

MOUNTAIN SKY CONFERENCE

CONVERSATION WITH AUTHOR DEBBY IRVING



**Friday, August 21st
5 - 7 PM**

Please register by
Wednesday the 19th to
receive a Zoom link.

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Debby Irving brings to racial justice the perspective of working as a community organizer and classroom teacher for 25 years without understanding racism as a systemic issue or her own whiteness as an obstacle to grappling with it. She struggled to make sense of tensions she could feel but not explain in racially mixed settings. Debby now devotes herself to working with white people exploring the impact white skin can have on perception, problem-solving, and engaging in racial justice work. Her book, *Waking Up White*, tells the story of how she went from well-meaning to well-doing and how she unpacked her own long-held beliefs about colorblindness, being a good person, and wanting to help people of color. She reveals how each of these well-intentioned mindsets actually perpetuated her ill-conceived ideas about race.