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ARTIST SPOTLIGHT: ANGELA TWO STARS

Interview reprinted from The Pangea World Theater newsletter

At our last public event for The Transition Stage, Pangea's Jenny Zander interviewed the brilliant artist who brought The Transition Stage to life: Angela Two Stars.

The Transition Stage is a project supported by Longfellow Rising, a group of over 20 community members that includes business owners, residents, nonprofit leaders, and more invites the community impacted by the events of the uprising to gather on the corner of Lake Street and Minnehaha to share their reflections and experiences over the last year. Community members are invited to write down their laments for our city. This project was co-commissioned by Pangea World Theater and [Holy Trinity Lutheran Church](#).

Read this interview with Angela below and learn a little more about The Transition Stage.

Hello, my name is Angela Two Stars. I am a public artist and an enrolled member of the Sisseton Wahpeton Oyate. I live here in the Twin Cities in St. Paul, and we are here in front of The Transition Stage which is a temporary art installation that is a project with Pangea World Theater and Holy Trinity Lutheran Church. We've also had assistance from BKV Group and JE Dunn Construction to create this form and this frame here on the corner of Lake Street and Minnehaha Avenue.

This artwork is a community-based, community-contribution artwork that is meant to offer this local neighborhood that was impacted by the destruction of the uprising that occurred last year after the murder of George Floyd to have a space to come together in community, in healing, and growth as they redevelop their neighborhood.

What do people see when they come here?

We are using a site that has been completely re-activated, a site that was formerly Minnehaha-Lake Wine and Spirits. The owner Steve allowed us to use the space and we installed this cocoon form. We also created an outline that from above looks like a butterfly. There are benches and flowers.

We really activated the entire site for a place of reflection and hope. For people driving by, they can see the artwork. We have hosted some community events where the community has come and offered their contributions of hopes, laments, dreams, and mottoes to sustain through difficult times, and reflections of what the community has endured over the last year.

There's been so much hope. People have a lot of reflections of things that give them hope. People of all ages have contributed. We have scribbles from a two year old, drawings from young children. We have people writing in their native languages, and it's really a piece that is a reflection of the community and the diversity of this neighborhood.

This is a temporary installation and once it comes down, I will be collecting all of these strips that people have contributed, and I will be stitching them together into one large canvas, and on the back side I will be creating a butterfly image. So it will be the transformation from a chrysalis into a butterfly, which is a metaphor for the community as they have been transforming in their own path after what they've all been through.

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TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST



READINGS

Daniel 12:1-3; Psalm 16;
Hebrews 10:11-25; Mark 13:1-8

ADULT FORUM

Holy Trinity Adult Forums now feature in-person presentations in the Bartsch Room beginning at 10:00 a.m. The presentations will also be available via Zoom for those unable to attend in person.

*ID and password remain the same:
ID 858 5687 1594; Password 317879.*

November 14 "New Member Welcome"

We will receive new members during both services on Sunday, November 14. Please come to a welcome event in the Bartsch Room where we will get to know our new members better and welcome them to the Holy Trinity community.

November 21 "The State of Our Political Life"

Dan Hofrenning, Faculty at St. Olaf College

Hofrenning's teaching focuses on American politics including campaigns and elections, environmental politics, and the intersection of religion and politics. As a scholar, he has written a book and numerous articles about a range of topics including religion, campaigns, lobbying, and issues of pedagogy.

Professor Hofrenning was born in New York and grew up in Minnesota. After studying at a seminary, he did his graduate work in political science and public policy at Duke University and the University of Minnesota.

View last Sunday's livestreamed worship service [here](#).



Angela Two Stars (photo by Jenny Zander)

(Angela Two Stars, cont.) What I think is really encouraging is that what people have offered have been really universal thoughts, hopes, and dreams as this neighborhood moves forward: reminders of people to be kind to one another, to overcome the hardships and challenges they've been through. There's a lot of hope and kindness. The space itself, as we've been hosting these community events, has been a space for people to come together and *just be with each other* after this past year of social distancing and COVID and pandemic... To be able to have people just be here in the space with each other has been a really great thing.

PARISH INFORMATION

SEEKING WORSHIP VOLUNTEERS

Please consider volunteering to serve in a ministry role at worship services. Contact Pam in the office or talk to a pastor for more information on how you can serve your church in these important ministries.

COMMUNION BREAD BAKERS NEEDED

Covid has changed the way we offer communion, but we still need loaves of communion bread for the altar. If you would like to bake communion bread, contact Pam in the office. The recipe can be found [here](#).

VOLUNTEER TO SUPPORT THE AFGHAN EVACUEES

Please consider volunteering to support the Afghan Evacuees who are in transitional shelter at a metro area hotel. Salvation Army is coordinating volunteers to help with meal delivery, donation sorting, and helping with children activities. More volunteers are needed, as an increased number of arrivals to Minnesota from the military bases is expected this month. Please go to <https://disaster.salvationarmyusa.org/volunteer/new/> to set up an online account. More information will follow regarding additional training and background check information.

If you are not able to volunteer time, you can make donations through the [Amazon Wishlist](#).

INVITATION TO BONFIRE SOCIAL EVENT NOVEMBER 19

Laura Bolstad Grafstrom, Kelsey Porter, and the 20s, 30s, 40s group invite you to Kelsey's house for a bonfire on Friday, November 19, at 7:00 p.m. They'll have cider and supplies for s'mores; feel free to BYOB. The weather may be chilly, but the company will be warm and welcoming—they'd love to see you there! RSVP to laurabolstad1@gmail.com.

MEET HOLY TRINITY'S NEW CANTOR, PHIL RADTKE

I was born in Madison, Wisconsin, but lived in Saint Paul for most of my childhood. During my early years I was always active in the church, participating not only in Sunday School and Confirmation, but also in kids' choir and worship. My love for choir and singing blossomed when I was 9 years old and I joined the MN Boychoir.

My love for organ music began when I traveled to Germany with my family and was able to see and hear the many great pipe organs in dozens of cathedrals. By eighth grade I was taking organ lessons, and I continued studying organ at the U of MN where I received a degree in organ performance. I continued my education at the University of Michigan where I received a master of church music degree. The church music degree focused on all the aspects of church music including accompanying singers, choirs, composition, and improvisation.

Outside of making music at church or teaching the singers of the MN Boychoir, you can find me doing several activities to stay busy. Over the past two years I have enjoyed hiking 25 of Minnesota's state parks, and I hope one day I will have hiked them all. I enjoy cooking, and I love to get outside and garden over the summer. While my favorite holiday is Easter, I am a bit of a Christmas nut when it comes to decorating!



LIVESTREAM 11:00 A.M. SUNDAY SERVICE ONLINE

Because of our deepened commitments to accessibility justice, a live-stream of the 11:00 a.m. service is available online every Sunday. This is a great option for people who are not ready for in-person gatherings or who are unable to travel to the church building. Click the following link at 10:55 a.m. every Sunday to livestream the service from your PC:

<https://vimeo.com/event/1341305>.

GOING DEEP AND WIDE WITH RACIAL JUSTICE

January 22 and 23, 2022

Holy Trinity members are invited to a retreat in January to deepen our individual and communal commitments to anti-racism and broaden the circle of those championing anti-racism at Holy Trinity. This facilitated gathering will also sharpen our skills critical to justice work together and strengthen relationships to mutually support justice initiatives currently underway. The retreat will be held at Holy Trinity Saturday, January 22, from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. and Sunday, January 23, from 12:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. COVID safety measures will be practiced. Meals and snacks will be provided. Open to all members. If you are interested in attending, please complete the questionnaire you'll find at <https://tinyurl.com/HTLCRetreat> by December 1 as attendance is limited. If you have any questions or have trouble accessing or filling out the questionnaire, please contact Jess Daniel Hart (jess.a.daniel@gmail.com) or Ryana Holt (ryanadh93@gmail.com).

GET TEXT MESSAGES FROM HTLC WORKING GROUPS

Holy Trinity's social justice working groups can notify you by text message when an advocacy or activism opportunity arises.

To receive these text messages, please sign up at: <https://tinyurl.com/HTActionAlert>

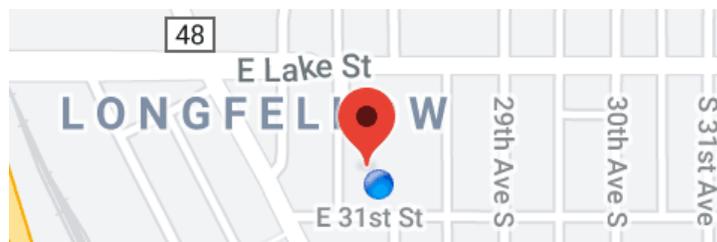
FINANCIAL COMMITMENTS FOR 2022

As we move into 2022, we ask you to prayerfully consider increasing your financial commitment to the work of Holy Trinity as generously as you are able. We hope to increase offerings by \$55,000 in the new year, which will allow us to hire a musician to lead us in song, to refine our abilities to provide meaningful online engagement for worship and education, and to replace our van with a safer alternative for our children and youth.

Please share your financial commitments, either by mailing a commitment card (call the office if you need a new one) or by submitting your pledge [here](#).

OBSERVATION FROM HT FRIEND MARTHA BECK

"I had kind of a funny thought when I was driving up Minnehaha Ave. a while ago. It occurred to me that Holy Trinity is located between the **H**owe (Daily Kitchen and Bar) and the **Y** (as the YWCA is commonly called), and that when this is said, it sounds as if you're situated exactly where you should be: between the "How" and the "Why," central questions for a church to grapple with."



PARISH EVENTS NOVEMBER 14-20

Sunday	8:45 AM	Worship Service of Holy Communion
	10:00 AM	Youth Education
	10:00 AM	Adult Forum
	10:00 AM	Gloria Ringers Rehearsal
	11:00 AM	Worship Service of Holy Communion
	2:00 PM	Swahili Service
Tuesday	11:00 AM	Worship Readings Discussion
Wednesday	1:30 PM	Adult Choir Rehearsal
	5:30 PM	Children's Choir Rehearsal
	6:45 PM	Cantate! Rehearsal

WORSHIP PARTICIPANTS FOR NOVEMBER 14, 2021

<u>8:45 AM</u>		<u>11:00 AM</u>
Angela Khabeb	Preacher	Angela Khabeb
Doug Mork	Presiding Minister	Doug Mork
<i>Needed</i>	Crucifer	Wayne Vetter
Andrew Johnson	Assisting Minister	Kris Christians
Sally & David Kohlstedt, Chris Engen, Steve Murray, D. Townsend & Marcea Mariani	Ushers	Alan Libra, Kathy Hollander & Rod Johnson, Joy Nelson, Joshua Combs, Kathy Howe, Sue Roberts
Joyce Peterson, Annie Hines	Counters	Deb Helmelt, Pam Kildahl
	Closer	Bob Hulteen