrant workers' rights; staff attorney for immigrant children; legal assistant for help desk (Detroit).

MOKA Corporation: https://www.moka.org/

Momentum Center: https://www.momentumcentergh.org/ Click on "Get Involved" and then "Open Positions."

Ottawa Area Intermediate School District: https://www.oaisd.org/

Ottawa County: https://www.governmentjobs.com/careers/miottawa Water resources cleCoordinator of Fund Development and Major Gifts, for Ottawa County Parks and Park Foundation. Mobile crisis clinician, on-call. Clerk/Register administrative specialist. Many other job openings.

Out On The Lakeshore: https://outonthelakeshore.org/get-involved/job-opportunities/

Resilience: Advocates for Ending Violence https://resiliencemi.org/job-opportunities/ Weekend shelter assistant, 2nd shift.

<u>Saugatuck Center for the Arts:</u> https://www.sc4a.org/ Properties head. Facilities assistant. Lead instructor and assistant instructor (Joy Squad).

<u>The SOURCE:</u> Ottawa County Bilingual Resource Navigator, full-time. <u>Click here for job description and application info.</u>

<u>State of Michigan:</u> https://www.indeed.com/q-State-of-Michigan-I-Ottawa-County,-MI-jobs.html Migrant program worker, Spanish-speaking, in Allegan County (seasonal).

<u>Washington School Neighbors:</u> Director/administrator, part-time (up to 15 hrs/wk). <u>Click here for job description and application info.</u>

West Michigan Hispanic Chamber of Commerce: https://westmihcc.org/

West Ottawa Public Schools: https://www.westottawa.net/careers/

WOOD-TV: www.woodtv.com/careers

Zeeland Public Schools. https://www.zps.org/employment/

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