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FEATURED GUEST LEE MUN WAH

FILMMAKER, AUTHOR, DIVERSITY TRAINER
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Diversity Lecture Series

TUESDAY
NOVEMBER 14, 2017

6:30PM — 8PM

KEYNOTE

Standing Up for Social Justice in
Times of Fear and Hatred

IVY TECH COMMUNITY COLLEGE
VECTREN AUDITORIUM

3501 N. First Avenue, Evansville, Indiana
— NO RSVP REQUIRED

WEDNESDAY
NOVEMBER 15, 2017

8:30AM — 12PM

WORKSHOP

The World is All Around Us:
Creating a Multicultural Community

OLD NATIONAL BANK
AUDITORIUM (4TH FLOOR)

1 Main Street, Evansville, Indiana
*RSVP REQUESTED

FREE ADMISSION | NO TICKET REQUIRED

FOR QUESTIONS
OR SPECIAL NEEDS, PLEASE CONTACT:

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**Evansville's Diversity Lecture Series Presents
Innovative Diversity Training with Lee Mun Wah**

*Documentary filmmaker, author, community therapist to teach residents,
educators, business leaders skills to promote cultural understanding in times of fear and hatred*

EVANSVILLE, Ind. – The Evansville Celebration of Diversity Lecture Series Board of Directors is pleased to announce internationally renowned Chinese American documentary filmmaker, author, poet, educator and master diversity trainer Lee Mun Wah as the 2017 Diversity Lecture Series distinguished guest speaker. Lee Mun Wah will offer his unique experiences and training as a community therapist and folk teller to bring people from various backgrounds together to stand up against hatred and work toward a more equitable and just community.

Lee Mun Wah will train individuals to confront racial and social justice issues using “Mindful Facilitation Techniques” that are culturally responsive and sensitive to the needs and issues of all community members. Participants will be encouraged to share personal stories and practice culturally sensitive responses while learning how to be stronger and more effective when confronting prejudice and racism. Special sessions specifically for educators and business leaders will stress the importance of cultural competency as more people from various cultures and geographic areas attend school and enter the workforce.

“Many of the issues we face today are increasingly complex as our community continues to grow in diversity,” said Evansville Mayor Lloyd Winnecke. “That is why I believe it is imperative that our citizens, first, more fully understand the intricacy of these issues and, second, have the skills necessary to discuss them in culturally-sensitive ways that build bridges among people from different backgrounds.”

Diversity Lecture Series President Danyelle Granger added, "Through his workshops and lectures, Lee Mun Wah will help our community grow in its awareness and appreciation of the diverse characteristics that make us all unique. I encourage everyone to attend the workshops."

Lee Mun Wah began his career as a resource specialist and counselor for one of the largest school districts in California. After 25 years in the public school system, he became a private schools consultant working with students with severe learning and behavioral issues. Through his company, Stirfry Seminars & Consulting, Lee Mun Wah offers cross-cultural communications awareness and conflict mediation techniques to educational institutions, social service agencies, corporations and government.

For all questions or special needs, please contact Andre Davis at 812-468-1002 or send an email to diversitylectureseries@gmail.com.

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About Lee Mun Wah

Lee Mun Wah is an internationally renowned Chinese American documentary filmmaker, author, poet, Asian folk teller, educator, community therapist and master diversity trainer. For more than 25 years he was a resource specialist and counselor in the San Francisco Unified School District. He later became a consultant to private schools, working with students that had severe learning and behavioral issues. Lee Mun Wah is now the Executive Director of Stirfry Seminars & Consulting, a diversity training company that provides educational tools and workshops on issues pertaining to cross-cultural communication and awareness, mindful facilitation, and conflict mediation techniques. Thousands of people from government and social service agencies, corporations and educational institutions have taken Lee Mun Wah's workshops and partnered with Stirfry Seminars & Consulting on their diversity initiatives.

About The Diversity Lecture Series

Initiated in 2007, Evansville's Diversity Lecture Series is a collaborative effort among the City of Evansville, University of Evansville, University of Southern Indiana, Ivy Tech Community College, Evansville Vanderburgh School Corporation, and area businesses committed to the support of diversity within the community. The Lecture Series seeks to engage Evansville and surrounding communities to explore, appreciate, and celebrate the diversity of race, culture, and ethnicity. Since its inception, the Series has brought Evansville an exceptional group of lecturers who spoke to the series' mission to raise awareness, foster understanding, and enhance diversity through open community dialogue. Those former speakers have included General Colin Powell, Earvin "Magic" Johnson, Marlee Matlin, Harry Belafonte, Queen Latifah, John Legend and more. For more information visit diversitylectureseries.org.