

6/29 VCLN Workshop

Coming (Back) Together: Hosting Local Events that Draw a Crowd and Build Community

Jon Copans : Great Podcast about the Hardwick Community Supper - <https://rumbleshootstripvermont.com/2021/03/free-soup/>

Jon Copans : <https://campmeade.today/>

Nick Kramer : Great burger!

Becca White - Efficiency Vermont : Do you work with your municipality (parks and rec, etc) or is this a separate venture with Camp Meade?

Deborah Granquist : I'm from Weston. We have not had a community-wide event for a while. But we do seem to have small group events but they tend to draw from their own affinity group rather than from the community as a whole. How important do we think having a community wide event is — that draws from all parts of the community.

Emily Rosenbaum (she/her) : That's my trick, too, Maria!

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Jon Copans : <https://www.priyaparker.com/thebook>

Alana Phinney-ParkDancing.org : <https://dinerenblanc.com>

Alana Phinney-ParkDancing.org : Jon - I'd love to do a fuller presentation at some point on this work. We also have an "orchestra pit" with hand instruments so people can engage in many ways, Seated as well.

Alana Phinney-ParkDancing.org : Park Dancing is also FREE. We fortunately received a grant from Revitalizing Waterbury to provide this important multi-generational, new way to come together.

Emily Maclure : Love that folks are so passionate about community building. It is part of the magic of Vermont! Thank you all!!!

Maria French she/her : Yes to library involvement and to houses of worship! And a strong relationship with the town hall.

Deborah Granquist : This has been very interesting. But gotta run! Thank you VCRD and all participants.

Maria French she/her : Yes I need to go too. Thank you so much for organizing this!

Emily Rosenbaum (she/her) : I'd also like to talk about substance use at events. How can we make events recovery-friendly? Without seeming holier than thou?

Alana Phinney-ParkDancing.org : Yes - thank you all for listening and sharing. Wonderful to engage with you today. Thanks, Jon!

Becca White - Efficiency Vermont : Thanks for a great webinar- well done!