

Better Living through Critical Thinking at Hotel Louisville's Homeless Shelter

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Hotel Louisville is a fully functioning hotel that is owned and operated by Wayside Christian Mission, the largest homeless shelter in Kentucky. The hotel is open to the public and is staffed by screened and vetted Wayside resident clients. It is the only hotel in the nation that is owned and operated by a homeless shelter. Wayside Christian Mission was awarded UofL's Community Partner of the Year Award in 2012 and has worked closely with i2a to incorporate critical thinking into their programming. The Paul Elder framework of critical thinking was incorporated into the development of customized critical thinking tools for use in hotel/hospitality training, addiction recovery sessions, conflict resolution sessions, and other activities focused on helping all Wayside clients lead better lives through better thinking.



Drs. Edna Ross and Nina Moseley, Chief Operating Officer of Hotel Louisville, will discuss collaborations between UofL and Hotel Louisville and ways in which students, faculty, and staff may volunteer. The LALS Program will erect a Day of the Dead altar in the lobby of Hotel Louisville and plan other volunteer activities. Pizza will be served.

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12:00-1:00pm

Shumaker Research Building, Room 139



Dr. Edna Ross is an Associate Professor of Psychology at the University of Louisville. She has a joint appointment with the Delphi Center for Teaching and Learning as the Specialist for Critical Thinking for the Ideas to Action multi-year campus initiative. She is also the critical thinking consultant for the Education Division of the New York Times. Dr. Ross has received several awards for teaching and student involvement including the College of Arts and Sciences' peer conferred Distinguished Teaching Award, the student nominated Faculty Favorite Award, the Black Faculty and Staff Faculty Recognition Award, and the Porter Scholars' Outstanding Faculty Recognition Award. She was nominated in 2014 for the CASE and The Carnegie Foundation's United States Professors of the Year award.

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