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The American Humanist Association's first ever VIRTUAL conference! Streamed live, June 7-9, 2019, at five select university locations across the US: Carnegie Mellon University in Pittsburgh, PA, Rice University in Houston, TX, Pitzer College in Claremont, CA, University of Miami in Miami, FL, and Medgar Evers College in Brooklyn, NY.

Since the conference will be livestreamed, we are planning a Watch Party for it in June. Details will be announced in the near future.

There will be a host of speakers on informative topics. The Humanist of the Year Award will go to Salman Rushdie. Other awards will be: the Isaac Asimov Award to Pamela Gay; the Lifetime Achievement Award to Barry Kosmin; the Humanist Arts Award, to Leighann Lord; the LGBTQ Humanist Award to Mara Wilson; and the Humanist Media Award to Richard Wiseman.

Further details on the conference can be found on the web at conference.americanhumanist.org.

Some History of Mother's Day

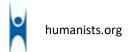
The idea of official celebration of Mother's Day in US was first suggested by Julia Ward Howe in 1872. An activist, writer and poet she shot to fame with her Civil War song, "Battle Hymn of the Republic". She suggested Mother's Day be annually celebrated and should be dedicated to peace. She wrote a passionate appeal to women and urged them to rise against war in her famous Mother's Day Proclamation, written in Boston in 1870.

The 19th Amendment

On the 19 of May 1920 an event occurred that opened the door to all the decades of progress of women, and of the nation that have followed. The right to vote and to be recognized as a full citizen, not to be denied, on the basis of sex, the rights and privileges that had formerly accrued only to men. Although we still struggle to achieve equality, this hard won law is our inspiration and our mightiest tool in the ongoing evolution of our culture.

The women's suffrage movement was a decadeslong fight to win the right to vote for women in the United States. It took activists and reformers nearly 100 years to win that right, and the campaign was not easy but in 1920 the 19th Amendment to the Constitution was finally ratified, enfranchising all American women and declaring for the first time that they, like men, deserve all the rights and responsibilities of citizenship.

- Sena Havasy









EVENTS

May 2019

Sun.	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.	Sat.
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5 11:00 AM Sunday Forum Sustainable Mediation Centers Victor Schacher 12:30 PM Buffet Brunch	6	7	8 6:45 PM Freethought Discussion Book Group Mitchell Pk Lib	9 7:00 PM Academic Video 'Great Ideas of Philosophy Kathieura & Horne	10	11 1:00 PM Atheist Abbey Brunch
12 11:00 AM Sunday Forum How We Know What We Know? Relativity and Electro-Magnetism Ron Garret 12:30 PM Mothers. Day Buffet Brunch	13	14	15 7:30 PM Inquiring Minds ACID & Cares United Zaylors@coud.com 7:30 PM Freethought Discussion	16 7:30 PM Academic Video 'Great Ideas of Philosophy Scott's Home	17	18 12:00PM Fun Group History & Legacy of Local Ohlgoe People Wearing to Living World How Fashion Impacts Nature Ainstey House Campbell meet in front of firehouse
19 11:00 AM Sunday Forum The Second Amendment Leland Chan 12:30 PM Buffet Brunch	20 7:PM Board Meeting Members Welcome	21	22 6:45 Freethought Discussion Book Group Mitchell Pk Lib	23 7:00 PM Academic Video Great Ideas of Philosophy Kathleen's Horne be on time	24	Potluck At the Home of Chris & Greg Sunnyvale 408-736-2635
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Go to www.meetup.com/humanistcommunity for details and updates about these and other events. Your RSVP is appreciated for planning.