

PEACE & HEALING



in the
VALLEY OF THE VAPORS
HOT SPRINGS, ARKANSAS

February 22 - 24, 2019



Keynote Speaker:
Kathy Webb,
Vice-Mayor,
Little Rock, AR



Musician:
Cassie Lea Ford
www.cassieleadmusic.com

Minister: Rev. Jan K. Nielsen,
UU Church of Little Rock
Conference info updated regularly at
www.swuuw.org.

SWUUV Officers 2018-19

President - Katie Womack
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Recent conferences:

2018 - Austin, Texas: "Be the Spark! Kindle the Flame!" **Keynote: Donna Howard**, Texas State Representative; Musician: Kiya Heartwood



2017 - Dallas, Texas: "Hearts and Hands Joining for Justice" **Keynote: Helen Bond**, Percussionist/Storyteller/Humanitarian; Entertainment: Going Native

2016 - Lawton, OK: "Mountain Refuge" **Keynote: Lauren Zuniga**, Poet; Musicians: SJ Tucker & Emma's Revolution



2015 - San Marcos, Texas: "Our Sacred Springs" **Keynote: Rev. Dr. Rebecca Parker**, retired president of Starr King School for Ministry.

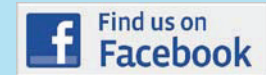
2014 - Tulsa, Oklahoma: "The Power of Story" **Keynote: Kelli McLoud-Schingen**, specialist in Global Diversity, Healing Racism and Narrative Presentation.

2013 - Corpus Christi, Texas: "Making Waves on a Sea of Change" **Keynote: Kimberly Dark**, sociologist and performance artist working in artistic activism.



Women Supporting Women
Serving Women in the SWUUC District

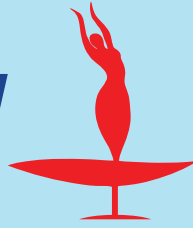
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SWUUV aligns itself with the spirit of Welcoming Congregations as depicted by the UUA. All who see themselves as women are welcome.



SWUUV



SouthWest Unitarian Universalist Women

SWUUV Mission Statement:

SWUUV is a non-profit organization that supports an annual conference to foster women's spiritual growth and leadership development.

To implement its Mission, SWUUV:

- Connects the women of the District to each other;
- Develops women leaders through conference planning and implementation;
- Empowers women through team building
- Educates women on the status of social justice issues which impact women;
- Deepens the spiritual life of the women and maidens of the Southern Region of the UUA (Southwest District).



SWUUV Values:

SWUUV promotes friendships and connections among UU women and celebrates our diversities and uniqueness.

The SWUUV Vision:

To connect, develop, empower, educate, and spiritually deepen UU women.

The SWUUV Board's Vision:

To be a voice for Unitarian Universalist Women in the Southwest District of the Southern Region of the UUA through conference planning and empowerment of women leaders.

What SWUUV Does:

SWUUV has convened annual conferences for women since 1987. The conferences are affordable week-end events spread across the SWUUV District. The conferences generally draw about 100-150 attendees and are held in late February or early March each year.

SWUUV:

- Invites well-known national and international keynote speakers and musicians.
- Works with a variety of Congregations.
- Supports teams of women volunteers who plan and produce the conferences.
- Supports local and national vendors who offer high-quality products at the conferences.
- Offers Scholarships.
- Offers a "Maiden" program, when possible.
- Planners customize events to their local community.
- Planners select session tracks and session topics from local and district-wide presenters.
- SWUUV gatherings generate Creative Energy!



How we help: Charitable Giving

SWUUV has donated thousands of dollars:

- Charities in our conference host cities
2018 in Austin, TX:
Inside Books Project
2016 in Lawton, OK:
Family Promise of Lawton
2015 in San Marcos, TX:
San Marcos River Foundation and New Braunfels Parks Foundation
2014 in Tulsa OK:
John Hope Franklin Center for Reconciliation
2013 in Corpus Christi TX:
Metro Ministries
- Heifer International
- Village Banking Group (sponsors microcredit loans "Empowering Women to Transform Communities in Poverty")
- Chalice Lighters



Connections

We connect with UU women's groups and congregations.

- UU Women's Federation
- UU Women and Religion
- International Conference of UU Women
- Southern Region of the UUA (Southwest District)
- Cluster of North Texas UU Congregations (NTUUC)