



The Good News From Stony Point Center

New Off-Season Rates!

Stony Point Center is excited to offer **1/3 off** our normal prices from Dec. '25 through Mar. '26!

We hope that this opens the possibility of hosting retreats here to more people who would benefit from using this space to grow, recharge, learn, worship, or heal.

Stony Point Center Programs

June is a busy month for guest groups. It was also a rich month in planning and developing the emerging direction of SPC's social justice-focused programming.

This month, we:

- Engaged with the Interfaith Center of New York
- Held planning meetings for our November 3-6 Housing Justice Summit
- Developed a partner program with a nonprofit to host a "Changemaker (Re)Boot leader renewal and reengaging retreat scheduled for August
- Co-Hosted a Labyrinth Walk
- Worked with recent immigrants on using the land here to farm fresh food for their communities
- Continued work on expanding our trainings, gatherings, and programming into a cohesive social justice center

We will continue to share our progress as we work to solidify what it is to be a social justice training center housed at our retreat center and how we can leverage Stony Point Center to put the social action desires of the IUA offices into practice.



JUNE BY THE NUMBERS

- 608** people stayed over
- 4,939** meals served
- 20** groups in total with...
- 80%** closely aligned in their mission:
 - 1 interfaith seminary
 - 4 churches or ethical societies; 3 of which focused on social justice
 - 2 religious educators & leaders of faith cohorts
 - 3 social justice groups focused on economic democracy, peace, & gender justice, respectively
 - 5 spiritual wellness/healing
- 8** came by word-of-mouth, referral or google
- 12** were repeat guest groups



Want to book a retreat yourself? Just give us a call (845-786-5674), fill out a form online (stonypointcenter.org) or send us an email: bookings@stonypointcenter.org. We'd love to hear from you!

Missionally-Aligned Groups

SPC's mission is to nurture a space of inclusion and acceptance so guest groups can confront and transform the brokenness of our shared physical and spiritual world.

80% of our guest groups in June closely align with this mission. Will share some of their mission statements with you below, but first, an anecdote and a few comments about their stays here...

One night, when the Threshold Choir and the Angels of Transformation were both having dinner, the former sang for the latter and the latter returned in kind with spontaneous dance. Both groups glowed about the impromptu experience in their feedback forms.

Everything about Stony Point [Center] is aligned with our mission of acceptance, spreading love and light.

- Angels of Transformation

Positives:

- Location
- Meals all inclusive
- Beautiful grounds and housing options (Gilmor Sloane such a bonus!)
- Meeting rooms were clean and ready to go with all the set-ups we requested
- Meditation Building
- Gracious hospitality
- Ample electronic and visual capabilities in each gathering room
- Good mix of casual character with modern conveniences.

- Threshold Choir

Nine years straight (OK, almost straight) we're visiting your place. Speaks for itself.

- Lvosky Camp (LVS)



Sampling of Guest Group Mission Statements

The Community Church of New York, Unitarian-Universalist, “has been our liberal, religious home, where we share our justice-based values, including freedom of expression, in Manhattan since 1825. Our Mission is to grow as a caring, justice-making, anti-racist, diverse, spiritual community.” **They celebrated their 200th anniversary at Stony Point Center.**

Economic Democracy “is people and communities owning and deciding together how to manage our collective needs, from housing and food to energy and economic development. [We] assert that we have the power to dream, plan and build more just and sustainable futures for ourselves and our children. [We] have played an integral role in liberation struggles and movements for social change.”

Liberal Religious Educators: “LREDA is creating a world guided by love, justice, and equity through our mission of: Advocating for and supporting professional religious educators...by working to build a diverse multicultural Beloved Community by our actions that accountably dismantle racism and other oppressions in ourselves and our institution.”

Threshold Choir: “Singing for those at the thresholds of life. Singers receive specialized training around death and grief, bringing calm to the bedside, and producing a lullaby-like, harmonized blend of sound. There are about 200 chapters worldwide, with people doing this work as volunteers, singing to folks who are facing death or grief or suffering.”

The Angels of Transformation Dancers “is a ministry of dance and healing.... Together, we share our passion for dancing and love for God. We also use our various life experiences to minister our faith to others. Through dance, we hope to create a healing energy that transforms people’s lives and enlightens them about God’s light in the world.”

Leaders of Faith Cohort: “This cohort ... aims to bring together national and California-based leaders from secular organizations who are themselves people of faith to discuss the intersection of faith and social justice. Over the course of 18-months, this cohort of Leaders of Faith will gather to build relationships, share experiences, engage with guest experts, and explore how their faith can drive social change and shape the moral imagination of our nation.”

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