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Happy New Year from Your UUA

Thank you for your support of our UUA in 2014! Your contributions made so much possible this past year, and we look forward to working together to do even more in 2015.

In December, together, we celebrated generosity with Giving Tuesday - UUs gave and talked about generosity in record numbers. We learned that your support enabled our new UUA headquarters to earn LEED Platinum certification, putting our 7th principle into practice. And we resolved to live our shared values each and every day in 2015.

Thank you for your generous support of Unitarian Universalism. [Your gifts](#) are making a difference!



Upgrade Your Organizing with Standing on the Side of Love and Groundswell

Standing on the Side of Love and Groundswell are teaming up to bring you a special webinar on online organizing. It will be a chance to learn about using digital tools to amplify your faith-rooted work for change.

Join us on Wednesday, January 14th at 2pm EST as the Groundswell trainers share case studies, practical tips, and skills in digital chaplaincy.

[RSVP](#) to reserve your spot today.

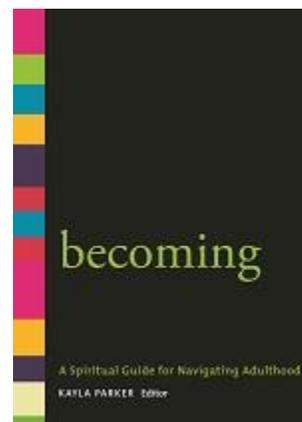


Get Your Free Copy of *Becoming: A Spiritual Guide for Navigating Adulthood*

Skinner House Books, in collaboration with UUA Youth and Young Adult Ministries, has just published *Becoming: A Spiritual Guide for Navigating Adulthood* - and you can get a copy for free!

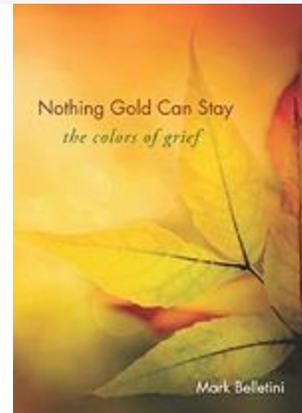
Edited by seminarian Kayla Parker, *Becoming* is a spiritual companion for young adults and all who live amid transitions and tensions. Carefully selected readings address themes that are prominent for people in their twenties and early thirties, including: passion and purpose, identity, community, losing and finding, and justice and creation.

Thanks to the generosity of John F. and Susan B. Smith, this book is available for free while supplies last. Copies are already being sent to young adult and campus ministry groups as well as bridging youth, and are available by request to anyone who would like one. To request a copy, please email youngadults@uua.org.



Exploring the Universal Experience of Grief

In *Nothing Gold Can Stay: The Colors of Grief* from Skinner House Books, seasoned minister Mark Belletini explores the many and varied forms of grief through twenty-two simple yet profound reflections. These honest, poetic essays address the way we respond to loss of people, loss of love, loss of focus, and loss of the familiar—understanding that grief is as much a part of our lives as breathing. Belletini uses specific and personal stories to open up to the universal experience. *Nothing Gold Can Stay* is a gift of awareness, showing how the shades of grief serve our deepest needs.



[Your generous gifts](#) to the UUA help to support Skinner House Books so that they can produce this and many other UU titles. Thank you!

[Order your copy today from the UUA Bookstore.](#)

Selma Sunday: New Resources Available

On Sunday, March 8, we invite you and your congregation to commemorate the 50th anniversary of the historical events in Selma, AL, when Unitarian Universalists responded to Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.'s call to join him and "help to bear the burden".



New resources are available to help you plan a worship service or discussion to honor the history of Selma and address the ongoing issues of racism and civil rights in America.

[Learn more about Selma Sunday and explore new resources.](#)

Want to Experience a UUA Board of Trustees Meeting?

Ever wonder what goes on at UUA Board of Trustees meetings? Our Board of Trustees will be gathering in Boston January 16-18, and you are invited to take part by streaming the meetings live.



Review the meeting agenda and connect to the live stream on the [January 2015 Board Packet](#) page.

In March, the UUA Board of Trustees will hold their meeting in Selma, AL, and take part in ceremonies and

the historic events of 1965.



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