

“Let’s talk it over at Mohonk”

Mohonk Consultations is an independent nonprofit dedicated to creating opportunities for the meaningful and productive exchange of ideas at the historic Mohonk Mountain House.

Visit our website for information about future programs and to sign up for email updates. There you will also find information about previous Distinguished Achievement Award recipients and past programs on peace building; environmental sustainability, and resilient communities.

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Mohonk Consultations acknowledges, with respect and gratitude, that we are living in and sustained by Lenapehoking, homeland of the Lenape peoples. The first peoples who lived here were the Esopus and Minisink peoples of the Lenni Lenape nations. Wars and Indian Removal policies forced most of the Lenape westward. Many of their descendants continue to live here; others live throughout North America. We honor all Indigenous communities—past, present, and future—as we seek to create a safe space for all.

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Mohonk Consultations 2026 Distinguished Achievement Award

Celebrating the Heart of Community Service

Sunday, June 14, 2026



MOHONK CONSULTATIONS
2026 Distinguished Achievement Award
Honoring
Colleen Geraghty

For her 36 years of lifting the spirits of countless community members, raising awareness about domestic violence and the impact of homelessness, and providing crucial assistance to people in need.

Sunday, June 14, 2026, 4:00–7:00 p.m.

Mohonk Mountain House Pavilion, New Paltz, New York

CELEBRATING THE HEART OF COMMUNITY SERVICE

Arrival and Silent Auction

- Bid on artist-made quilts (proceeds to benefit Project Linus and Family Inn)

Musical Welcome: “Lean on Me”

- Robert Bard, Betty Boomer, Debbie Lan, Steve Stanne

Mohonk Consultations Welcome

- Louisa Finn, Chair, Mohonk Consultations

Invocation

- Limina Grace Harmon, Pastor, New Connexions Methodist Church

Poem

- Kate Hymes, First Poet Laureate of Ulster County

Celebrating Colleen Geraghty

- Beatriz Valencia, Program Director, Family Inn and Darmstadt House
- Johanna Longbotham
- Shari Weingarten, Asst. Director of Children’s Services, Family of Woodstock
- Deirdre Brown, Family Court Attorney
- Nancy Schniedewind
- Tony Porter, Founder, A Call to Men (by video)

Award/Check Presentation

- Puja A. J. Thomson

Honoree Remarks

- Colleen Geraghty

Musical Tribute: “Put a Little Love in your Heart”

- Robert Bard, Betty Boomer, Debbie Lan, Steve Stanne

Buffet Dinner

- Close of silent auction

CELEBRATING THE HEART OF COMMUNITY SERVICE

I believe that service in ACTION is a means to overcoming the despair that we can feel living in this world that is so full of injustice.

Service does not have to be some grand gesture.

It can be as simple as listening to a person in need or volunteering our time and our skills to organizations that we feel passionate about.

Through service we are reminded of our shared humanity and that we can create a more inclusive and compassionate society by simple acts of kindness.

I love the word HEART because contained within the word heart are the words: EAR, HEAR, and ART.

Listening to our hearts, listening with our hearts and listening to the hearts of others can spur us into taking compassionate action on what has heart and meaning for us and for our communities.

—Colleen Geraghty

PROGRAM PARTNERS

Family of Woodstock delivers multi-program human services throughout Ulster County that seek to assist people to achieve self-sufficiency and self-respect, including: crisis intervention services, emergency shelters (such as **Family Inn**), child care programs, case management and care coordination services, and food programs. familyofwoodstockinc.org

Hudson Valley LGBTQ+ Community Center provides services, programs, events, and professional resources to unite the lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender and queer/questioning community across lines of age, race, gender and economics. lgbtqcenter.org

New Paltz Committee for Shelter Outreach issues “Certificates of Appreciation” for volunteers and donors.

Project Linus has chapters in all 50 states that provide love, a sense of security,

warmth and comfort to children who are seriously ill, traumatized, or otherwise in need through the gifts of new handmade blankets and afghans. projectlinus.org

Tony Porter/A Call to Men engages men on domestic violence and sexual assault prevention as well as promoting healthy and respectful manhood. acalltomen.org

Resilient Child Fund awards grants to therapists to ensure that every child who has experienced trauma or toxic stress has access to life-saving Expressive Art Therapy techniques grounded in music, art, drama, dance/movement, and play. resilientchildfund.org

Ulster Immigrant Defense Network works to shape a society where everyone is welcome and respected by providing safety and support to immigrants regardless of status. ulsterimmigrantdefensenetwork.org