

A day of service at UNH

Thursday, April 18, 2019

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SCENES FROM UNITY DAY 2018

On Saturday, May 4, the UNH community will come together for Unity Day, a day of service.

Registration begins on the great lawn in front of Thompson Hall at 9:15 a.m., and projects run until 12:30 p.m. Participants are encouraged to bring water bottles, and Unity Day shirts will be provided for all volunteers. Project sign-up options are available [here](#).

Unity Day 2018 was the largest public service event at UNH, and this year the university hopes to top student participation numbers. Unity Day 2019 includes 19 projects, ranging from a hike up Mt. Major to raise awareness about mental illness to planting UNH raised blueberry bushes on campus.

On Sunday, May 5, the UNH Concert Choir, conducted by Alex T. Favazza Jr. and accompanied by Joseph Stevens, will honor the memory of Cleveland "Buddy" Howard Jr. with the premiere of a new choral work at 3 p.m. in the Johnson Theatre. The program will also feature the UNH Chamber Singers with David Newsam on guitar and guest artist Marques L. A. Garrett. The event is free and open to the public.

UNH is also offering a special multi-week opportunity with nationally recognized artist Richard Haynes of UNH Admissions and Kristen Butterfield of the UNH Honors Program entitled Culture Keepers, Culture Makers: An Interactive Dialogue and Art Project About Racial Unity on Our Campus.

The project, which runs from April 23 and through Unity Day, includes an open dialogue about race, how our culture deals with race now and how the group would like to imagine it might be. It culminates in a group-designed art piece that will be displayed on campus. Past examples of Culture Keeper projects can be found on campus in Devine Hall and at the Child Study and Development Center. To learn more about this project, email Kristen.Butterfield@unh.edu.

Unity Day began last year as a year-end service event on the final Saturday of the spring semester.

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