Please Join Us for a Series of Special Events with Social Justice Educator Dr. Marcos Pizarro

EquityMatterz Social Justice Dine & Dialogue
“Living Racial Justice: A Model of Daily Praxis for Teachers, Researchers, Faculty, and Community”
Friday, November 2, 2018, 6-8 p.m. East Las Vegas Community Center
This is a public event, co-facilitated by local youth, and organized around topic focused on educational equity for Southern Nevada’s P-12 students. Community members (individual or group affiliated) working to develop youth leaders and/or interested in social change are encouraged to join the conversation. Light snacks served. Please RSVP here. For more information please contact: Tonya Walls 702-777-4753 or tonya.walls@tun.touro.edu.

Youth Voices Rising
“Cultivating the Power of Youth of Color: Applying Community Cultural Wealth in Communities of Color for Educational Justice and Transformation”
Saturday, November 3, 2018, 10 a.m.-12 p.m. CSN, Charleston Campus, Building B, Classroom 104
This is a youth-focused event, open to the public, especially members of educational/community-based entities that are meaningfully engaged with young people in our community. Please RSVP here. For more information please contact: Christine Clark 702-985-6979 or chris.clark.unlv@me.com.

Professional Development
Saturday, November 3, 2018, 1-4 p.m. UNLV, Hendrix Auditorium (HEA)
This event is a paid and CU-earning professional development offering for CCSD licensed contract personnel who register through Pathlore using the search term “Equity” starting Friday October 19, 2018. If you are interested in attending this event and are unable to secure a spot through the CCSD Pathlore system, and/or if you are not a CCSD employee, please contact: Christine Clark 702-985-6979 or chris.clark.unlv@me.com.

Marcos Pizarro is Professor and Chair of Chicana and Chicano Studies at San José State University. A former school teacher, Pizarro works with Chicanx and Latinx students at various stages in their schooling to understand how interventions can help these students develop strategies to thrive in school and create social and racial justice in their communities. He: 1) coordinates MAESTRXS, a social justice teacher collective, in developing and implementing a transformative education model with Latinx communities; 2) works with schools on the development and implementation of Latinx Studies curricula to enhance Latinx student engagement; 3) co-coordinates the Institute for Teachers of Color Committed to Racial Justice, a project that provides an annual training for teachers invested in transformative practice for racial justice; and, 4) is the Faculty Fellow for Chicanx/Latinx Student Success at SJSU, a multi-faceted project that offers support to students and the university to enhance Latinx student engagement and academic success.

These events are collaboratively supported and/or sponsored by:

UNLV’s Aliendro Caminos/Opening Pathways for Students of Color into the Teaching Profession: Giving Back to the Community through Teaching project, funded by the Nevada Department of Education (NDE), Great Teaching and Leading Fund (GTLF), Dr. Norma A. Marrun, PI. The “signature” program of the project, Play2TeachLV, works to recruit Students of Color from six Clark County School District (CCSD) high schools to college and then into teaching.
CCSD’s Equity and Diversity Education Office
Touro University of Nevada’s (TUN) Code Switch grant project funded by the NoVo Foundation U.S. Girls of Color Strategic Strategy, Dr. Tonya Walls, PI, an equity-focused university-community-school collaborative with Teaching and Uniting Ladies to Inspire Positive Success (TULIPS) and local K-12 schools through the Peterson Academic Center.
TUN’s internally-funded equity-focused Project LEAD EquityMatterz participatory action research project meant to determine how best to sustain and retain educators of color committed to racial equity and social justice in P-12 schools in Southern Nevada.

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