

Humility and Civility in an Age of Divisiveness

Thursday, May 10, 2018, 5:30 pm

Light refreshments at 5:30, program begins at 6:00

Harriet Beecher Stowe Center

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There has been a dramatic rise in divisiveness and polarization throughout our country in recent years. Increasingly, many of us seem unable to work together and find the common ground needed to make progress on the challenges we face. We seem to be losing the ability to disagree without being disagreeable, to recognize our own biases and fallibility, to feel conviction to our beliefs while still being self-reflective. Might we combine the power of humility and the approach of civility in building more cohesive communities where we can speak across differences while simultaneously working to accomplish shared goals? Join us for this stimulating discussion in which panelists will reflect on the role of humility and civility in their own lives and in their work, how we can begin to return to these values, and what role humility and civility can play in achieving a more successful society that benefits all.

Moderators:

- Brendan Kane, Associate Professor of History, University of Connecticut; Assistant Director, Public Humanities
- Bilal Sekou, Associate Professor of Political Science, University of Hartford

Panelists:

- Donna Berman, Executive Director, Charter Oak Cultural Center
- Arthur Miller, Director, Office of Black Catholic Ministries, Archdiocese of Hartford
- Iran Nazario, Founder/President, Connecticut Peace Center
- Manuela Wagner, Associate Professor of German Studies, University of Connecticut

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