

Living with More Than One Tradition – call for contributions

We are calling for contributions to this free online event on Monday 18th and Thursday 21st October (afternoon and evening sessions UK time).

Living with more than one tradition can take many forms. Our interest began with religious traditions but includes as traditions faiths, spiritualities, philosophies, practices, and more. This gathering will enable people who have personal experience of living in interfaith settings or belonging to more than one tradition to come together with academics who research multiple religious belonging and interfaith matters to explore what it's really like.

We invite contributions that address the following questions or related issues:

- What is it like to live with more than one tradition? What is it like to belong to more than one religion? What is it like to have a family which includes multiple faiths? How does it feel? What are the social implications?
- How do religious traditions respond to individuals or families who also have connections to other traditions? What happens when terms like 'convert', 'seeker', or 'hybrid identity' are used? Who is welcomed or excluded and why?
- How does being part of one or more traditions relate to other identities? What happens at the intersection of religious or spiritual identity and race, class, gender, disability, sexuality, and other social power dynamics?
- What patterns emerge when we look at the big picture? Where in the world is it normal to participate in more than one tradition? Where is it seen as exceptional and why? Which religions are commonly combined and which combinations of traditions are rare?

Contributions could take many forms, including:

- A poetry reading, film, dance, song, play or similar
- A workshop or discussion session
- A presentation
- An essay
- A visual artwork such as a painting or poster

Contributions could be static (shared on a password protected website), delivered live by video conferencing, or combine these approaches (something to read, listen to, or look at in advance followed by a discussion). We can be flexible about time but expect that contributions offered live will normally last from 10 minutes to 30 minutes.

To offer a contribution, please send a title and a short description (50-100 words)

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