

WomenExplore

Lecture and Discussion Forum

Spring 2019 Series

Am I My Sister's Keeper?



March 21

ADVOCATING FOR WOMEN'S RIGHTS

Focus: Muna Killingback

Lecture: **Nada Mustafa Ali**, lecturer of Women's, Gender and Sexuality Studies, and Human Rights at UMass, Boston, author of *Gender, Race and Sudan Exile Politics*

March 28

11:30: Film: **THE IMMIGRANT**

Filmed locally, this is the narrative story of a young Bosnian immigrant as she faces social, cultural and economic challenges in new surroundings.

12:45: Discussion with **Sanja Zdjelar**, local award-winning filmmaker



April 4

RESPONDING TO THE CHALLENGES FACING WOMEN IMMIGRANTS

Focus: Maria Muti

Lecture: **Anita Sharma**, executive director of Political Asylum/Immigration Representation (PAIR) Project which provides free legal services to asylum seekers & detained immigrants

April 11

WHO CARES FOR THE CAREGIVERS?

Focus: Virginia Loftus, Susan Kains, Marcia Boehlke

Lecture: **Anne Keefe** and **Kris Wiitala**, elder care advisors with the Family Caregiver Support Program at Somerville Cambridge Elder Services



April 18

SEX TRAFFICKING IN NEW ENGLAND

Focus: A WomenExplore participant

Lecture: **Heather Thornburg**, program director for Amirah, which uses individualized approaches to rebuild the lives of survivors of sex trafficking throughout New England



April 25

CARING FOR WOMEN AROUND THE WORLD

Focus: Luis Ramirez

Lecture: **Elizebeth Tucker**, principal of Philanthropy & Strategic Engagement for Grameen Foundation tackling poverty around the world

May 2

LIVING WITH OUR GLOBAL SISTERS: EMBRACING AND RESISTING CHANGE

Focus: Susan Nulsen

Lecture: **Rosalyn Negrón**, socio-cultural anthropologist, UMass Boston, author of *Ethnic Identification among Urban Latinos: Language and Flexibility*



May 9

MEMORY LOSS: COPING AND CARING

Focus: Carol Goldman

Lecture: **Julie Brody Magid**, clinical director of the McLean Memory Disorders Assessment Clinic, instructor in Psychology at Harvard Medical School

May 16

AM I MY SISTER'S KEEPER?

Focus: Marcia Boehlke

Lecture: **Lyn Brakeman**, retired Episcopal priest, author of a weekly blog, two books and a memoir—*God Is Not a Boy's Name: Becoming Woman, Becoming Priest*



May 23

HOW DO I SHARE MY MONEY, TIME AND LOVE? — A WOMAN'S DILEMMA

11:30: A **Story Quilt** with contributions by everyone attending who wishes. Bring your stories to share.

Facilitated by **Lindsa Vallee**

Thursdays in Harvard Sq, Cambridge MA

11:30 am FOCUS (except Mar 28 & May 23)

12 noon–1pm Main Lecture

1pm–1:30 pm Discussion

At Democracy Center, 45 Mt Auburn St, at DeWolfe St

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