



## The South Orange/Maplewood **Community Coalition** *on Race*

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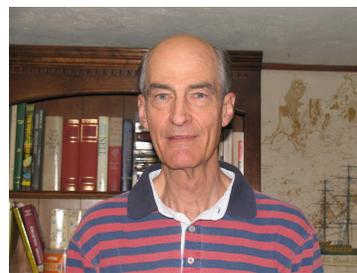
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### Annual Dinner Celebrating Integration is October 12th

**Honorees for 2019: Patricia Canning, George Robinson, & SOMA Cross Cultural Works**



Patricia Canning



George Robinson

Join us for our annual fundraising dinner: **Celebrating Integration:**

**Community Building by Honoring Difference**, an evening of food, fun, dancing, auction, and, best of all, an evening to acknowledge our honorees for their commitment to intentional integration and true inclusion. It's a fun night and a great way to mingle with friends and neighbors who support the cause of integration in our community! Saturday, October 12th, 7 pm, The Woodland, Maplewood.

[Click here to RSVP for the dinner](#)

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### Screening & Talk-back for Award winning film *Me, the "Other"* during SouthNEXT, October 20th



*Me, The "Other"* reveals the inner and outer lives of twelve people in different circumstances living on the front lines of prejudice by asking the questions we don't discuss in classrooms, workplaces, and social places, according to director and co-producer Shidan Majidi. This documentary is the centerpiece for a community conversations about what connects us and what keeps us apart. [See more here...](#)

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### Schools Committee Hosts Events in Support of Closing the Racial Achievement Gap



The Schools Committee has worked over many years

for equity and excellence in the SOMA school district, advocating in favor of integrating the elementary schools; speaking out against tracking and other systemic drags on true equity and excellence in the schools; and ensuring that all races in the community get the best they can from our schools. The committee invites you to its fall 2019 programs including the **BOE Candidates' Night** on October 29th, the annual **Pre-school Open House**, on November 11th, and the upcoming **Talking to Children about Race: Language Matters!** on Thursday, October 3rd. For more information on programming, readings lists, articles, or to join the committee, [click here](#).

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## Join Our Board of Trustees

Interested in working with a diverse group of your neighbors? The South Orange/Maplewood Community Coalition on Race is seeking new members to serve on our Board of Trustees. [Read more here...](#)



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## Coffee House Discussion on "When Should I Call the Police?"

Recent incidents of SOMA residents calling the police on perceived suspicious activity, the police response, and the social media responses will be the topic of an upcoming Coffee House Discussion entitled *When Should I Call the Police?* This community round-table discussion in small groups will explore issues such as: what should prompt someone to call for police; racist assumptions about people that cause suspicions; use of social media to shame people- both those who call the police and those who question the motives of the callers; use of social media to post surveillance footage and photos related to these calls; and more. Thursday, September 19, 2019, 7:30 - 9:30 PM at the Woodland parlor, Maplewood NJ. [RSVP Here](#).



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## Upcoming Events

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| Integrated Play Group<br>Community Coalition on Race                      | Sat. Sept. 21 10:00 - Noon<br>Le Parc Place<br>195 Maplewood Ave., Maplewood NJ<br>For more information <a href="#">click here</a>  |
| SOMA Two Towns for All Ages<br>Design The Health You Love<br>After 65     | Weds., Sept. 25 10 AM - 2 PM<br>(including lunch, breaks & socializing)<br>The Village Apartments of Jewish<br>Federation<br>110 Vose Ave., South Orange, NJ<br>If you are interested, <a href="#">click here</a> for a<br>brief survey |
| SOMA Two Towns for All Ages<br>Design The Retirement You<br>Love After 65 | Fri. Sept. 27th 10 AM - 2 PM<br>(including lunch, breaks & socializing)<br>Maplewood Senior Center<br>106 Burnett Ave, Maplewood, NJ<br>If you are interested, <a href="#">click here</a> for a<br>brief survey                         |

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