

THE FIRST ANNUAL CELEBRATION OF THE CIVIC AND COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT FELLOWS

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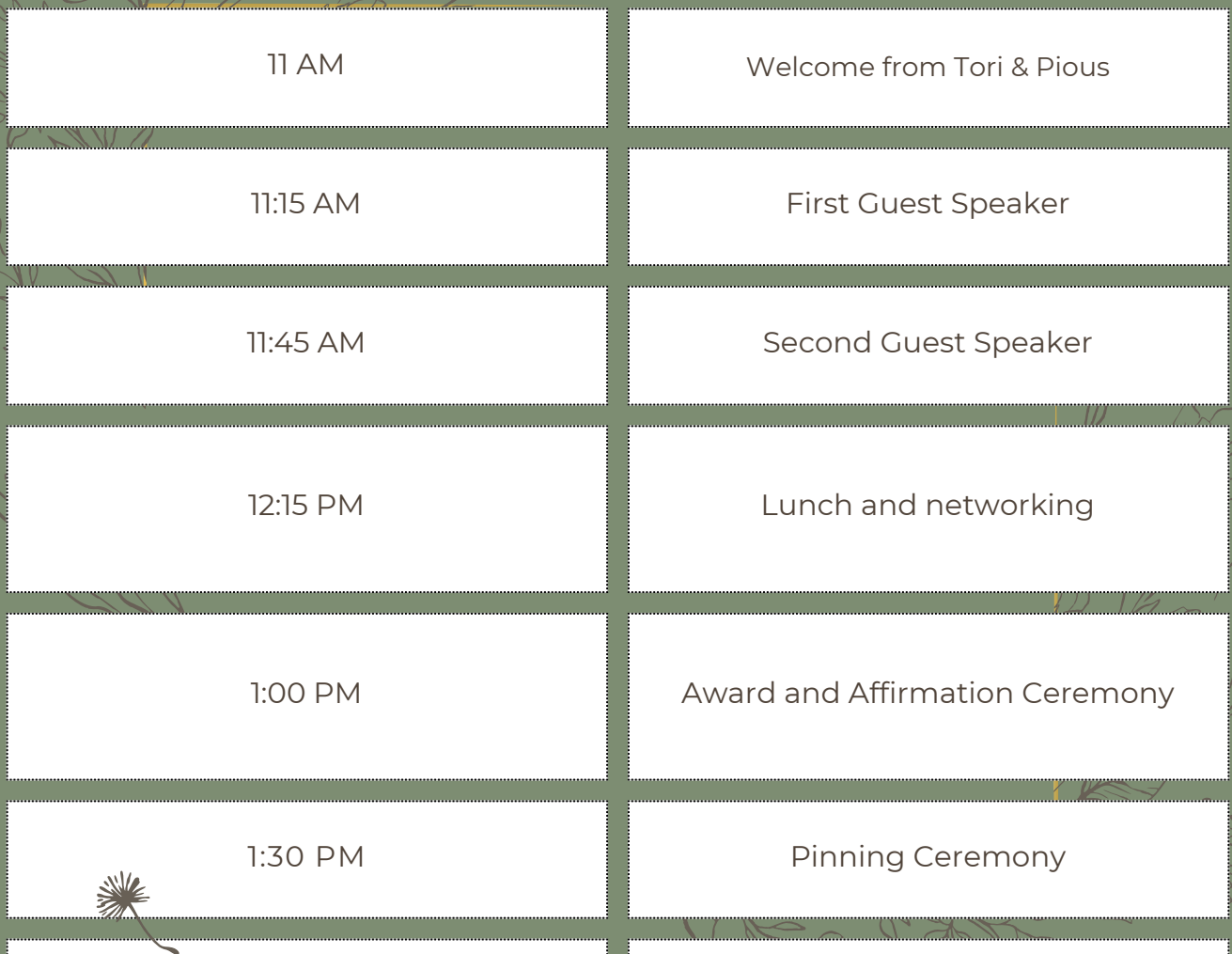


As the population of Maine continues to diversify, the need grows for civic and community engagement, inclusive and representative decision-making, and integrated community conversations.

Developed specifically for emerging adults (21-27 years old) who are immigrant and ethnic or racial minorities, the Civic and Community Engagement Fellowship (CCEF) will build leadership and professional skills to prepare Maine's emerging leaders for a life engaged in their community and their chosen careers.

This program will offer opportunities to learn from local and national seasoned leaders from similar backgrounds.

Today's Agenda



11 AM	Welcome from Tori & Pious
11:15 AM	First Guest Speaker
11:45 AM	Second Guest Speaker
12:15 PM	Lunch and networking
1:00 PM	Award and Affirmation Ceremony
1:30 PM	Pinning Ceremony
1:45 PM- 2:00 PM	Closing Remarks

WELCOME!

On behalf of Portland Empowered, we welcome you to the recognition ceremony for our 2020 and 2022 Fellows! We look forward to your support as we celebrate their accomplishments from our program, and are excited for you to meet these amazing young leaders.

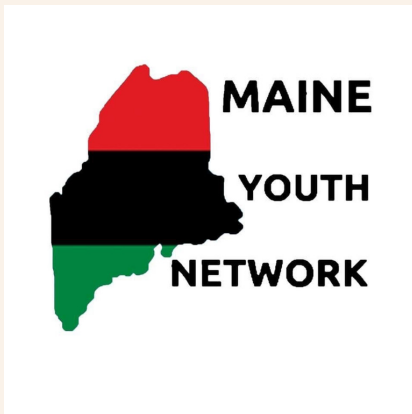
Please enjoy this booklet which will outline today's schedule of events, local organizations we're excited to support this year, and our Fellows from the 2020 and 2022 season.



HAPPY NEW YEAR! HERE ARE SOME LOCAL ORGANIZATIONS WE LOOK FORWARD TO SUPPORTING IN 2023, AND WE HOPE YOU DO TOO!



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HERE DID YOU GROW UP:

Doha, Qatar

EDUCATION:

Ideal Indian School, Westbrook High School, USM

CAREER GOALS:

Project Management

HOBBIES, PASSIONS,

INTERESTS:

Soccer, Anime, and content creation

FAVORITE THING ABOUT THE

FELLOWSHIP:

Learning and networking

FUN FACTS:

I was a pro-Track & Field athlete from the ages 10-14

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Iman Enan



WHERE DID YOU GROW UP:

Born in Iraq and moved to Portland 9 yrs ago

EDUCATION:

Working on Bachelor's Degree in psychology and minoring in history

CAREER GOALS:

Standing up for issues that I believe in, contributing positively to my community and leaving the world knowing that I made it a better place.

HOBBIES, PASSIONS, INTERESTS:

To inspire young women to do their best in different areas and always get out of their comfort zone and experience life.

FAVORITE THING ABOUT THE FELLOWSHIP:

I got to meet a lot amazing and inspiring people in our community that I didn't have the opportunity to do before.

FUN FACTS:

I go skydiving once a year but I still hate heights.

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Josephine Katandula



WHERE DID YOU GROW UP:

Kinshasa, D.R.Congo

EDUCATION:

B.S in Finance and General Management from USM

CAREER GOALS:

The end goal of my career is to gain enough connections and knowledge to work on a youth-centered project in D.R.C

HOBBIES, PASSIONS,

INTERESTS:

I love reading historical-fiction; sightseeing and drawing

FAVORITE THING ABOUT THE FELLOWSHIP:

Meeting immigrant professionals like myself and hearing about their journey

FUN FACTS:

My youngest sibling and I have a 20 years of age difference, he's adorable.

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Eisha Khan



WHERE DID YOU GROW UP:

Born in Pakistan and grew up in Texas

EDUCATION:

B.S in Psychology & Political Science, University of Houston - Downtown, M.A in Global Health and International Relations, Harvard University, Post-Genocide Restoration and Peacebuilding School for International Training

CAREER GOALS:

Being conscious and considerate of global impact and taking action in my community and environment.

HOBBIES, PASSIONS, INTERESTS:

Research, History and Learning About Different Cultures, Traveling, Trying New Foods, Arts and Fashion, Hiking

FAVORITE THING ABOUT THE FELLOWSHIP:

Exposure, access and connection

FUN FACTS:

I ran my first marathon in Rwanda in support of the International Peace Marathon.

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Sunday Maker



WHERE DID YOU GROW UP:

Portland, Maine

EDUCATION:

Political Science

CAREER GOALS:

Future Attorney

HOBBIES, PASSIONS,

INTERESTS:

Music, social justice, and theatre

FAVORITE THING ABOUT THE

FELLOWSHIP:

Making connections with others and learning to develop professionally

FUN FACTS:

I performed at the Kennedy Center in DC!

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Joelle Mikobi



WHERE DID YOU GROW UP:

Kinshasa, DRC

EDUCATION:

Associate degree in Business administration

CAREER GOALS:

Work either in HR or for NGOs like the UN

HOBBIES, PASSIONS,

INTERESTS:

Writing, Reading, learning about other cultures

FAVORITE THING ABOUT THE

FELLOWSHIP:

Listening to the panelists sharing their experiences and knowledge

FUN FACTS:

I can sleep through any type noise

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Billy Ngabire



WHERE DID YOU GROW UP:

Burundi and Maine

EDUCATION:

I went for a bachelor's degree in business administration

CAREER GOALS:

To become a developer with a concentration in affordable housing

HOBBIES, PASSIONS,

INTERESTS:

Playing or watching soccer, reading or listening to positive material

FAVORITE THING ABOUT THE FELLOWSHIP:

Meeting like-minded individuals that had inspiring dreams to change and impact their community. I also enjoyed the guest speakers.

FUN FACTS:

I can speak five languages

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Amran Osman



WHERE DID YOU GROW UP:

Lewiston, Maine

EDUCATION:

University Of Southern Maine

CAREER GOALS:

I want to be an Immigration Lawyer and keep working at my nonprofit organization Generational Noor and make a difference within my community.

HOBBIES, PASSIONS,

INTERESTS:

Reading, Traveling, Movies, photography

FAVORITE THING ABOUT THE FELLOWSHIP:

Meeting so many amazing community members who have made a difference and meeting my fellow classmates who are going to be lifelong friends

FUN FACTS:

I reread the Harry potter series and watch the movies once every year.

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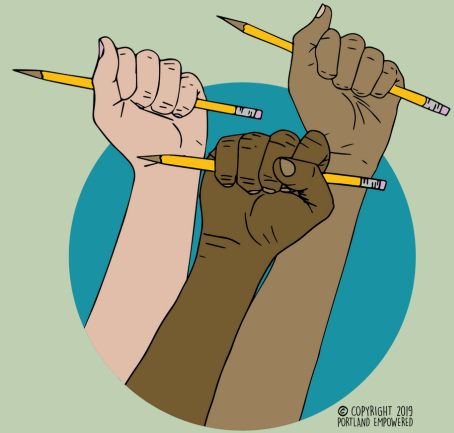
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