

# CENTER FOR PLURALISM

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*We define Pluralism as “Respecting the otherness of others.”*

**PLURALISM IN RELIGION, POLITICS, CULTURE & SOCIETY**

Our Mission is to build a cohesive America, where no American has to live in anxiety, discomfort or fear of a fellow American.

Our vision is to see each one of us live securely in the pursuit of life, liberty and happiness.



At the Center For Pluralism (CFP), we bring **Americans Together** in social, cultural, political, religious, civic and other settings. The more we understand each other, the less likely we will fear or devise falsehood and myths about our neighbors. This will result in fewer misunderstandings and misperceptions and greater accomplishments among us for the betterment of all society. At CFP our programs are designed to achieve this mission. We believe human beings are born to be good, and are naturally drawn towards harmony and balance.

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**RESEARCH | LEADERSHIP | ACTION**

*Understanding the*

## ESSENCE OF EACH RELIGION

Atheism to Zoroastrianism | 13faiths | 13 workshops | 13 Months

When we live as neighbors, fellow workers, students, players, activists or inhabitants of the same city, it behooves us to learn about each other's beliefs, cultural values, occasions of celebrations, devotions or commemorations. The more we know about each other, the less mysterious our beliefs would become thereby creating a friendly environment in which we can function effectively. Knowledge leads to understanding, and understanding leads to acceptance of the others, thereby propelling tension free and sustainable prosperity.

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BAHA'I  
NOV' 2016



BUDDHISM  
DEC' 2016



CHRISTIANITY  
JAN' 2017



HINDUISM  
FEB' 2017



HUMANISM  
MAR' 2017



ISLAM  
APR' 2017



JAINISM  
MAY' 2017



JUDAISM  
JUN' 2017



NATIVE  
JUL' 2017



SCIENTOLOGY  
AUG' 2017



SIKHISM  
SEP' 2017



WICCA  
OCT' 2017



ZOROASTRIANISM  
NOV' 2017



GRADUATION  
NOV' 2017

This Interfaith activity brings self-awareness and alleviates fear of the unknown due to our interactions with others who are different from us.

# CFP'S PROGRAMS

## **Pluralism News (Bi-Monthly)**

Pluralism News is our media arm and highlights the essence of actions and public policies that affect every American. We have significant presence on TV, Radio, Print, web and Google

## **19th Annual Thanksgiving Celebrations & Awards Night (11/19/2017)**

A time of gratitude and celebration of cultural pluralism and appreciating men and women amidst us who have learned to accept each other as they are and how they express their joys through their unique cultural dances.

## **13th Annual Unity Day USA (09/11/17)**

Bringing Americans Together to rededicate our pledge to one nation with liberty and justice for all.

## **12th Annual Holocaust & Genocides Remembrance Day (01/28/2018)**

A purposeful event to reflect on human failings, with the intention of learning to prevent such happenings as individuals, and reaffirm, "Never Again".

## **3rd Annual Series Understanding the essence of Religion (Monthly)**

I would rather hear about your faith from you than someone else. Learn about the 13 different faith traditions first hand from their practitioners.

## **2nd Annual Festival of Faiths (12/24/2017)**

Annual event celebrating all faiths at the Jefferson Memorial  
What a joy it is when Americans come together.

## **Wisdom of Statesmen and Spiritual Masters (On their Birthdays)**

Celebration of wisdom of spiritual masters and the statesmen who contribute towards building effective functioning societies. Inclusive of Religious, Political and Civic leaders

## **July 4th, Memorial Day and Veteran's Day (On the dates)**

We do research, conduct seminars and organize symposiums on burning topics of the day that affect Americans. We are all about research and action. Please visit different tabs at [www.CenterforPluralism.com](http://www.CenterforPluralism.com)

# SHAPING AMERICA'S FUTURE

*We are committed to a cohesive America.*

In every place of work, worship, playground, school, restaurant, theater and other places of public gatherings you will find people of different faiths, races, and ethnicities interacting, working, studying, intermingling, playing and marrying together.

Despite these interactions, our appreciation of different cultures and faiths that form part of the American mosaic remains limited. The primary sources of information for a vast majority of us are our friends, the news and social media, which may not always be reliable and may even be biased. Based on what we learn, we form opinions about the faith, culture and lifestyle of fellow Americans who may be dissimilar from us.

However, as individuals if we can learn to respect differences and accept the God-given uniqueness of each one of us, then conflicts will fade and an environment of understanding will emerge.

We also need to reassure each other, particularly those who may be troubled by the changing paradigms and demographics of the society that we are committed to safeguarding the American way of life. As Americans, we are dedicated to upholding, protecting, defending and celebrating the values of liberty and freedom enshrined in our Constitution.

CFP is committed to vigorously promoting and advancing the principle of pluralism in the realm of religion, politics, social and cultural affairs. It will continue to focus its energies on ensuring a safe and secure America for all, as we move through uncertain times.

Please visit our website and participate in our endeavors as a volunteer, sponsor or donor. We are a Washington-based non-profit organization dedicated to building a cohesive and united America.

