

ENCUENTRO: Latinx youth/Young Adult identities and Ministry

This Encuentro will consider some of the institutions and issues shaping the lives and identities of Latinx young people today

-DRAFT SCHEDULE-

Wednesday July 18th *(To consider: what/where are our roots? what does it mean to be separated from our roots and to replant our roots in foreign land that often feels like concrete!)*

1:00p.m.- 4:00p.m. Pre-Encuentro gathering orientation for HYL A high school students

3:00p.m. Ice cream Social & Registration

5:00p.m. DINNER

6:30p.m. Welcome and Opening Ritual

7:00p.m. **Opening Session**

LECTURE: *“Realities of our Latinx youth & Young Adults: a sociological perspective”*

Dr. Jonathan Calvillo, Boston University School of Theology

RESPONSE: by HYL A, Raices Latinas, Other Church leadership

9:15 p.m. Reception

Thursday July 18th *(To consider: ways that people grow out of the concrete, how they make lemonade out of the lemons they’ve been given)*

7:30a.m. BREAKFAST

8:45a.m. Opening Ritual

9:00a.m. **PANEL:** *“Latinx youth/YA Ministerial practices/initiatives and the institutional church”*
(HYL A and RL graduates involved in ministry)

10:15a.m. **BREAK** (Networking opportunities)

10:45a.m. **PANEL RESPONSE:** *“Challenges and Opportunities for Latinx students within the Church and the Academy”* (Latinx Clergy and Faculty)

12:00p.m. **LUNCH**

2:00p.m. **PANEL:** *“Latinx youth/YA and other spaces and issues of consequence”*
-Correctional system and the Issue of Mass Incarceration

3:30p.m. **RESPONSE** by HYL A, Raices Latinas, Other Church leadership
(Facilitated dialogue in working groups)

4:45p.m. **A BREAK FOR OPEN MIC: it is about our souls and spirits**
Spoken word, music, and other artistic expressions by youth/YA

6:00p.m. **DINNER**

6:30p.m. Time for Networking and Exploration of Boston
HYL A after Dark (only for High School Students)

Friday July 20th *(To consider: how do we bear, support and encourage our own fruits? Our own light? Our vocation? Our dreams and imagination?)*

7:30a.m. BREAKFAST

8:45a.m. Opening Ritual

9:00a.m. **PANEL:** *“Latinx youth/YA as agents of change in the community”*
(HYL A and RL graduates involved in organizing, art, etc.)

10:15a.m. **BREAK** (Networking opportunities)

10:45a.m. **PANEL RESPONSE:** *“Challenges and Opportunities for Latinx students within the Church and the Barrios”*
-Los Barrios and issues of Latinx identities

(Latinx Clergy and community organizers)

12:00p.m. **LUNCH**

2:00p.m. **PANEL:** *“Latinx youth/YA and other spaces and issues of consequence”*
- Latinx youth and Young Adults in the Military as an institution
- Barrios and the issue of Immigration

3:30a.m. **BREAK** (Networking opportunities)

4:00p.m. **RESPONSE** by HYLA, Raices Latinas, Other Church leadership
(Facilitated dialogue in working groups)

6:00p.m. **NETWORKING DINNER**

Sharing about youth and young Adult programs, initiatives, resources

7:00p.m. **CLOSING RITUAL AND A CALL TO ACTION**

Saturday July 21th *(To consider: How do we prepare and celebrate Our own light)*

7:30a.m. **BREAKFAST**

8:45a.m. Opening Ritual

9:00a.m. 12:00noon **CONTEXTUAL SITE VISITS**

1:00p.m.- 5:00p.m. Prepare for celebration, rest, networking meetings

5:00p.m. **Quinceañera**/HYLA graduation – Marsh Chapel

6:30p.m. **Quinceañera**/15th anniversary Banquet Celebration

Saturday July 21th *(To consider: How do we prepare and celebrate Our own light)*

7:30a.m. **BREAKFAST/Return home**

8:30a.m. Networking meetings (optional)