

6<sup>th</sup> National Home Funeral Alliance Conference 2017*Advocating for Home Funerals: Stepping it up a notch*

Day	Time	Event	Location
Friday	3 <sup>pm</sup>	Registration opens	Main Lobby
	3	Silent Auction item drop off	Vineyard Room
	6 – 7	Dinner	Dining Room
	7 – 7:30	<b>Welcome</b> with Lee Webster, President, NHFA Board of Directors	Jubilee Room
	7:30 – 9	<b>The Unbroken Circle</b> with David Zinner, <i>Kavod V'nichum</i> ; NoorudDean Abu Ibraheem, the <i>Janazah Project</i> ; and Lucinda Herring, <i>Thresholds Consulting &amp; Ministry</i> ; facilitated by Nina Thompson <b>Sponsored by A Sacred Moment</b>	Jubilee Room
	9:30 – 11	<b>Bonfire</b> — music, storytelling facilitated by Sharon Moore	<i>Field behind meeting rooms</i>
Saturday	6:30 – 7:15 <sup>am</sup>	<b>Movement</b> with Zalene Corey	Orchard Room
	7:30 – 8:30	Breakfast	Dining Room
	8:45 – 9	<b>Opening Notes</b>	Jubilee Room
	9 – 10:15	<b>Everybody Can Be an Advocate: Here's How</b> with Renee Flaherty, Attorney, Institute for Justice, Josh Slocum, Funeral Consumers Alliance, and Tanya Marsh, Wake Forest School of Law; facilitated by Nina Thompson <b>Sponsored by Funeral Consumers of Maine and New Hampshire Funeral Resources, Education &amp; Advocacy</b>	Jubilee Room
	10:15 – 10:45	Break	
	10:45 – Noon	<b>Building Bridges: Advocating to Hospices and Hospitals</b> with Lee Webster, NHFA; Fabio Lomelino, Gilchrist Hospice; and Sarah Quinn, Fairfax Hospital; facilitated by Nina Thompson <b>Sponsored by Quality of Life Care and Threshold Support Circle</b>	Jubilee Room
	Noon – 1	Lunch with Table Topics	Dining Room
	1 – 2:15	<b>Everybody Wins: Working with Authorities</b> with Ruth Ann Arty, Executive Director of Maryland Board of Mortuary; Bruce Goldfarb, Communications Director, Maryland Medical Examiner's Office; Char Barrett, Licensed Funeral Director and Funeral Home Owner, First President of the NHFA, Home Funeral and Green Burial Consultant and Certified Celebrant; facilitated by Nina Thompson <b>Sponsored by Last Dance Shrouds</b>	Jubilee Room
	2:15 – 4	<b>Member Meeting</b> with Lee Webster, outgoing NHFA Board President, and Sarah Crews, incoming NHFA Board President	Jubilee Room
	4:15 – 5:45	<b>Film: In The Parlor with Heidi Boucher</b> <b>Sponsored by the Natural Burial Company</b>	Jubilee Room
	4:15 – 5:45	<b>Nature Walk</b> with Zalene Corey	<i>Meet outside Lobby</i>
	6 – 7	Dinner	Dining Room
	7:15 – 8:45	<b>Film: Zen and the Art of Dying with Zenith Virago</b> <b>Sponsored by Urban Death Project and LifePosts</b>	Jubilee Room
8:45 – 10	<b>Filmmakers' Reception</b>	Jubilee Room	

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<b>Sunday</b>	6:30 – 7:15 am	<b>Movement</b> with Zalene Corey	Orchard Room
	7:30 – 8:30	Breakfast	Dining Room
	8:15 – 9	<b>Film: <i>The Art of Natural Death Care</i></b> by Katelyn LaGrega	Jubilee Room
	8:30 – 9	Vacate Room	<i>Leave luggage in storage room off the lobby</i>
	9 – 10:15	<b><i>Home Funeral 101—Body Care Basics</i></b> with Claire Turnham of <i>Only With Love</i> and the <i>Home Funeral Network</i> <b><i>Sponsored by Bellacouche</i></b>	Jubilee Room
	9 – 10:15	<b><i>Creating Ceremonies for Home Vigils, Funerals, &amp; Memorials</i></b> with Kateyanne Unullisi, NHFA board Communications Director, Director, <i>The Emerge Foundation</i> <b><i>Sponsored by The Celebrancy Foundation &amp; Institute</i></b>	Orchard Room
	10:15 – 10:45	Break	<i>Auction Ends at 10:45</i>
	10:45 – Noon	<b><i>The Power of Home Funeral Storytelling</i></b> with Steve Waldman, author and founder of <i>LifePosts</i> , and Amy Cunningham, writer and funeral director, owner of <i>Fitting Tributes Funerals</i> <b><i>Sponsored by Mourning Dove Studio</i></b>	Jubilee Room
	10:45 – Noon	<b><i>How to Start a Threshold Care Group</i></b> with Lee Hoyt and Kim Adams, Threshold Support Circle <b><i>Sponsored by LifeSpan Doula Association</i></b>	Orchard Room
	Noon – 1 pm	Lunch <i>in Regional Groups</i>	Dining Room
	1 – 2:15	<b><i>Pet Home Funerals</i></b> with Jerrigrace Lyons, Minister, Death Midwife, Reiki Master, founder of Final Passages Institute for Conscious Dying, Home Funeral and Green Burial Education <b><i>Sponsored by BeYond Yonder Virtual School for Community Deathcare in Canada</i></b>	Jubilee Room
	1 – 2:15	<b><i>Taking Care of Yourself While Helping Others</i></b> with Merilynne Rush, RN, BSN, Home Funeral Guide <b><i>Sponsored by Threshold Support Circle</i></b>	Orchard Room
	2:15 – 2:45	<b>Open Mic/Closing Ceremony</b>	Jubilee Room
	2:45 – 3	<b>Silent Auction pick up and pay</b>	Vineyard Room
<b>Ongoing</b>		<b>Altar Art</b> <b><i>Sponsored by DoulaGivers</i></b>	
		<b>Before I Die Wall</b> <b><i>Sponsored by Final Passages</i></b>	Orchard Room
		<b>Meditation Room</b>	Tribes Lounge