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Still Time to Register for Today's Speaker Series Event Featuring Survivor Interview



CIRCLE OF HOPE

Speaker's Series featuring
Julia Hubbard

Meet Our Speaker: Julia is a survivor turned investigator specializing in Criminal Profiling, Human Trafficking, Open Source Intelligence, E-Commerce Fraud, and Social Media Intelligence. She is also a senior board member of the VA Coalition Against Human Trafficking and an Ambassador for Amara Legal Center.

Join Amara Legal Center in
Recognizing human Trafficking
Awareness month on

JANUARY 20TH
12:30 - 2:00 PM ET

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Moderated by
Amara's Communications Associate
Kyla Woods



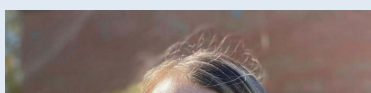
There is still time to register for our "Circle of Hope" Speaker Series event today, from 12:30pm-2:00pm!

In recognition of Human Trafficking Awareness Month, Amara kicks-off its monthly 2022 Speaker Series with Amara Ambassador and Survivor Advocate Julia Hubbard. Please join us for this discussion to hear about Julia's lived experience and her journey towards empowerment.

The 2021-2022 "Circle of Hope" campaign represents Amara's diverse community, our holistic and culturally-sensitive approach to helping survivors fight for justice, and our training and advocacy efforts to increase awareness and push for equity. We look forward to seeing you tomorrow!

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Welcome Amara's Spring Semester Interns



Elaney Elliott is a 3L at Roger Williams University School of Law. She graduated from the University of Wyoming in 2019, where she



studied International Relations with a focus on transitional justice.

During her undergraduate career, Elaney participated in a series of community healing and transitional justice programs which exposed her to the wide-ranging needs of survivors of systemic discrimination and abuse, particularly those of women in Indigenous American communities. Her interest in compassionate advocacy led her to Rhode Island, where a vibrant and outspoken commercial sex work community leads efforts to address the reality of human trafficking in the state.

Those outreach programs sparked her interest in better understanding and meeting the unique needs of such a complex, underserved population. The Amara Legal Center's practical, yet, fierce client representation and long-term focus on cultivating a network of resources and trauma-informed legal support for survivors of human trafficking drew her to the organization.

"I've always believed that the legal community should act as a tool of empowerment for their clients from at-risk and disadvantaged populations. Working at the Amara Legal Center provides me the ability to learn from skilled advocates whose compassion and commitment to service is a model for the advocate I hope to become."

Rani Allan is a 3L at George Washington Law School, where he participates in the Domestic Violence Project clinic. As a social justice advocate, he has an interest in having victims uplift their voices and to use the tools of the law to zealously advocate for the empowerment of individuals who are victimized.



Rani has a Bachelor's from CUNY Hunter College, where he also completed a Certificate in Human Rights. He also interned for various community-centered organizations, such as Lawyers for Human Rights in South Africa, where he worked to research ways of ensuring the protection of undocumented and unaccompanied migrant children.

Additionally, he has conducted research for Lawyers Without Borders on sex trafficking and labor trafficking on an international level. Rani's human rights background and conviction in social justice led him to discover the unjust vulnerability of survivors of sex trafficking. His goal as an intern is to further learn about the legal tools and resources available to victims, how to utilize those tools in a way that advances victims' rights in a trauma-informed way, and to better understand the gaps in the system that make victims short of meeting their basic needs.

"Subsequent to my entry to the GW Law Domestic Violence Project, I was told about the Amara Legal Center and the kind of trauma-informed work it offers to survivors of sex trafficking. I knew from the start the work Amara offers is much compatible with my keenness to build legal advocacy for people who are exploited. Interning with Amara allows me to learn how I can be a better agent for victim protection, as well as to connect this work with issues facing survivors of other forms of violence."



Sarah Kolick (she/her) is a 3L at The George Washington University School of Law in Washington, DC. She graduated from Smith College in 2019, where she double majored in East Asian Languages and Government.

After entering law school, Sarah interned at the ABA Commission on Law and Aging, Feminist Majority Foundation, the Asian Pacific American Legal Resource Center, Health and Human Services' Office of Elder Justice and Adult Protective Services, and Human Rights First. Later in life, after graduating from law school this

spring, Sarah plans to work with survivors of elder abuse and domestic violence at Cleveland Legal Aid.

Sarah's mom volunteered at a domestic violence shelter and would share her experiences. When Sarah was required to volunteer for a day as part of her 7th grade class's day of service project, she chose to volunteer at a domestic violence shelter. This experience ignited Sarah's passion for empowering survivors of gender forms of violence. At Smith College, Sarah studied the systemic disparities that trans survivors of sex work in particular encounter when accessing justice. This passion for gender justice led her to intern with Amara this semester.

"I am excited to be part of an organization that actively advances the rights of survivors of sex work and trafficking through a model of client empowerment."

Register for the "Know Your Rights" Training on January 25th



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KNOW YOUR RIGHTS: TOOLS FOR 2022

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TUESDAY | JAN. 25 | 5 PM ET

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In honor of Human Trafficking Awareness Month, the Prince George's County Human Trafficking Task Force and Montgomery County Human Trafficking Prevention Committee invite you to attend a community discussion featuring the Amara Legal Center and the Homeless Persons Representation Project. The discussion will focus on:

- Human trafficking
- Crime victim rights
- Crime reporting
- Rights when interacting with law enforcement
- Eviction
- Housing rights and tenant rights

This event is free and open to the public!



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This event is sponsored by the Prince George's Human Trafficking Task Force and the Montgomery County Human Trafficking Prevention Committee.

We look forward to seeing you!

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