

Harvest Fest: An Interfaith Arts Celebration

Saturday, October 6 (4 p.m.)

Peoples Church
841 W. Lawrence Ave.
Chicago, IL 60640

free and open to the public

“Harvest Fest: An Interfaith Arts Celebration” features music, poetry, and readings from sacred texts—on the themes of autumn, harvest and thanksgiving.

Program

Margaret Shaklee reads “May the Glory of the Passing Away of Autumn” by Barbara Pescan and “A Gardener’s Thanksgiving for Friends” by Max Coots

Allan Johnston reads his poems “Potato Farming Near George, Washington, 1975,” “Hay House,” “Harvest,” “Piers” and “Radishes”

Reverend Jacki Belile reads “The Liturgy of Abundance, the Myth of Scarcity” by Walter Brueggeman and “The Head of the Year” by Marge Piercy

Patti Nakai makes a short Buddhist commentary on the harvest theme and reads a selection from the *Dhammapada* (“Sayings of the Buddha”).

Seth Fisher reads “Thoreau on Autumn”

Reverend Jean Darling reads a passage from *The Great Turning: From Empire to Earth Community* by David Korten, and talks about the Peoples Church and Treasures of Uptown

A quintet performs “Autumn Leaves (by Joseph Kosma and Jacques Prévert),” “We Gather Together” (by Adrianus Valerius), and a blues improvisation – with Saalik Ziyad (vocals), Jon Hey (piano), Joe Vajarsky (tenor saxophone), Dan Godston (trumpet) & Anthony Poretti (drums)

“Harvest Fest: An Interfaith Arts Celebration” is part of an ongoing series of events that is thematically arranged around each of the four seasons. This Seventh Annual Chicago Calling Arts Festival event is co-sponsored by the Peoples Church, Treasures of Uptown, and the Borderbend Arts Collective.

Thanks to those of you who have joined us during “Harvest Fest,” The Peoples Church for hosting this event, to the readers and performers who have participated in it, and to those who have contributed refreshments.

Links:

Borderbend Arts Collective: www.borderbend.org

Chicago Calling Arts Festival: www.chicagocalling.org

Chicago Wisdom Project: <http://chicagowisdomproject.org>

Chicago Wisdom Project:

<http://chicagowisdomproject.org/>

Iftar in the Synagogue: [http://jmcbi.webnode.com/what-](http://jmcbi.webnode.com/what-we-do/iftar-in-the-synagogue)

[we-do/iftar-in-the-synagogue](http://jmcbi.webnode.com/what-we-do/iftar-in-the-synagogue)

Inner-City Muslim Action Network: www.imacentral.org

Interfaith Youth Core: www.ifyc.org

Interfaith Illinois: www.interfaithillinois.org

Jewish Council on Urban Affairs: www.jcua.org

Jewish-Muslim Community Building Initiative:

<http://jmcbi.webnode.com>

Living Well Ministries: www.livingwellministries.net

One Chicago, One Nation: <http://onechicago-onenation.org>

Peoples Church of Chicago: www.peopleschurchchicago.org

Shiviti Drum Circle: www.meetup.com/shiviti

Treasures of Uptown: www.TreasuresofUptown.org