



The Society for Spirituality
and Social Work

New Beginnings 2021 Conference Schedule

June 16, 2021: Pre-Conference Writing Retreat

11:00am EST	Writing Retreat Welcome & Overview
11:15am EST	Dedicated writing time begins
1:00pm EST	Career Development #1 and Networking Breakout Rooms
1:30pm EST	Dedicated writing time resumes
3:30pm EST	Career Development #2 and Networking Breakout Rooms
4:15pm EST	Retreat debrief & conference overview

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On-Demand Workshops open at 9:00am EST

A virtue-care approach to spiritually-sensitive social work

Dr. Ann M. Callahan

Exploration of spiritually-based social work interventions as grounding tools for social workers in practice

Dr. Michelle Ratcliff

The social work classroom as a space for religious hospitality

Dr. Allison Tan and Dr. Morgan Braganza

Live Events/Workshops – pick one per time slot

12:00pm EST	<p>Opening Plenary – Keynote Speaker: Dr. Edward Canda Performance by Black Assets</p>
1:30pm EST	<p>How social workers assess and treat clients undergoing a Spiritually-Transformative Experience (STE) Dr. Michael Garbe (1A)</p> <p>Developing a Diverse Spiritually-Competent Toolkit Dr. Sherri Harper Woods (1B)</p> <p>Survivors as Experts: Cross-Cultural Lessons Learned in Spirituality and Social Work Rev. Dr. Michelle Walsh (1C)</p>
2:30pm EST	<p>The effects of mental health, social networks, and spirituality on PRCA survivorship among rural African-American men Dr. Raymond Adams & Dr. Waldo E. Johnson, Jr. (2A)</p> <p>Walking a Sacred Path; Rediscovering the Labyrinth as Spiritual Practice Dr. Hope Haslam Straughan (2B)</p> <p>Spiritually-Sensitive Social Work and the “Circle of Insight” Framework Dr. Anthony Nicotera (2C)</p>
3:30pm EST	<p>Ideas from Buddhism and Hinduism to counter divisions and discords in today’s society Dr. Meenakshi Venkataraman & Dr. Mari Alschuler (3A)</p> <p>Healing after tragic loss: Lessons from homicide survivors Dr. Janet Melcher (3B)</p> <p>Collaboration Between Social Workers and Clergy: Developing De-Stigmatized Approaches to Address Community Mental Health Needs Dr. Ann-Marie Yamada & Ms. Adrienne Hament (3C)</p>

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<p>On-Demand Workshops open at 9:00am EST</p> <p>New beginnings of understanding in children’s spirituality in trauma, grief, and loss Dr. Heather Marie Boynton</p> <p>Finding spirituality in the midst of caregiving Dr. Claudia Cassidy Bennett</p> <p>Journey of the soul-mind connection Dr. Wendy Ashley & Ms. Precious McGill</p> <p>Mindfulness for self-care, relationship care, productivity, and leadership Dr. Fredi Giesler</p>
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12:00pm EST	Conference overview, Performances by Black Assets and Dr. Alexander Jun
1:30pm EST	<p>Breaking free: Spirituality and coping resilience among older adults in prison Dr. Tina Maschi (1A)</p> <p>Spirituality in social work: An Indian perspective Mr. Stan Lobo (1B)</p>
2:30pm EST	<p>Addressing spirituality in end-of-life care Dr. Dona Reese (2A)</p> <p>Connecting to God through Christian yoga Dr. Kristen M. Nugent (2B)</p> <p>Teaching Spiritually-Sensitive Social Work Practice and Social Justice Dr. Anthony Nicotera (2C)</p>
3:30pm EST	<p>Tapping into Spiritually-Focused Mindfulness Dr. Sherri Harper Woods (3A)</p> <p>Spiritual assessments and interventions: Their importance and implementation Dr. Meenakshi Venkataraman (3B)</p>

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