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Let's Talk

We are excited to extend an invitation to you, our esteemed members, partners, and compassionate communities, to come together for a special gathering focused on dialogue, idea generation, project sharing, and mutual support.

Wednesday, March 27

9am PT/12pm ET/5pm CET/9.30pm IST

[Register Here](#)

At this gathering, we aim to foster meaningful conversations, exchange innovative ideas, and address any concerns that you may have. Together, we can harness the power of collaboration to create tangible change at the local, national, and global levels.

Whether you are a long-standing partner or you have recently joined us, a dedicated member of a compassionate community, or someone who is passionate about building a more compassionate world, your presence and participation are invaluable.

Join us as we unite our efforts, share our experiences, and ignite inspiration to drive positive impact in our communities and beyond.

Together, let's be the change-makers we aspire to be. We look forward to your presence and the opportunity to collaborate for a brighter, more compassionate future.

With warm regards,

Marilyn Turkovich

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**Charter for Compassion News, Programs,
and Webinars**



The Magical Ability of Music to Inspire Action with Marilyn Turkovich

Every Wednesday in March at 8am PT/11am ET/3pm GMT/8.30pm IST

Our Executive Director, (and now DJ) Marilyn Turkovich, brings to the session a few pieces of music that allow space for reflection, helping to transcend cultural barriers, inspire kindness, and evoke a sense of peace. Let's see what happens when we come together!

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Allies in Action - Community Chat

Wednesday, March 27 at 9am PT/12pm ET/4pm GMT/9.30pm IST

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Charter Circle of Trust: The Charter Sangha

Saturday, March 30, at 9am PT/12pm ET/4pm GMT/9.30pm IST

On the last Saturday of every month, the Charter for Compassion offers a 90-minute practice of people coming together to be in a Circle, a Sangha.

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Poetry for Inspiration and Well-Being with John Smelcer

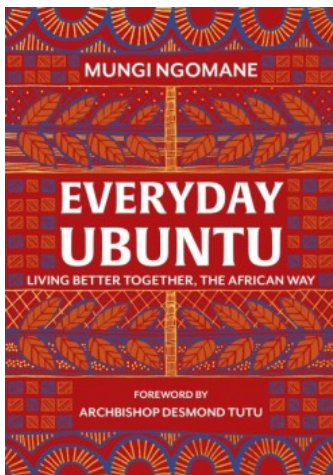
Course Begins April 1, 2024

Back by popular demand! Here's your chance to be part of a global community of like-minded thinkers who want to learn more about how poetry can change the world, save the planet, inspire compassion and social justice, and how it can also be therapeutic, improving emotional, spiritual, and even physical well-being.

Get John's poem "Infinity" in a downloadable and frammable file version to print when you sign up for the course.

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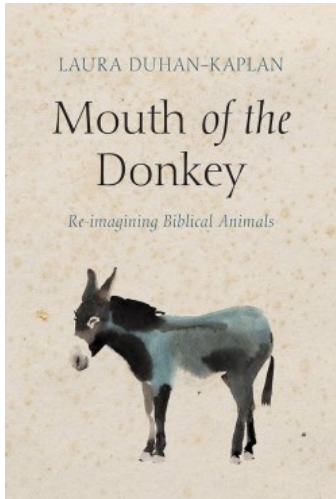


Everyday Ubuntu by Mungi Ngomane (*Desmond Tutu's Granddaughter*)

Wednesday, April 3, 9am PT/11am ET/3pm GMT/8.30pm IST

Mungi Ngomane, granddaughter of Nobel Peace Prize-winner Archbishop Desmond Tutu, offers an introduction to ubuntu, the Southern African philosophy that celebrates the universal human bond in this beautiful definitive guide, illustrated with full-color photos and filled with lessons on how to live harmoniously with all people.

[Learn More and Register Here](#)



Mouth of the Donkey by Rabbi Laura Duhan-Kaplan

Wednesday, April 17, 9am PT / 12pm ET / 5pm GMT / 9.30pm IST

The Hebrew Bible is filled with animals. Snakes and ravens share meals with people; donkeys and sheep work alongside us; eagles and lions inspire us; locusts warn us. How should we read their stories? What can they teach us about ecology, spirituality, and ethics? Author Laura Duhan-Kaplan explores these questions, weaving together biology, Kabbalah, rabbinic midrash, Indigenous wisdom, modern literary methods, and personal experiences.

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Join us on **Friday, April 5** for a day full of conversations, panels, and presentations online for anyone in the world to participate with the "Lens of the Golden Rule."

How do we see topics such as the environment, social justice, healthcare, immigration, race and many others through the lens of the Golden Rule?

[Click/Tap here to learn more about what's going on this year!](#)



March 21 - We are talking about **Golden Rule Day**, and what's going on for **April 5**.

March 28 - With **Special Guest John Smelcer**, Instructor for the upcoming course "Poetry for Inspiration and Well-Being."

*If you'd like to be featured in the LIVE show email
felipe@charterforcompassion.org*

From our Partners



UBUNTU FESTIVAL

MARCH 21-14, CAPE TOWN, SOUTH AFRICA (& Online)

The Ubuntu Festival is a platform to celebrate and explore the ancient wisdom and values of traditional African societies, with the aim of re-igniting the spirit of humanity in our global community.

Launching on the significant day of South Africa's Human Rights Day, the Ubuntu Festival will take place over four days from 21 – 24 March 2024.

The inaugural festival will bring together communities in dialogue, celebration and deliberation of the value that collective and engaged communities can contribute to invoking the spirit of Ubuntu.

Follow them on [Facebook](#) and [Instagram](#).

[\(Click/tap here to watch Charter LIVE with Felipe and Babalwa Ngcongolo from this past Thursday to hear from the festival director herself!\)](#)

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