



# Welcome to the NW Annual Justice Summit for 2020!

From the President:

Each October, JUUstice Washington sponsors a Justice Summit designed to gather in all our UU congregations, not only in the State but across the Pacific Northwest, to inform and empower them and their allies and partners in the justice work for the coming year.

With all that's been coming to a head, this year's Summit is critical. With the increasing assaults on our environment, the heightening of racial and economic inequities, the unprecedented impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic and the fiasco around our electoral process, we feel an extreme urgency to be a catalyst in the consolidating of all our voices to challenge the forces that have derailed our efforts to create a better future for all of us and restore us to some level of sanity.

We have launched a revitalization project with the assistance of the Fund for Unitarian Universalist Social Responsibility that will help to reinvigorate several of our action teams. The Summit will reflect this project by introducing our two Starr King interns, Sahar Mushin-Laufman and Larkin Flora. The Summit will be an introduction of them to UU congregations across the State of Washington, in the region and with local and national allies and partners. The Summit will also reflect our prioritizing the strengthening and expanding of the networks, alliances and partnerships within our Racial Justice, Environmental Justice and Refugee, Immigrant and Migrant Solidarity (RIMS) teams.

This year the Summit will also include a panel of Indigenous leaders as part of our ever active First/American Indian Nations Solidarity (FAIN) team to continue to encourage building relationships and supporting Indigenous leadership and a Legislative component that will we hope will help engage more of our congregations, allies and partners in the legislative processes.

Our Democracy is under severe threat by those who would wield power and wealth to see it dismantled. Our Courts are threatened by those who would return us to the Dark Ages. Regardless of who becomes the next POTUS, there's a lot of damage to undo and course corrections to make in our policy, legislative and regulatory processes. What we can't achieve in Congress, we should achieve through our State legislatures and through the Courts. Our legislative and judicial systems will need to be engaged to help protect the socio-cultural changes we hope to make.

This is not an invitation to join us, this is an entreaty to all of you, along with any of your allies and partners to come together so we can find our way out of this mess and onto a better Road.

~ Deborah J. Cruz

This year we have a new format for the Summit. It will be encapsulated in a Zoom conference to respect the boundaries of COVID-19 pandemic. The Summit will also be conducted in two parts.

**Part I on October 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup>** will consist of issue panels. Panels have been created with UU, and allied panelists to speak to the issues and what actions have been, are and need to be taken. Specific panels will address Racial Justice, Environmental Justice, Legislative Advocacy and Refugee, Immigrant and Migrant Solidarity (RIMS) and First/American Indian Nations Solidarity (FAIN).



See the attached pages to see who will be speaking!

**Part II on December 4<sup>th</sup>-6<sup>th</sup>**, we will be gathering everyone back together to take what we've learned from the October panels and the results of the election in November and creating strategy teams to develop specific, concrete action plans. Panelists are more than welcome and encouraged to return with us.

A registration fee of \$25.00 per person is requested; however, we will gladly accept anything you can contribute and no one will be turned away for a lack of funds. Add in an extra amount to your registration to help another attend the conference.

Registration is required: <https://juustwa.org/summit2020>. The Zoom link to the Summit will be along shortly upon registering.

To download the flyer: <https://juustwa.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/09/2020-Summit-Flyer2-1.jpg>

To see more info on our program, including individual panel pages: <https://juustwa.org/summit-program-2020/>

To be a sponsor of the Summit: <https://juustwa.org/https-juustwa-org-become-a-sponsor-2020/>

To see our sponsors and participating organizations: <https://juustwa.org/program-areas/conferences/nw-justice-summit-2020/summit-sponsors-2020/>

Have questions? Don't hesitate to give drop us an email at [office@juustwa.org](mailto:office@juustwa.org).

**October 9 - 10, 2020**  
**Part I: Panel Program**

**December 4-6**  
**Part II: Strategy Sessions**

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**2020 JUUstice Washington Justice Summit**

**October 9 • First American/Indian**

**Nations Panel • 6:30 pm**

JoDe Goudy, former Tribal Council Chair, Yakama Nation  
Jewell James, Lummi Nation Sovereignty and Treaty Protection Office  
Elliot Moffett, Nimiipuu Protecting the Environment  
Deborah Parker, former Tribal Council Vice Chair, Tulalip Tribes

**October 10 • Panel Program** (continued-starting at 8:00 a.m.)

Opening Acknowledgments and Worship with Rev. Dennis Reynolds

**Racial Justice and Equity Panel** (8:30 -10:30 am)

Rev. Michael Crumpler, Director of LGBTQA+ and Multicultural Programs, Unitarian Universalist Association (UUA)  
Rev. Carlton Smith, (our new) Congregational Life Staff Lead, UUA Pacific Western Region  
Aisha Hauser, Church of the Larger Fellowship, Lead Ministry Team

**Environmental Justice Panel** (10:45 am - 12:45 pm)

Aly Tharp, Program Director, Unitarian Universalist Ministry for Earth (UUMFE)  
Ana Marie de la Rosa, Senior Grassroots Organizer, Climate-Forced Displacement Unitarian Universalist Service Committee (UUSC)  
Xolotl Edgar Franx, Political and Campaign Director, Familias Unidas de la Justicia

**Refugee, Immigrant, and Migrant Solidarity Panel** (1:45 - 3:45 pm)

Josh Leach, Policy Analyst, Unitarian Universalist Service Committee (UUSC)  
Rosalinda Guillen, Executive Director, Community to Community for Development (C2C)  
Ray Garrido, Legal Services Director, Kitsap Immigrant Assistance Center

**Legislative Advocacy Panel** (4:00 - 6:00 pm)

Rep. Beth Doglio, Legislator, Washington State Legislature  
Rep. Debra Lekanoff, Washington State Legislature  
Lavona Grow, Advocacy Oversight Chair, Unitarian Universalists for Social Justice (DC metro)



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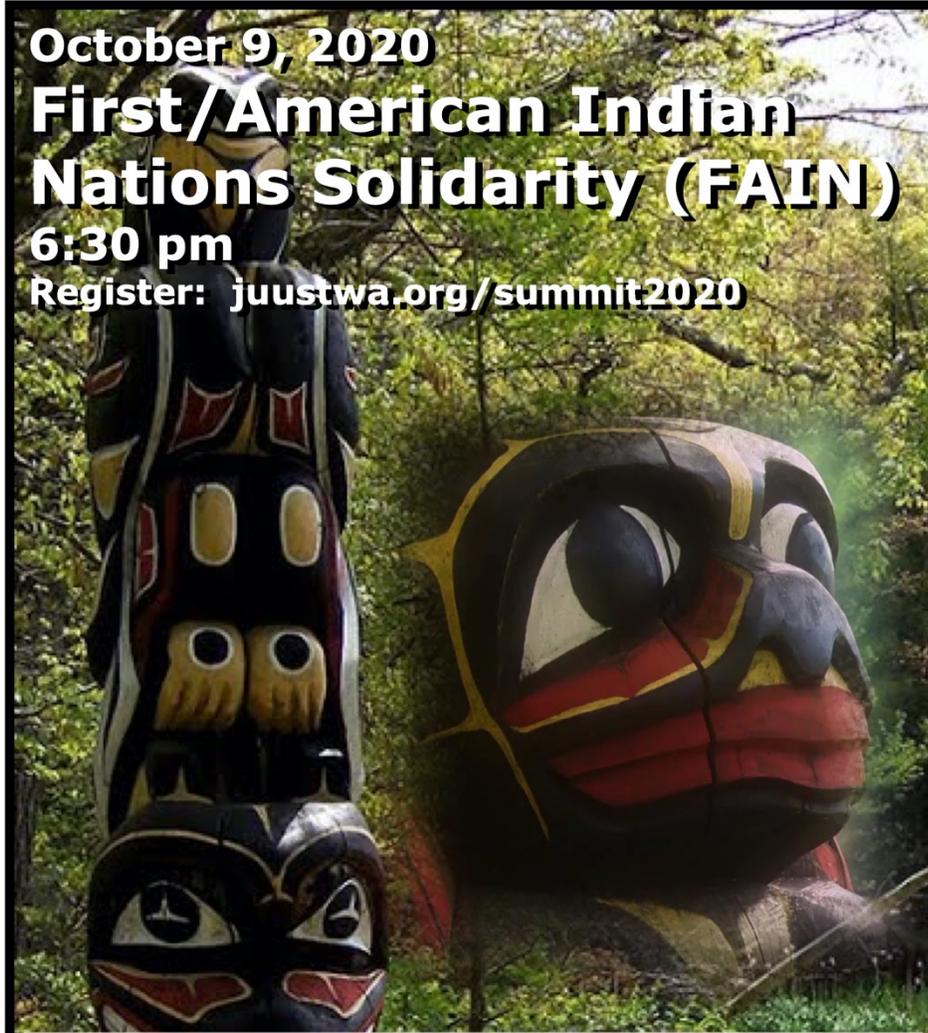
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**October 9, 2020**

# **First/American Indian Nations Solidarity (FAIN)**

**6:30 pm**

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JUJustice Washington continues its efforts to engage UUs and their allies and partners to support Indigenous communities and organizations. Assaults on Indigenous communities have increased and intensified as battles for acknowledgement, recognition and sovereign rights are playing out on the streets, in the legislatures and Congress and in the Courts. Fossil fuel and extraction projects, Murdered and Missing Indigenous Women, Snake River dams, Termination attempts, attacks on ICWA, historical trauma, the COVID-19 fiasco, ongoing threats to the Salish Sea and more, require an expanded and more highly

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engaged response from us to work together to protect sovereignty, cultural continuity, the rights of nature and to initiate a formal Truth and Reconcil-Action process.



**Jewell James**  
Lummi Nation



**Deborah Parker**  
Tulalip Tribes



**Elliot Moffett**  
Nimiipuu (Nez Perce)



**JoDe Goudy**  
Yakama Nation

## October 10<sup>th</sup> Morning Program

- Welcome

*All who come in the spirit of Good Will are welcome here.*

- Indigenous Peoples Day - Land Acknowledgement
- Introduction to JUJustice WA
- Purpose of Summit: Committing to the Great Turning
- Introduction to the Revitalization Project and conveners Sahar Mushin-Laufman and Larkin Flora
- Introduction to the Day's Program (panels)



### ***“The Weaving We Are Called to Do”***

**Rev. Dennis Reynolds** served a number of UU congregations throughout California, Oregon and Washington. He served his internship with Quimper Unitarian of Port Townsend, a brief stint at Saltwater UU, and pulpit supply in a number of congregations. Before his retirement in 2018, Dennis served as the UU minister on Whidbey Island since 2012. He has had the opportunity to meet many UUs from around the state of Washington through his years on the Washington UU Voices for Justice, the State's former Unitarian Universalist legislative advocacy network. He also served with the UU Global Aids Coalition working in South Africa and with the UU Service Committee (UUSC) working in Haiti. More recently, he has been engaged with the Poor People's Campaign. He now lives in Eugene, Oregon and is working at refining what it means to be an elder who is engaged in the process of striving to build a better world in ways that assure we fully hear those voices that have all too often been unheard and gone unheeded.

Service 20 Minutes (8:10 am - 8:30 am) by Rev. Dennis Reynolds

- Chalice Lighting by Lisa Friedman
- Song: Spirit of Life
- *Grounding Meditation words from Thich Nhat Hah*
- An Ancient Story
- Reflection “The Weaving We Are Called to Do”
- Song of Benediction “The Work We Are Called to Do” by Matt Smith

**October 10, 2020**  
**Racial Justice**

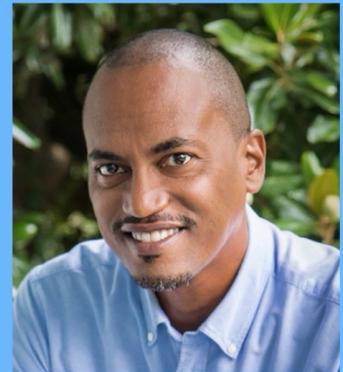
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George Floyd. Manny Ellis. Breonna Taylor. Just a few of the names that have exposed and raised, to unprecedented levels of consciousness, racism in America especially that which has been institutionalized in our criminal justice system. Covid-19 with its disproportionate impacts on communities of color and the lack of access to health care resources. The brazen display of white supremacy groups throughout the U.S. Racism scenarios are playing out all across the U.S. The inequities we are faced with addressing are complex and run deep in all our societal structures and institutions and must be challenged.

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**Rev. Carlton E. Smith**  
Regional Lead for the  
Pacific Western Region  
(UUA)



**Aisha Hauser**  
President, Liberal  
Religious Educators  
Association



**Rev. Michael  
Crumpler**  
Multicultural Programs  
Director, Unitarian  
Universalist Association

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**Environmental  
Justice**

**10:45 am - 12:45 pm**  
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JUUstice Washington has committed to the expansion of its Environmental Justice efforts this year, due to the cascade of catastrophic climate events, the ongoing presence of COVID-19 and the environmental implications of it and other potential pandemics, the rollbacks on environmental regulations and underfunding of environmental programs and agencies both on State and Federal levels, increases in air, water and land pollution, razing of forests and intense wildfires, increases in extractive industry projects, increases in species extinction and the urgent need for mitigation of warming and a myriad of other environmental crises across the globe - all with special emphasis on impacted communities. *Photo courtesy of NOAA*



**Ana Maria De La Rosa**  
Senior Grassroots  
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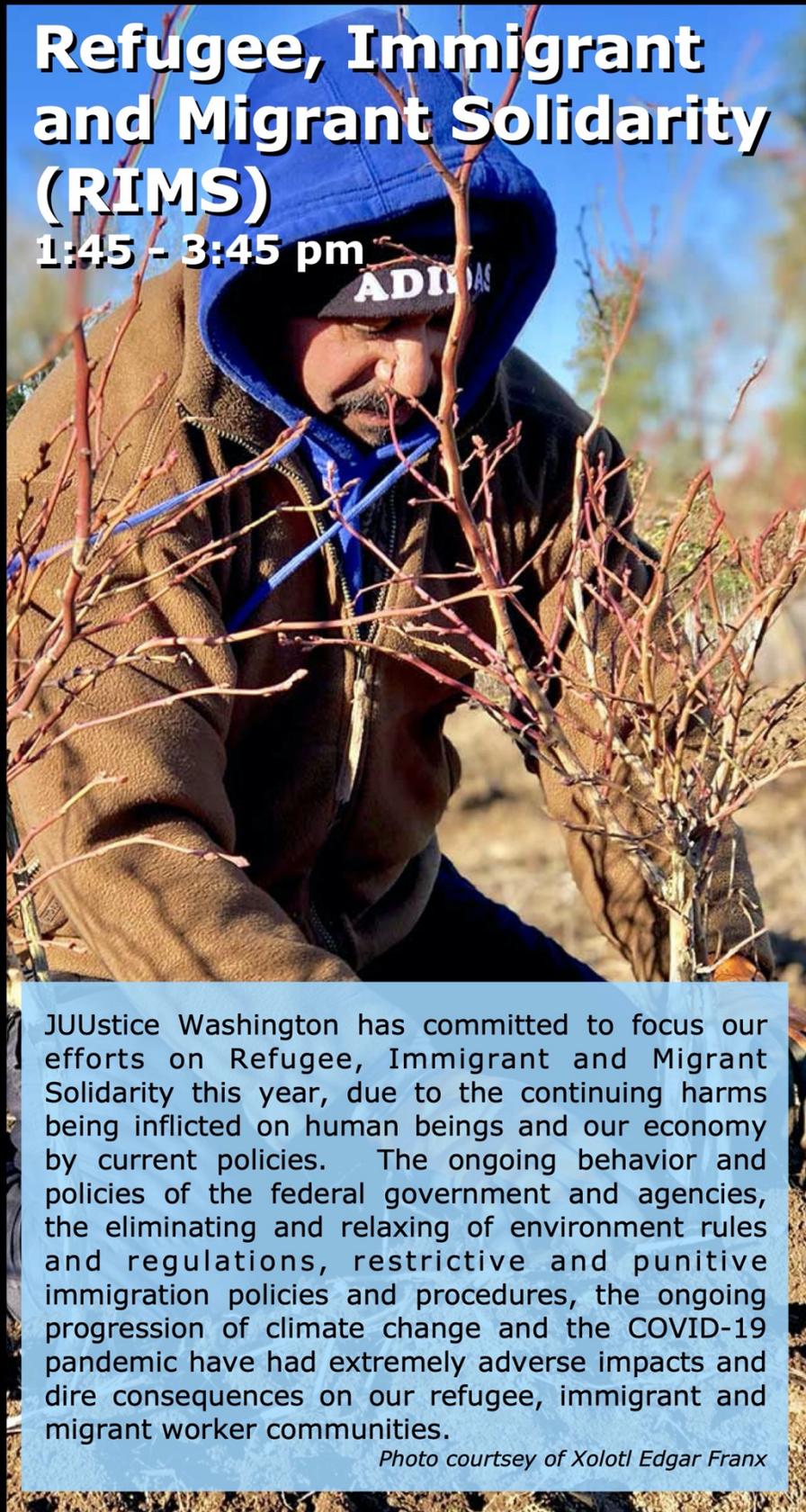
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Justice Strategist, UUA



**Xolotl Edgar Franks**  
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por la Justicia

# Refugee, Immigrant and Migrant Solidarity (RIMS)

1:45 - 3:45 pm



JUJustice Washington has committed to focus our efforts on Refugee, Immigrant and Migrant Solidarity this year, due to the continuing harms being inflicted on human beings and our economy by current policies. The ongoing behavior and policies of the federal government and agencies, the eliminating and relaxing of environment rules and regulations, restrictive and punitive immigration policies and procedures, the ongoing progression of climate change and the COVID-19 pandemic have had extremely adverse impacts and dire consequences on our refugee, immigrant and migrant worker communities.

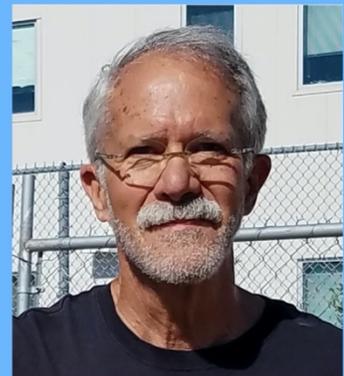
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# **Legislative Advocacy**

**4:00 - 6:00 pm**

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Active engagement with the State Legislatures and Congress this year are going to be a very high priority. There will be a tremendous amount of work to do to overcome the damage wrought on our environmental, economic and social systems over the past several years. While much of what needs to be done must take place on a socio-cultural level, our legal and judicial systems must not only keep the pace, but be foresighted enough to protect the future from any backsliding. Knowing who to contact, how to connect with them, on what subject, at what time, with what information is going to be critical securing substantive and cumulative changes that can be enforced by law and upheld in our courts.

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