

Mid-Manhattan Library
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A Documentary and Discussion Local Faith Communities



"A local shining example of NYC's greatest strength."

with **Anthony Donovan**

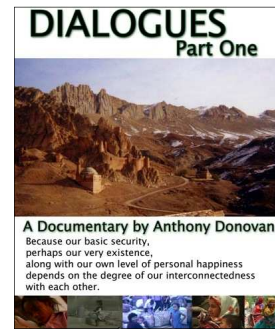
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6:30 p.m. on the 6th floor



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"*Local Faith Communities*" is a documentary which follows the tremendous diversity of NYC's faith leaders in one local neighborhood (The East Village). The work gives a personal and courageous example of these leaders joining hands for the greater good, for the greater community, standing together against hatred and prejudice, and celebrating our rich traditions. 64 minutes.

Website: www.LocalFaithCommunities.org

At one time no other place on earth was so densely populated with such religious and cultural diversity as NYC's Lower East Side. Here not only tolerance was developed, but as successive waves of our cultural centers: synagogues, churches, temples and mosques of all denominations and national origins with all our birthing pains and challenging times, formed a genuine knowledge of, and respect for each other and our differences. This greatly enriching American experiment continues today. Within in a few square blocks the audience will experience many of these often hidden significant cultural centers connecting our own hard earned fabric, and unique histories.

About the presenter:

Anthony Donovan, an award winning documentarian, author, registered nurse and a medical manager serving NYC's sick for 35 years, is a fifth generation New Yorker living in the East Village for the past 20 years. His mother is of the notable McAllister tugboat family (incorporated in NYC 1868).

Frequenting the Lower East Side for its rich music scene since 1968, that same year he began his passion and journey into Interfaith events and services throughout New York City. Being touched by the genuine service present by the local neighborhood institutions, he began the process of introducing the faith leaders to one another. His works focuses on solutions that help us face our shared challenges.

In early 2008 he developed his "Sacred Spaces" walking tour for the Lower East Side History Project.

Website: <http://www.leshp.org/tours/tour-descriptions/58-sacred-spaces>

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