

NCBI Rochester, Inc. presents

## Navigating Classroom Dialogue Around Controversial Issues

Differences in opinion and experience can spark controversy and divisions in our classrooms. How can we engage students with respect and courage, and encourage students to do the same? How do we respond when our buttons get pushed by student comments or actions? How can we find the balance between free speech and hurtful/ hateful speech and work with the gap between intention and impact? On this Martin Luther King Jr. Day we invite you to explore these questions and move from confusion and dissatisfaction towards clarity and direction.

***Our lives begin to end the day we become silent about things that matter.”***

***“Whatever affects one directly affects all indirectly. I can never be what I ought to be until you are what you ought to be. This is the interrelated structure of reality.”***

***~ Martin Luther King. Jr.***

**DATE:** Monday, January 15, 2018

**TIME:** 1 PM — 4 PM

**LOCATION:** Gandhi Institute for Non Violence, 929 South Plymouth Avenue, 14608

This workshop is designed for high school and college classrooms and is applicable to a wider range of audiences and group interactions. The fee for the workshop is \$75. Financial support is available as needed, thanks to the generous support of Excellus BlueCross BlueShield. To register for the workshop online [Click here](#) or complete the information on back and mail. Contact Pat Willis at [willis.patricia908@gmail.com](mailto:willis.patricia908@gmail.com) or (585)313-1047 with any questions/ concerns.

### FACILITATORS



Indrani views the world as an ecologist, educator, and yogi and brings a social justice lens to building equitable, respectful, and sustainable partnerships among diverse groups. She is known for her ability to connect with each person to genuinely understand their point of view, and make sure each party's perspective is shared at the table. She earned a B.A in Biology from Grinnell College and an M.Sc. in Ecology and Evolutionary Biology from Cornell.



As Director of NCBI Rochester, Inc., whose mission is to train and nurture young people and adults as cross-cultural leaders, Steve is skilled in creating environments where everyone and every perspective are welcomed as vital contributors to group process. His background as educator, school director, manager and community engagement specialist have earned the respect of a broad range of community interest groups. He holds a B.S. from Cornell University and an M.A. from Teachers College, Columbia University.



## NCBI Workshop Registration Form – January 15, 2018

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Workshop fee is \$75, which can be paid via check (payable to NCBI Rochester NY, Inc.) and mailed to Pat Willis, 42 Menlo Place, Rochester, NY 14620

Registration must be received by Friday January 12.

Please contact Pat Willis at [willis.patricia908@gmail.com](mailto:willis.patricia908@gmail.com) or 585-313-1047 if you have any questions.

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SPECIAL REQUESTS/ ACCOMMODATIONS

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Fee of \$75 will be: \*

- Mailed to Pat Willis, 42 Menlo Place, Rochester, NY 14620 (name of registrant should accompany check)
- Brought to the workshop on January 15
- Other: \_\_\_\_\_