

The Gratitude Festival

Come for the live music, the fireworks, and the beer that won't be there

Stay for the panel discussion, the stories, the inspiration

If Gratitude were a place, it would surely hold an annual gratitude festival to plumb the secrets of gratitude and trade stories about the obvious and un-obvious gifts we gather on this journey. In fact, Gratitude is a place we can go to and there is going to be a festival!

The Gratitude Festival will take place on Tuesday, August 3 from 12 noon - 1 pm and is open to all Northern Light employees, friends, and family. Just hop on the **Zoom Express** to hear a provocative discussion about gratitude from a panel of gratitude practitioners, hear some of their tips on the topic and share your own insights and stories.





Panel discussion -- Warrior Gratitude

Can gratitude be used protectively, as a radical means of defense when things are bad? Is defensive gratitude really gratitude? Is "using" gratitude counter to the spirit of gratitude?



Randi Fisher, Benefits Manager, Home Office "Gratitude is a choice. It lends a hand and kindness to those around you."



Andy VanEss, Wellness
Program Manager, Beacon
"Gratitude turns what we have into enough."



Angela Fileccia, LCSW,
Director, Healthy Life
Resources, Acadia My gratitude
quote is from my favorite
author, Kurt Vonnegut: 'When
things are going sweetly and
peacefully, please pause a
moment, and then say out loud,
"If this isn't nice, what is?""



Greg Bridges-Music, M Div.,
LCPC, Chaplain for Spiritual
Support Services, Inpatient
Pediatric Clinician, Acadia
"Gratitude is a healing ointment
for the soul. It provides salve for
gaining enlarging perspective on
the inevitable changes, stresses
& losses one encounters in life:
growth rather than brokenness."

Yemaya St. Clair, .LCPC-C,
Counselor & Trainer, Work
Force EAP
"Gratitude is like a magnet; the
more grateful you are, the more
you will receive to be grateful
for." Iyanla Vanzant