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June 11 at 11:00 AM

## “Shake Off Your Chains’: The Story Behind ‘Songs of Slavery & Emancipation’”

with **Mat Callahan**

Join us for music and a discussion about newly rediscovered songs composed by enslaved people explicitly calling for resistance to slavery. After the concert at noon, lunch will be served, followed by the 2023 CCB annual meeting at 1 p.m.

• **Mat Callahan** is a musician and author originally from San Francisco, where he founded Komotion International. He is the author of *Sex, Death & the Angry Young Man*; *Testimony*; and *The Trouble with Music* as well as the editor of *Songs of Freedom: The James Connolly Songbook*. He currently resides in Bern, Switzerland.



June 18 at 11:00 AM

## “Landmarks of Slavery and Freedom Perspectives of a Public Historian”

with **Dr. Robert Bellinger**



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A consideration of how Black history can impact and expand our understanding of our collective past in America. This presentation will focus on Massachusetts but will also consider the significance of Juneteenth.

• **Robert Bellinger** has a BA in Psychology and Black Studies from Amherst College, an Ed.M. from Harvard Graduate School of Education, and a Ph.D. in history from Boston College. As an educator, he has taught at the pre-school, elementary school, middle-school, high-school, and university levels. After a teaching career of almost half a century. Dr. Bellinger is now an independent public historian. Using history as a foundation and recognizing that people and their cultures do not exist in isolation necessitates an approach that is interdisciplinary, cross-cultural, and comparative.

music by **CommUnity Voices**



### Earth Day: In Love & Rage

Rally - March - Party

**April 21, 3:30-6:00 p.m.**

Starts at Boston City Hall and ends at MA State House. More info & RSVP: <https://xrboston.org/action/earth-day-2023/>  
Join Extinction Rebellion Boston and our co-sponsors for Earth Day 2023 to make our demand heard:

**No New Fossil Fuel Infrastructure!**

The International Panel on Climate Change makes it clear, fossil fuels HAVE GOT TO GO if we want to prevent the worst effects of climate change. Yet the federal government recently approved the Willow Project in Alaska, one of the largest of its kind on US soil, and Massachusetts continues to allow new fossil fuel projects and gas hookups. We love the Earth, we love animals and nature, and we want a livable future! Bring your friends and family, and show your love for the Earth!

**Co-sponsored by:** Community Church of Boston, Brazilian Women's Group, Beyond Plastics Coalition Boston, Climate Code Blue, Scientist Rebellion Turtle Island and Fossil Fuel Divest Harvard.

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## CCB SUNDAYS & MORE!

April 23 - June 18, 2023

*In person and hybrid programs.*



April 23 at 11:00 AM



## “End The Fossil Fuel Addiction that Feeds Putin and Biden’s War Machine”

with **Svitlana Romanko**

The United States was the biggest investor in Russian carbon bomb fossil fuel projects as of 2022, with 154 financial institutions holding 23.64 billion U.S. dollars in investments. Fossil fuel addiction drives the Russian war in Ukraine. How do we resist and rebuild Ukraine on a clean energy of peace?

• **Svitlana Romanko** holds a doctorate in Environmental Law, Climate Change Law, Climate Governance, and Climate Policy. Romanko is a founder and director of Razom We Stand. She is a prominent Ukrainian campaigner, movement strategist, and climate activist, who launched and coordinated the Stand With Ukraine campaign to ban all imports of fossil fuels from Russia, end the war in Ukraine, and hasten a clean energy transition across the globe. Previously, she worked for 350.org, Green Deal projects in Eastern Europe and for the Laudato Si Movement.

music by **Olena Glotova**, Ukrainian Jazz Vocalist/Pianist

April 30 at 11:00 AM

## “Behind the Scenes of the Award Winning Film 'Los Hermanos'”

with **Ilmar López Gavilán**

In January we screened “Los Hermanos”, a film about these formidably talented brothers, one in Cuba, and one in the U.S. We have the honor of hosting Ilmar López Gavilán, the New York violinist brother, to speak with him about both their lives as musicians; the making of the award-winning film; and their performance track on many stages throughout the continent, despite the senseless political obstacles that tear the U.S. and Cuba apart.

• **Ilmar López Gavilán's** career has taken him all over the world. He has performed for global leaders such as President Barack Obama and Queen Sofia of Spain, as well as with diverse and renowned artists, including Itzhak Perlman and Chick Corea. A first-prize laureate in the Sphinx Competition and top honor recipient at the Lipinski-Wieniaswski and Henryk Szeryng International competitions, Gavilán is a founding member of the Harlem String Quartet.





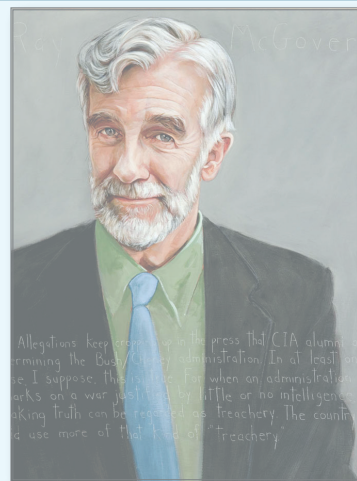


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Tuesday, April 25, 7 PM ET

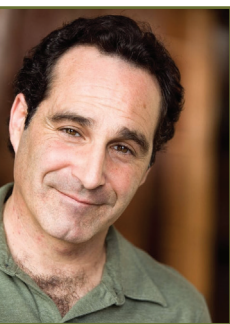
## “Ray McGovern on Russia & Ukraine”

Ray McGovern, formerly an Army intelligence and infantry officer, went on to serve at the CIA for 27 years. During this time his duties included chairing the National Intelligence Estimates and preparing the President's Daily Brief which he briefed to President Reagan's most senior national security advisors. In 2003, Ray co-created Veteran Intelligence Professionals for Sanity (VIPS) to expose how intelligence was being falsified to “justify” war on Iraq.

At his retirement, the CIA awarded Ray McGovern with the Intelligence Commendation Medallion for “especially meritorious service.” In 2006, Ray returned the medal explaining “I do not want to be associated, however remotely, with an agency engaged in torture.”

**Register for this Free Virtual talk at:**

[masspeaceaction.org/event/ray-mcgovern-on-russia-and-ukraine/](https://masspeaceaction.org/event/ray-mcgovern-on-russia-and-ukraine/)



## “Being Robin-Spirit or Delusion”

with **Roger Kabler**

Roger will describe his encounter with Robin Williams’ spirit and the mystery around it. He will also discuss his tribute to the comedian and the documentary film that ensued.

• **Roger Kabler** is a veteran actor of film and TV who retired due to drug addiction and mental illness. After the passing of Robin Williams in 2014, Kabler found himself strongly drawn into a need to pay him a stage tribute as Robin. His film, "Being Robin" documents this event.

music by **David Dodson**

May 14 at 11:00 AM

## “Randy Credico For President”

with **Randy Credico**

• **Randolph A. Credico** is an American perennial political candidate, comedian, radio host, and activist, and the former director of the William Moses Kunstler Fund for Racial Justice.

music by **Dean Stevens**



## “A Life In Three Acts: Peace, Porn and Prayer”

with **Rev. Barry Lynn**

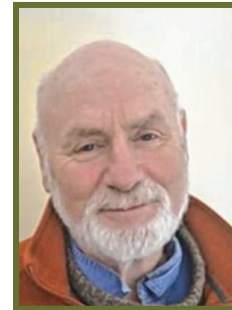
A high school student came up to Barry Lynn at a party and said "when I get out of school, I want to do what you do", Probing, Lynn asked what the young man thought his job was: "I think you get paid to piss people off". His memoir with that as its title is about how a shy conservative child became radicalized to progressive politics by listening to William F. Buckley, Jr., opposed the Vietnam War, destroyed the Reagan era Pornography Commission and fought for a quarter century to maintain the strongest wall of separation between church and state. There are rules: respect all those you work with; never hate your political opponents even

as you despise their ideas, never forget there are real people behind every principle and never, ever give up.

• **Rev. Barry Lynn** has served for the past 25 years as Executive Director of Americans United For Separation of Church and State. He is an ordained minister in the United Church of Christ and a lawyer with membership in the Supreme Court bar.

music by **Cosy Sheridan**

May 7 at 11:00 AM



## “Keeping President Kennedy's Struggle for World Peace Alive”

with **Martin Schotz**

It has been said, "When an idea seizes the masses it becomes a material force." At American University on June 10, 1963 President Kennedy attempted to educate the public concerning universal and eternal principles necessary for achieving true world peace. How can we come together and make President Kennedy's vision a force for peace.

• **Martin Schotz** is a retired physician living in Cummington, Massachusetts. He is the author of History Will Not Absolve US: Orwellian Control, Public Denial, and the Murder of President Kennedy. He is on the Board of Directors of the Traprock Center for Peace and Justice and is a member of the No Cold War Committee and the JFK Peace Speech Committee of Massachusetts Peace Action.

music by **Magpie**

June 4 at 11:00 AM

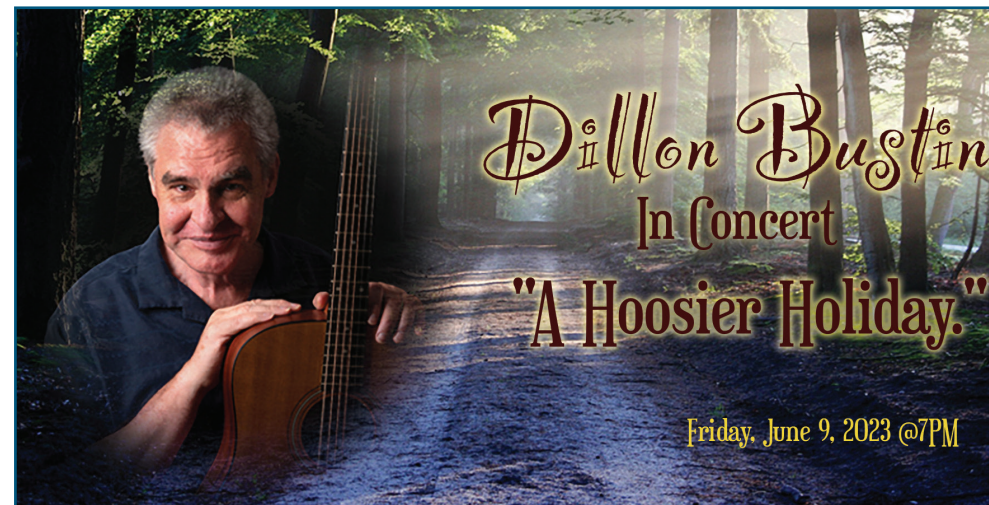
## “Ethel Rosenberg: The Short Life and Great Betrayal of an American Wife and Mother”

with **Ann Sebba**

The life of Ethel Rosenberg, executed 70 years ago even though there was no evidence against her, as the government knew. She was however a communist and her husband was involved in spying. She was 37 and left two sons orphans.

• **Ann Sebba** is a British historian and biographer, and author of eleven books. More information about Ann can be found on her website: [www.annesebba.com](http://www.annesebba.com)

music by **CommUnity Voices**



*Tickets Available on Eventbrite:*  
<https://dillonbustin-inconcert-hoosier-holiday-june-9-7pm.eventbrite.com>

Join Dillon Bustin Live and in Person at  
CCB's Lothrop Auditorium.  
(Hybrid Event)

*Free event, (\$20) donation suggested.*

## Ecuentro 5 Peña!

Latin America Style Open Mic

**Saturday: April 29th - 7p.m. until 10 p.m., CCB's Lothrop Auditorium**  
**Featuring Invited musicians, poets, storytellers and dancing. Pupusas and other refreshments!**