

An invitation for
**Dialog Among
Resistance Movements**
with **Mandy Carter**
October 15, 2016

The Lounge, First Congregational Church, UCC • 165 Main St, Amherst, Mass.

While we speak of the intersectionality of racism, sexism, classism, homophobia, war, climate change, and economic exploitation, too often we do not go beyond the rhetoric. Do our actions match our analysis?

We invite you to make time to engage in dialog – listening as well as talking – with those involved in other issues and movements. We need to explore how we can work together. Our issues are connected, our resistance needs to be connected as well.

Mandy Carter, who has a long history of multi-racial, multi-issue organizing and multi-generational organizing, will share her insights and move us in dialog about the challenges we all face, strategies for change, and deepen the intersectionality of our struggles.

Mandy Carter is a southern African-American lesbian social justice activist with a 48-year movement history of social, racial and LGBT justice organizing. She lives in Durham, North Carolina, where she co-founded Southerners On New Ground (SONG), building transformative models of organizing in the South that connect race, class, culture, gender, ability, sexual orientation, and gender identity. She also co-founded National Black Justice Coalition (NBJC), a national civil rights organization dedicated to empowering Black lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender people. Mandy is the



Joanne Sheehan and Mandy Carter Photo by Linda Thurston

national coordinator of the Bayard Rustin Commemoration Project of the NBJC. She attributes the influences of American Friends Service Committee, War Resisters League (she was on staff of two WRL regional offices) and the former Institute for the Study of Nonviolence for her sustained multi-racial and multi-issue organizing.

Joanne Sheehan, New England War Resisters League staff and nonviolence trainer who has worked with Mandy for over 40 years, will co-facilitate. Joanne and Mandy are co-facilitating a Showing Up for Racial Justice (SURJ) training in North Carolina in September.

Organized by New England War Tax War Resisters (NEWTR) War tax resisters are involved in

many efforts for social change, and recognize that we would all benefit from slashing the military budget and reducing the militarization of our streets and our culture. Rather than just a NEWTR as we do annual, NEWTR is partnering with the New England War Resisters League and the Maine War Tax Resistance Resource Center to host this dialog. Our hope is that this will spark a joint effort for a larger conference in 2017 in conjunction with the Resistance Studies Initiative at UMass Amherst. Let us know if you are interested in receiving information on rest of the New England War Tax Resistance Gathering which will take place at Agape Community, Ware, MA.

**10:00am refreshments, 10:30am–5:00pm program including lunch,
5–6pm reception**

There is no charge for this event, although we need people to register so we can plan.

Please let us know if you need childcare.

Join us for dinner from 6–7pm, \$10 for those not attending the NEWTR gathering.

For more information and to register: Joanne Sheehan – joanne@warresisters.org or 860-639-8834