

Program Committee

This committee selects, in coordination with potential presenters, relevant topics to present after the rise of Meeting and after our half hour of social time and other times, as appropriate. We publicize these presentations on the Meeting's website, in the Miscellany and by spoken announcements after the rise of Meeting. Typically, each presentation that we organize takes approximately an hour. Programs can be longer, and may take place on a Saturday or an evening, depending upon the needs of the Meeting. The second Sunday of the month is excepted, due to Business Meeting, as is the occasional fifth Sunday, which is reserved for singing.

Mission: Our programs are intended to foster the familiarity of member and attenders with each other through spiritual journeys, with exploring the work of the Meeting itself (i.e. Committee functions), and through topics of concern and relevance to the meeting as a whole. We also include presentations about member activities that may be of interest. When there is conflict or inspiration at Meeting, we attempt to create program hours that will be helpful in moving things forward in a positive direction. Programs that foster knowledge and insight about Quaker history and spirituality are also an important focus. Our topics may be spiritual or secular, but usually involve some of each.

Committee Membership: 3-5 people, reviewed annually.

Committee Responsibilities:

1. Find people who are willing to share spiritual journeys.
2. Generate topics that will be of interest to and help for the Meeting as a whole. Find people to lead the programs.
3. Be receptive to suggestions from others about programs they would like to see presented.
4. Communicate with the Clerk and other Committees to schedule programs that educate Meeting as a whole about our healthy functioning.
5. Put the information about upcoming presentations on the Meeting's website, in the Miscellany (both calendar and article, if the latter is appropriate), write an announcement to be read at Meeting for two Sundays prior to the event, and on the day of the presentation itself.
6. Meet at least quarterly to assure that the above responsibilities are fulfilled, to continue to seek ways to serve the community's need to grow spiritually, and to seek ways that support a healthy, vibrant, authentic spiritual community.
7. Create a brief summary once per year that outlines our activity.

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