Celebrating Lee Everding | R.J. Ross | Building Bridges

The Iliff School of Theology proudly invites you to join us for a concert and awards presentation March 7, 2013, 7:00 p.m. University of Denver, Newman Center for the Performing Arts.

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Iliff was founded upon the ability to bring a passion for human dignity and compassion for those on the social margins. We proudly continue that tradition today. For students, Iliff has found ways to incorporate peaceful advocacy for social change and inclusion into their professional work — wherever that may be — in congregations, agencies, higher education, government, or other organizations throughout society.

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VIP Reception: 5:30-6:30 p.m.
Iliff Great Hall – 2201 S. University Blvd., Denver, CO 80210
Concert and Awards Presentation: 7:00-8:30 p.m.
University of Denver, Newman Center for the Performing Arts
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Lee Everding

Volunteer, philanthropist, founder and director of Denver Eclectics, and co-founder of the Abrahamic Initiative

Iliff honors and celebrates Lee Everding with the Courage Award for her life-long passion of providing educational venues for thousands of people through her commitment to learning, promoting tolerance, peace, and justice. She is active in numerous organizations, serves on several boards, and has received the prestigious Daniel R. Ritchie Award from the Colorado Ethics Business Alliance.

As the founder of Denver Eclectics, a local women’s group dedicated to learning about tough issues facing our world, Everding has grown the group to more than 500 members. Her commitment to educating the community is demonstrated not only through Denver Eclectics, but by the many other organizations she supports and advises.

R. J. Ross

R. J. Ross, one of the founders and recently retired president of The Samaritan Institute

Iliff honors and celebrates R. J. Ross for his life-giving work in establishing The Samaritan Institute, a nationwide system of counseling centers that offers clients low-cost mental health services emphasizing the unity of mind, body, and spirit.

As the head and one of the original founders of the Institute, Ross has worked to provide programs that have responded to the needs of congregations and communities since 1972. His life’s work has been to help thousands across the United States and abroad find needed mental health services at little or no cost.

Building Bridges

Building Bridges (formerly Seeking Common Ground) is a Denver-based non-profit organization addressing the root causes of hatred, discrimination, and violent conflict by connecting young adults face to face to those they have been taught to fear and mistrust.

Iliff honors Building Bridges for its largest program which brings American, Israeli, and Palestinian teen women together to develop personal relationships based on empathy and respect. Participants learn to see the humanity in those they thought were different from themselves, and they acquire the communication and leadership skills necessary to work towards more just, inclusive societies. For nearly 20 years, Building Bridges has been effective in creating social change agents in the Middle East, Northern Ireland, South Africa and the United States.