

CROSSING THE DIVIDE



February 14-16, 2020 | METROPOLITAN PAVILION | 125 West 18th Street, NYC

Friday, FEBRUARY 14

- 6:30 pm** **"We climbed up, he first and I behind him ... To see again the stars" (Dante)** Main Floor
The Encounter opens with music with **Molly Morkoski**, pianist, staged readings from *The Divine Comedy* with **Giuseppe Mazzotta**, Sterling Professor of Humanities for Italian at Yale University, and welcoming remarks by **Seán Cardinal Patrick O'Malley, OFM, Cap**, archbishop of Boston
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- 7:45 pm** EXHIBIT PRESENTATION | **Crossing the Divide: From Ideology to Wonder** | Exhibit on the Encounter's theme 2nd Floor
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- 8:15 pm** EXHIBIT PRESENTATION | **"His seeing caused me to begin to see": Looking at Race and Reality with James Baldwin** | Exhibit on James Baldwin, novelist, playwright, and activist 2nd Floor
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- 9:00 pm** **The Girl from Hong Kong** Main Floor
A journey across America in words, music, and images by Martina Saltamacchia, José Medina, TJ Berden, Michele Averchi, and Jonathan Ghaly. Music by Jonathan Fields and Christopher Vath. Images by Lee Jeffries, Randy Halverson, and Patrick Witty.

Saturday, FEBRUARY 15

- 10:00 am** **A Place for Life** Main Floor
Witnesses on the enduring importance of family
J. D. Flynn | editor-in-chief, Catholic News Agency
Sarah Hemminger | founder and CEO of Thread
Matteo Stohlman | software engineer in a DC real estate startup
Marcie Stokman (moderator) | founder of Well-Read Mom
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- 11:30 am** **Working in an Inclusive Economy** Main Floor
Young workers and entrepreneurs discuss Pope Francis' economic vision
Carlos Martínez | CEO of 376 Management Group
Giorgio Vittadini | professor of statistics at the University of Milan-Bicocca, Italy
Anujeet Sareen (moderator) | portfolio manager, Brandywine Global
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- 12:45 pm** EXHIBIT PRESENTATION | **Giussani in America** | Exhibit on Fr. Luigi Giussani, founder of Communion and Liberation 2nd Floor
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- 1:15 pm** EXHIBIT PRESENTATION | **"A human being is a remarkable thing"** 2nd Floor
Exhibit on the wartime writings of Dutch-Jewish woman Etty Hillesum (1941-1943)
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- 2:00 pm** **Bridging the Divide in the Most Unlikely of Places** Main Floor
A conversation on reconciliation and going over apparently un-crossable divides
Jeanne Bishop | Cook County Public Defender
Fr. George Williams | chaplain for San Quentin State Prison death row
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- 3:00 pm** EXHIBIT PRESENTATION | **Humans and Machines: Behind the Curtains of Artificial Intelligence** 2nd Floor
Presentation of the exhibit on Artificial Intelligence with **Julia Stoyanovich**, assistant professor of computer science and engineering at NYU, and **Carlo Torniai**, advisory council member of DominoDataLab
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- 4:00 pm** **In Search of the Other America** Main Floor
Chris Arnade | writer and photographer
Patrick Deneen | professor of political science and constitutional studies at the University of Notre Dame
Jon Balsbaugh (moderator) | president of the Trinity Schools Network
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- 5:15 pm** **ACROSS THE DIVIDE SERIES: THE POWER OF HUMAN EXPERIENCE** 2nd Floor
SOMOS: Doctors on the Front Line | Caring for people and communities on the periphery
Mario Paredes | chief executive officer of Somos Community Care
Ricardo Rivera | chief development officer of Somos Community Care

6:00 pm	Ideals vs. Ideologies in Politics. A Lost Battle? A conversation on the direction of American politics Sohrab Ahmari op-ed editor, <i>New York Post</i> Christine Emba columnist, <i>The Washington Post</i> Brandon Vaidyanathan (moderator) chair of the Department of Sociology at The Catholic University of America	Main Floor
7:15 pm	ACROSS THE DIVIDE SERIES: THE POWER OF HUMAN EXPERIENCE Making Poetry Sing: Crossing the Divide Between Poet and Audience A presentation on poetry by Dana Gioia , poet, followed by the Poetry Contest award ceremony	2nd Floor
8:00 pm	POETRY CONTEST AWARD CEREMONY	2nd Floor
8:15 pm	ACROSS THE DIVIDE SERIES: THE POWER OF HUMAN EXPERIENCE From the Street to the Backyard A face-to-face encounter with Rex Hohlbein , founder of Facing Homelessness Seattle and the BLOCK Project, moderated by Alberto Carignano , post-doctoral fellow, Department of Electrical Engineering, University of Washington	2nd Floor
9:00 pm	Classical Music and Jazz ... Two Sides of the Same Coin A concert with Andrea Domenici , jazz pianist, and Radoslaw Jasik , classical pianist	Main Floor

Sunday, FEBRUARY 16

9:00 am	Holy Mass Memorial Mass for the 15th anniversary of Fr. Luigi Giussani's death, celebrated by Archbishop Christophe Pierre , apostolic nuncio to the United States, with the Choir of New York Encounter directed by Sebastian Modarelli , music director and organist at St. John the Evangelist Church in Rochester, MN	Main Floor
11:00 am	What Can Free Us from Ideology? A conversation on the Encounter's theme in light of <i>Where is God?: Christian Faith in the Time of Great Uncertainty</i> (McGill-Queen's University Press) by Fr. Julián Carrón Fr. Julián Carrón president of the Fraternity of Communion and Liberation Ami Dar founder and executive director of Idealist.org Aaron Riches professor of theology at Benedictine College Fr. José Medina (moderator) U.S. coordinator of Communion and Liberation	Main Floor
12:45 pm	ACROSS THE DIVIDE SERIES: THE POWER OF HUMAN EXPERIENCE From Dereliction to a Life of Luminous Love A conversation about the journey of the late-Frank Simmonds Rita A. Simmonds wife and author of <i>Convicted by Mercy: The Journey of Frank Simmonds from the Streets to Sanctity</i> Lawrence E. Sullivan professor emeritus of theology and comparative world religions, University of Notre Dame	2nd Floor
2:00 pm	A Paper-Thin Distance How the discovery of our common humanity can shatter racial ideology Daryl Davis musician and public speaker Christian Piccolini author and founder of the Free Radical Projects global network Jonathan Fields (moderator) composer	Main Floor
3:15 pm	ACROSS THE DIVIDE SERIES: THE POWER OF HUMAN EXPERIENCE Unafraid of the Divide A face-to-face encounter with Sr. Mariae Agnus Dei, SV and Sr. Virginia Joy, SV , Sisters of Life, and Fr. Richard Veras , director of pastoral formation at St. Joseph's Seminary	2nd Floor
4:00 pm	Our Tears Are the Same An Israeli and a Palestinian share their stories of reconciliation Bassam Aramin international spokesperson, The Parents Circle Families Forum Robi Damelin director of international relations, The Parents Circle Families Forum Marta Zaknoun (moderator) journalist	Main Floor
5:30 pm	Someone, Somewhere, Who Lived Fully Witnesses on the martyrdom of 40 Burundians killed by Hutu rebels and 21 Copts killed by ISIS extremists Fr. Zacharie Bukuru Benedictine monk in Buta, Burundi His Grace Anba David bishop of the Coptic Orthodox Diocese of New York and New England Rev. Marcel Uwineza, SJ Rwandan genocide survivor Barbara Gagliotti (moderator) foundations officer, AVSI-USA	Main Floor
7:30 pm	All This Starry Sky ... That Makes Me Dream Final night of celebration and songs with the Encounter volunteers	