

# Seventh Annual National Day of Racial Healing



The Creating Change Network (<https://njtheatrealliance.org/Creatingchange>) has partnered with the Truth, Racial Healing, and Transformation Center at Rutgers University - Newark (<https://www.newark.rutgers.edu/truth-racial-healing-and-transformation-center>) to curate a line-up of arts events celebrating the National Day of Racial Healing (<https://healourcommunities.org/day-of-racial-healing/>). Focused on the theme of "Redefining and Rebuilding Community," these events include both in-person and virtual visual art exhibitions; theatre, dance, and music performances; community workshops; panel discussions; and film screenings happening throughout the state.

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**Standing in Solidarity Series**  
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NJPAC in partnership with PSEG produces a social justice series that is part of its "Standing in Solidarity" initiative developed after the murder of George Floyd.

The purpose of this series is to bring our community together and to encourage everyone to take part in transforming our landscape to build an anti-discriminatory culture in our arts sectors and to encourage everyone to take part in the movement to ensure civil rights for all.

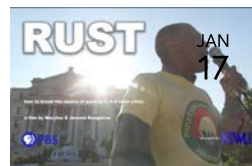
They have held 35 webcasts, the recordings of which are available on YouTube.



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**Culturally Responsive Arts Education (CRAE) Workout and Conversations**  
(/ndorh-events-2023/2023/1/16/culturally-responsive-arts-education-crae-workout-and-conversations)

An eight-week curated experience that focuses on developing the capacity of educators and others to think about how culturally relevant and responsive approaches can shift to more effectively represent and validate all students' cultures and lived experiences. Kicks off January 16.



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**Rust Documentary Film Discussion With Filmmakers Marylou & Jerome Bongiorno and NJIT Students**  
(/ndorh-events-2023/2022/12/20/rust-documentary-film-discussion-with-filmmakers-marylou-amp-jerome-bongiorno-and-njit-students)

Emmy-nominated, award-winning, Newark, NJ-based filmmakers Marylou & Jerome Bongiorno invite all to a dialogue about their documentary film, "RUST," via a



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**Just ADD Sound**  
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Just ADD Sound Radio (#JASradio) exists to connect artists, poets, lyricists, spoken word artists, performers, and musicians in an environment that is conducive to dialogue and connection.

Through interviews, performances and a Q&A, Just ADD Sound explores "Redefining and Rebuilding Community" related to race and racism.

JAN 19, 2023 · WEBCAST  
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JAN 3, 2023 – JAN 24, 2023



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Smoke (/ndorh-events-2023/2023/1/21/smc)

The landscape of healthcare is changing rapidly, both in terms of patients and psychiatric caregivers and involving the coming together of diverse cultures. "Smoke" is a full-length play about Alana Phillips, a young White girl who enters a psychiatric institution burdened with her brash, angry, manipulative and racist feelings. She encounters her newfound caregivers of recent African descent, who carry their own preconceived notions of patients diagnosed with psychiatric illnesses. Both Alana and her caregivers, struggle to work on a unit and in an institution that has failed to address the cultural shifts it is undergoing. Regardless, as sometimes faulty as it is, the staff work to treat Alana, as she works to maintain her independence, defiantly smoking cigarettes whenever she can get one and however she can get them. Despite the differences they have, unintentional bonds are formed between Alana and the staff caring for her that create a healing process for each of them. The goal of SMOKE is to highlight the often not seen healing that takes place.

JAN 21, 2023 · NEWARK PUBLIC LIBRARY CENTENNIAL HALL (HTTP://MAPS.GOOGLE.COM? Q=5 WASHINGTON STREET NEWARK, NJ, 07102 UNITED STATES)



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JAN 16, 2023 – MAR 10, 2023 · VIDEO CONFERENCE (HTTP://MAPS.GOOGLE.COM? Q= )



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Grief Love: A Theatrical Performance (/ndorh-events-2023/2022/12/21/grief-love-a-theatrical-performance)

Artist-scholar Shanaé Burch (she/her) teams up with Director-dramaturg Des Bennett (they/them) to co-conceive a solo performance project as an artistic component of her dissertation in order to document coming to understand life and Black creativity in juxtaposition to premature death.

JAN 21, 2023 · VIDEO CONFERENCE (HTTP://MAPS.GOOGLE.COM? Q= )

virtual live-streamed discussion with Dr. Jon Curley's NJIT "Newark Narratives" students.

JAN 17, 2023 · WEBCAST (HTTP://MAPS.GOOGLE.COM? Q= )



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Untold Stories of Storied People (/ndorh-events-2023/2023/1/21/untold-stories-of-storied-people)

Powerful untold stories by the troupe of BIPOC storytellers share the full range of the human condition in their stories. Themes of social justice, collective liberation, and activism are explored openly through post-performance dialogue with audience members.

JAN 21, 2023 · THE NEWARK MUSEUM OF ART (HTTP://MAPS.GOOGLE.COM? Q=49 WASHINGTON STREET NEWARK, NJ, 07102 UNITED STATES)



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Flower From Resilience (/ndorh-events-2023/2023/1/21/flower-from-resilience)

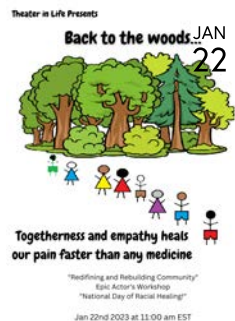
This art workshop invites those impacted by racism, discrimination, prejudice or violence to explore intersectional identities to create art from the lived experience of resilience, healing and methods of support. With guided drawing and collage, a resilience flower will be created and shared as a mutual aid garden. This is an opportunity to share experiences and resources in a safe space. Facilitated discussion will focus on what resilience means.

JAN 21, 2023 · PLAINSBORO PUBLIC LIBRARY COMMUNITY ROOM (HTTP://MAPS.GOOGLE.COM? Q=9 VAN DOREN STREET PLAINSBORO TOWNSHIP, NJ, 08536 UNITED STATES)

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**FEEL THE BEAT!**  
**AFRICAN DANCE & DRUM & MORE**  
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The Center for Modern Dance will present a hybrid (live stream and in person) African Dance & Drum class and short performance.

JAN 21, 2023 ·  
CENTER FOR MODERN DANCE EDUCATION (AND BY VIDEO CONFERENCE)  
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**Back to the Woods**  
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Togetherness and empathy heal our pain faster than any medicine. In today's globally connected village, diversity is a blessing. However, our kids increasingly retract within their own digital bubbles. They learn to judge people by so many parameters but forget to accept them as their own reflections. It's time to take our kids back to the woods where they can stand together holding each other's hands and learn from this ancient 'teacher.'

JAN 22, 2023 ·  
WEBCAST  
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**Redefining & Building Community Within Ourselves**  
(/ndorh-events-2023/2023/1/24/define-amp-building-community-within-ourselves)

In this generative poetry workshop, participants will learn more about themselves by asking pointed questions about certain core moments in their environments through the use of the "shadow work" journaling technique. These questions will correspond directly with a lesson on a poem about community and an opportunity for participants to write about their own.

JAN 24, 2023 ·  
VIDEO CONFERENCE  
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