

## INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY CELEBRATION 2019

### Refugee Women and the Journey to Freedom: An Empowerment Summit

**Saturday March 2, 2019**  
**2:00-4:00 pm**

**University Lutheran Chapel**  
2425 College Avenue,  
Berkeley, CA 94704

**Registration:**  
[eastbayiwd2019.eventbrite.com](http://eastbayiwd2019.eventbrite.com)



**Admission:** UNA and AKA members: \$10.00;  
Community: \$15.00; Age 25 and under: Free with UNA membership. Additional donations welcome.

***Think Equal, Build Smart, Innovate For Change*** is the 2019 United Nations' theme for International Women's Day. Our panel of experts will explore innovative ways in which we can advance gender equality and the empowerment of women refugees to achieve transformative gains for society.

**Keynote Speaker: Karen Ferguson**, Executive Director, International Rescue Committee

#### Panelists:

- Job Skills Creation: **Melanie Miksis**, Fundraising and Communications, AmeriCorps VISTA at 1951 Coffee Company
- Gender and Disaster Risk Reduction: **Allyson Beach**, Fulbright-Nehru Research Scholar Alumna, South India
- Resilience and Trauma Recovery: **Leah Spelman**, Fulbright Scholar Alumna; Executive Director, Partnerships for Trauma Recovery
- Legislation and Policies: **Lisa D'Annunzio**, Development Director, Asylum Access

**Moderator: Dr. Rita Maran**, Vice President of Advocacy, United Nations Association-USA



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