

Pagan Way

40th Anniversary Lecture Series

ADMISSION IS FREE

When:

Nov. 13 & 20 Dec. 4 & 11

Where:

First Unitarian Congregational Society Sanctuary Corner of Pierrepont & Monroe Brooklyn Heights, NY 11201

RSVP:

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Directions:

Call (718) 624-5466 or visit http://www.fuub.org

Nov. 13:

NY Pagan History: How we got to where we are today.

With Michael Lloyd, author of "Bull of Heaven: The Mythic Life of Eddie Buczynski and the Rise of the New York Pagan," with introductory remarks from Margot Adler, author of "Drawing Down the Moon" and award-winning NPR correspondent.

Nov. 20:

Male/Female Polarities in Paganism: Do we need them? With the Lady Rhea (Ria Rivera), NYC pagan community elder and founding high priestess of the Minoan Sisterhood, and Gary Suto, founder of the New York City Gay Men's Open Pagan Magick Circle

Dec. 4:

Walking the Talk: Pagan Ethics, Spirituality and the Environment

with Silkie O-Ishi Robinson, founder and high priestess of the Grailwood Coven, and Courtney Weber, high priestess of the Novices of the Old Ways Coven, two NYC-based covens dedicated to applying Pagan ethics to advance environmental and animal rights.

Dec. 11:

Evolution of Modern Paganism: Who and Where We Are Today

Panel discussion with "Drawing Down the Moon" author Margot Adler, Lexa Roséan, author of "The Supermarket Sorceress" and "Bitchin' at the Gods: Celebrating the Pagan Soul -- Our Own Stories of Inspiration and Community," and Matthew Sawicki, a Witch with over 20 years experience in the Craft and a member of several traditions spanning the NYC and Los Angeles areas.

Forty years ago at Midsummer 1972, The Warlock Shop opened for business in Brooklyn Heights. This store was owned by Herman Slater and Eddie Buczynski at 300 Henry Street. In addition to advertising in the *Village Voice*, they created a lecture series in November of 1972, to help build the Pagan community as well as to draw customers back to their store, which quickly became a vibrant nexus of Pagan activity.

The lectures were held in a variety of places including the First Unitarian Universalist Society in Brooklyn. On the 40th anniversary of one of the first recorded interfaith outreach efforts between a NYC Pagan group and a church, First UU Brooklyn (FUUB) will once again host the lectures with moderation by the progressive FUUB minister of religious education and *Huffington Post* blogger Rev. Jude Geiger (Twitter @revjudegeiger).





(above) Herman Slater. (left) The Magickal Childe storefront at its Manhattan location.



A full account of how the Warlock Shop came about and eventually moved to Manhattan to become the Magickal Childe, along with an in depth history of the New York City Pagan community can be found in Michael Lloyd's book, *Bull of Heaven: The Mythic Life of Eddie Buczynski and the Rise of the New York Pagan* available at http://lulu.com.

