The Justice Studies Association

18th Annual National Conference
In Albany, New York – 2016

June 1 – 4, 2016

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18th Annual - JUSTICE STUDIES ASSOCIATION CONFERENCE

Conference Theme: Injustice, Inequality, Insecure Lives - Creating Social Justice
(June 1 – 4, 2016)

@ The University at Albany- SUNY*

*Wednesday (June 1) Sessions held at Best Western Hotel (Squire Room)
1228 Western Ave., Albany, NY 12203.

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Please See JSA’s website for more complete information about the organization, its officers, as well as publication opportunities with peer reviewed journal, Contemporary Justice Review.

JSA Members Receive a copy of peer reviewed journal
Contemporary Justice Review, Current Editor-Randall Amster, Georgetown University
Thursday, June 2, at 6:20pm.: Keynote speaker Steve Gottlieb, Law Professor, currently at University at Albany School of Law.  Happy B-Day Steve, and thanks for your support!


On Friday, June 3, 5:30pm (during dinner), Robin Casarjian will be given the Chomsky Award. This award in honor of Noam Chomsky recognizes someone who inspires others through commitment to scholarly and intellectual activities related to justice.

Robin Casarjian, M.A. (Columbia University) is the Founder and Director of the Lionheart Foundation and its National Emotional Literacy Projects for Prisoners and Youth at Risk. Robin is author of Forgiveness: A Bold Choice for a Peaceful Heart (Bantam, 1992) and Houses of Healing: A Prisoner’s Guide to Inner Power and Freedom (Lionheart Press, 1995), and co-author, with Bethany Casarjian, Ph.D., of Power Source: Taking Charge of Your Life (Lionheart Press, 2003). For her prison work, Robin received the Distinguished Service Award by the Interfaith Counseling Services of MA, the Paul H. Chapman medal from the Foundation for the Improvement of Justice.
Leaders in Social Justice will convene to Explore Injustice, Inequality and Insecure Lives

ALBANY, N.Y. (May 25, 2016) – The Justice Studies Association, an international association with firm roots in Albany, will convene leaders in social justice to explore Injustice, Inequality, Insecure Lives: Creating Social Justice at its annual conference to be held June 1-4 at the University.

The association was co-founded by UAlbany alum Dennis Sullivan who received his Ph.D. in criminal justice in the first class of what is now the nation’s oldest doctoral program in criminal justice.

Sullivan was an adjunct professor at UAlbany for 15 years, teaching a graduate course in restorative justice. In 1995, he asked his friend and collaborator Larry Tifft to help him start a new association for scholars, practitioners and activists who were interested in pursuing issues extending far beyond the boundaries of conventional academic criminology.

He and Tifft began the Contemporary Justice Review, which is published by Routledge. The JSA had its first international conference in Albany in June 1997, and has met here five or six times in the Association’s 19-year history.

This year, Sullivan is presenting Knock Down Them Walls: Meeting the Needs of all Through Needs-Based Justice Programs and Thinking. Tifft will facilitate the session. Sullivan, poet in residence affiliated with Le Jardin de la Grande Chartreuse, will also present on Needs-Based Revolution: Treating Everyone Like the Richest Person on Earth.

Among the presenters at this year’s conference:

- Mary Florence Sullivan, of Columbia University’s School of Social Work, an advocate for the New York City Safe Passage Project, on Meeting the Needs of Displaced Youth.
- Fred Boehrer and Meg Kelly, immigration advocates affiliated with Emmaus House, and Albany Catholic Worker, on The New Sanctuary Movement in Albany, New York.
- Thomas Giglio, director of ENL and Refugee Services for the City School District of Albany, on Providing a ‘Home’ for Refugees in Need.

In addition to numerous presentations, the association will honor Robin Casarjian, founder and executive director of the Lionheart Foundation, which organizes emotional awareness workshops in prisons.

Past keynote speakers have included Noam Chomsky, Arundhati Roy, and Daniel Berrigan. Each year the association bestows the Noam Chomsky Award.

Conference co-sponsors include: the Department of English, the Department of Women’s, Gender & Sexuality Studies, the School of Criminal Justice and the UAlbany Justice & Multiculturalism in the 21st Century Project.

Contact: Media Relations Office (518) 956-8150  http://www.albany.edu/news/69935.php
Additionally:

JSA would like to acknowledge the following people for their efforts and support and a special thanks to Deborah LaFond for helping to bring JSA to the lovely campus of the University at Albany SUNY:

With Gratitude:

Artists, Karen Schupack and Carol Hill, The Art Room, Albany New York  (For their gracious donation of their art and time to support the Social Activist Awards)

Kaori Otera Chen, MA, University at Albany, JSA Conference Assistant

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Jennifer Disare and all, Sodexo Catering Staff at the Best Western Hotel Bountiful Bread

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**Dialogues in Social Justice (DSJ): An Adult Journal**

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**Dialogues in Social Justice: An Adult Education Journal (DSJ)** is a scholarly, blind peer-reviewed, open-access journal which seeks to publish a unique blend of original high-quality research, policy and practice articles, reflection essays, arts-based work, book reviews, and resources related to all aspects

Submissions of scholarly work that pushes the boundaries of theory and practice, and engages alternative voices in adult education are encouraged. Manuscripts should highlight social in/action, equity issues, and/or creative strategies for promoting social justice through adult education. Submission types include: full-length manuscripts (5000-7000 words), reflection essays (1200-1500), book and resource reviews, and arts-based work. All submissions undergo a rigorous peer-review process. There are no author fees.

For complete instructions for submissions, please visit the journal’s website at [https://journals.uncc.edu/index.php/DSJ](https://journals.uncc.edu/index.php/DSJ)
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**All Wednesday Paper Sessions (X-5) - June 1**

@ **Best Western Hotel – Squire Room**

Registration: Best Western Hotel (8:00am) / 1228 Western Ave., Albany, NY 12203 (518).

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**Session X**

(8:30a-9:15a)

**COMMENCEMENT OF CONFERENCE**

Opening Remarks: Jo-Ann Della Giustina, President JSA  
Welcoming Remarks: James Stellar, Provost: The University at Albany -SUNY  
Overview of Conference Program and facilitator (sessions 1-2): Robert Grantham, JSA Program Committee Chair

**Session 1**

(9:30a – 10:35a)

**GOVERNMENT CULPABILITY, CRIME AND THE MEDIA**

Government Accountability and Social Justice Concerns  
Robert Grantham and Ruben Ortiz, Bridgewater State University

Resource Allocation: Toward A Hypothesis of Corruption  
Stavros Papadopoulos, University of Connecticut

Bullying the bullies: News media moral outrage and “Gonzo Justice”  
Robert Brooks, Worcester State University

**Session 2**

(10:45a – 11:45a)

**INCARCERATION AND PRISON TRANSFORMATIONS**

The impact of collateral consequences and post-release supervision practices on the reentry process for recently incarcerated men and women  
Ashley Kilmer, University of Delaware

Non-Violent: Transformations in Prison  
Jo-Ann Della Giustina and Jennifer Hartsfield, Bridgewater State University

*General Announcements:* Deborah M. LaFond (Local Arrangements Coordinator), University at Albany

**Session 3:**

(12:00p-1:30p)

**Lunch:** Best Western (Town Room)  
Social Activist Awards (Mary Jane Smith /Meghan Kelly)

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### Session 4

**DRUGS, STREET RAP and BOTH SIDES OF THE LAW**, facilitator: Deborah LaFond, The University at Albany

(1:50p-2:15p)

Felony Bans in the Legal Cannabis Industry  
Beverly Thompson, Siena College

Honoring the Experts: Using Street Rap as a Tool to Empower “Hood” College Students  
Rebecca Maniglia, Northern Arizona University  
Michael Parra, Co-Author and Former Offender

Defense or Prosecution: Does One Side Have an Advantage?  
Levon Chorbajian, University of Massachusetts, Lowell

### Session 5

**METHODOLOGY AND SOCIAL JUSTICE** – Organizer, Ngina Chiteji, NYU

(2:30p – 3:30p)

**Discussants:**  
Ngina Chiteji, New York University  
Jo-Ann Della Giustina, Bridgewater State University  
Jennifer Hartsfield, Bridgewater State University

### All Thursday Sessions (6-12) - June 2

University at Albany - *Empire Commons Conference room*

### Session 6

**CRIMINAL JUSTICE SYSTEM, TERRORISM: TOWARD SOCIAL JUSTICE,**  
facilitator: Amber Rodriguez, Mount St. Mary’s

(9:00a-10:00a)

Prosecutorial Dominance in the Plea Bargaining Process: How It Distorts Our Criminal Justice System and What We Must Do to Bring About Reform  
Francis Zarro, Skidmore College

Social Inequality and Police use of Deadly Force: Toward a Social Justice Solution  
Sheryl Van Horne, Eastern University

Confronting White Domestic Terrorism and the Prospects for Social Justice  
Michael King, Bridgewater State University

### Session 7

**PANEL DISCUSSION:** Creating Counter-Spaces on College Campuses: Two Black Lives Matters initiatives, facilitator: Dan Okada, Cal State Sacramento

(10:15a-11:30a)

**Discussants:** CUNY - LaGuardia Community College  
Joni Schwartz, Organizer  
Brian Miller  
Isajah Adams,  
Shanique Williams
**Session 8**
Lunch
(12:00p – 1:15p)

**Session 9**
MEMBERSHIP MEETING
(1:45p-2:15p)

**Session 10**
PANEL DISCUSSION: *Knock down them walls: meeting the needs of all through needs-based-justice programs and thinking*, facilitator: Larry Tifft, Co-founder of Justice Studies Association
(2:30p – 4:15p)

**DISCUSSANTS:**
Mary Florence Sullivan
“Meeting the Needs of Displaced Youth”
TITLE: Advocate NEW YORK CITY SAFE PASSAGE PROJECT
AFFILIATION: Columbia University School of Social Work

Fred Boehrer and Meg Kelly
“The New Sanctuary Movement in Albany, New York”
TITLE: Immigration Advocates
AFFILIATION: Emmaus House, Albany Catholic Worker

Thomas Giglio
“Providing a ‘Home’ For Refugees in Need”
TITLE: Director of ENL and Refugee Services
AFFILIATION: City School District of Albany

Dennis Sullivan
“Needs-Based Revolution: Treating Everyone Like The Richest Person on Earth”
TITLE: Poet in Residence
AFFILIATION: Le Jardin de la Grande Chartreuse

**Session 11**
PANEL DISCUSSION: *A Whiff of Anarchism*, facilitator: Stephen Simms
(4:30p – 5:15p)

**DISCUSSANTS:**
*Stephen Simms, Bridgewater State Univ.*
*Elizabeth Bradshaw, Central Michigan University*
*Randall Amster, Georgetown University*
*Jackie Doyon-Martin, Grand Valley State University*
*Hal Pepinsky, Indiana University (joining in vis skype, thanks Hal!)*

**Session 12**
Dinner
(5:30p-6:15p)
Social Activists Award: Penniman and Vitale-Wolf; Bruchac

(6:20p-7:45p)
Keynote Address *(Steve Gottlieb, Albany Law School)*
All Friday Paper Sessions (13-18) - June 3
Location: University at Albany – Alumni House

Moderators:
Charito Calvachi-Mateyko, Latino Initiative on Restorative Justice, Inc. (morning sessions)
Ken Litwin, University of Michigan- Flint (afternoon sessions)

Session 13
PARADOX OF PRISON EDUCATION AND SCHOOL
(9:00a – 10:00a)
Prison Reform and Activism in Michigan
Justin Smith, Central Michigan University

Eradicating School-to-Prison Pipeline Mindsets and Deficit Based Curriculum Models: Decolonizing Strategies Used to Approach "Indigeneity" with Pre-Service Teachers
Deborah Lafond, University at Albany

School to Prison Pipeline
Beverly L. Jackson, American University

Session 14
SOCIAL JUSTICE: OCCUPY, IDENTITIES and NEOLIBERALISM
(10:15a – 11:35a)
Beyond the Spectacle of “Violent Protest”: Rethinking Violence at Occupy Oakland
Emily Brissette, Bridgewater State University

The Isolation of Colorism
Amber Rodriguez and Anais Maseda, Mount Saint Mary’s University

Capitality: An Emerging Post Neoliberal Ideology
Cassie Andrusz, University at Albany

Session 16
Lunch / Location TBA
(12:05p-1:15p)

Session 15a
CIRCLE OF PEACE (participation limited) – location: TBA
(1:30p -2:30p)
Peacemaking Circles for Just Relationships
Charito Calvachi-Mateyko, D.J./M.A.C.T. Latino Initiative on Restorative Justice, Inc. 501(c)(3)

Session 15b
CONSIDERING COMMON PURPOSE OF MATERIAL WELL-BEING
(1:30p -2:30p)
Together and Equal: Confronting Conflict and Degradation Through Common Purpose
Randall Amster, Georgetown University
Session 16
(2:45p – 4:00p)

PANEL DISCUSSION: Students creating social justice, facilitator: Ken Litwin

Discussants/panelists:
Kenneth Litwin, Cody Fowler, Taylor McClain, and Andrew Zimmerman;
University of Michigan- Flint

Session 17
(4:15p – 4:45p)

CONTEMPORARY JUSTICE REVIEW MEETING

Session 18
(5:30p – 6:45p)

Chomsky Award Dinner / Robin Casarjian, Director of the Lionheart Foundation

All Saturday Paper Sessions (19-25) - June 4
University at Albany – Alumni House

Moderators:
Jennifer Hartsfield, Bridgewater State University (morning sessions)
Joshua Brooks, Northeastern Illinois University (afternoon sessions)

Session 19
(8:00a – 9:00a)

Advisory Board Meeting

Session 20
(9:15a – 10:15a)

EXAMINING NUANCES OF RESTORATIVE JUSTICE

Creating Social Justice: Creating a Restorative Justice Minor to Transform the Curriculum
Sarah Kitchen, Chestnut Hill College

Making Things Right: A Restorative and Social Justice Approach to Elite Deviance and White-Collar Crime
Joshua Brooks, Northeastern Illinois University

What's acting got to do with restorative justice?
Celeste Walker, Arcadia University

Session 21
(10:30a – 11:30a)

CONSIDERING GENDER AND FORMS OF INEQUALITY

Contemporary Roma/Gypsy Narratives of Identity and “Acceptable Help”
Maria Subert, Ohio University
Separate Not Equal: Women and the United States Marine Corps
April Coan, Nova Southeastern University

Video Games and Inequality
Abi Johnson, University at Albany

Session 22
Lunch
(11:45p-12:45p)

Session 23
(1:00p – 2:00p)
Panel Discussion: From The Womb to the Tomb: The Containment of Black Life, Organizer/ Organizer: Tomiko Shine, University of Maryland Baltimore County

Discussants/panelists
William Gardner-Co-Founder; M.E.N. for L.I.F.E.
Rene Valdez- Organizer; RAPP (Release Aging People in Prison)
Paulette Dauteuil- Advisory Board; National Jericho Movement
Tyronne Morton- M.A. Developmental Psychology; Reentry Counselor

Session 24
(2:15p – 3:15p)
VULNERABILITIES OF GENDER, PLACE, AND VICTIMIZATION

Witch-hunting the subaltern: India’s recent sexual violence in perspective
Tanni Chaudhuri, Rhode Island College

“Not on my Corner”: Problem Properties, Men’s Shelters, Crime and Discourses of Danger.
Stephen L. Muzzatti, Ryerson University

Remove the victim, remove the fraud
Kim Miller, Capella University and Ashraf Esmail, Dillard University

Session 25
(3:25pm --)
Closing Remarks, Justin Smith, JSA Vice President
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