



*Please join us for our December meeting,*

# ***Celebrating Family Holiday Traditions***

**Thursday, December 17<sup>th</sup>, 2020 • 1-2pm New York Time**

*In celebration of the holidays, please join us for our fourth annual celebration and cultural exchange of different family holiday traditions. The program will include personal reflections from guest speakers and an opportunity for attendees to share recipes, decorations, and foods from their family holiday traditions. This meeting will be held virtually via Zoom web conferencing software. In the spirit of the holidays, the virtual meeting room will be kept open until 2:30 for socializing and networking.*

**Please RSVP via the following link by 6pm EST Wednesday, December 16<sup>th</sup>:**

**<https://forms.gle/XbX9ncokE9JTRgxTA>**

## Concept Note

Many different cultures and religions celebrate holidays around this time of year, and the family plays a unique role in preserving and passing on these traditions. Many families create their own family customs as well, which are then passed on to the next generation, which can preserve and adapt them. These may shift and blend through the years, yet they create intergenerational links, fostering a sense of identity and self in the young who feel connected to those who came before them. In an increasingly global world, these traditions provide a connection to the past and guideposts for the future.

The meeting will provide an opportunity for cultural exchange and community experience discussing family and culture in a holiday context. Like many traditions, this year ours will be held via Zoom. In lieu of our traditional potluck, we invite attendees to share favorite holiday recipes of their own or by online link via the form before, which we will share with committee members. Attendees will also have a chance to describe their own holiday traditions during the general discussion. Participants can share in various ways, such as showing a favorite holiday treat, describing a holiday tradition, or showing your holiday decorations via webcam.

**NGO Family Committee NY 2020 Holiday Recipe Collection Link for submissions:**

**<https://forms.gle/937pZMn36g8VUqmR6> (note: this is not an RSVP for the event; see form above).**

