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PRESS RELEASE

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WHAT: A one day guided 3-1/2 mile walking tour entitled "Follow the Footsteps of Margaret Fuller in New York City!" Or take a pedi-cab – or even a bus!

WHY: To celebrate Margaret Fuller's 200th Bicentennial (1810-1850)!

WHEN: Saturday, May 22, 2010, 10 AM – 3 PM

WHERE: Meet in Peter Detmold Park by the Gazebo, E. 49th and FDR Drive, New York City, following down 2nd Ave. to Bowery, to Columbus Park, to City Hall, to Oliva's Restaurant for lunch and entertainment of skits about Margaret Fuller's friends and 19th century song fest.

WHO: Everyone interested in Margaret Fuller is invited! Guides will be actors costumed as Fuller's friends, and Reena Kondo, Laurie James, Phyllis Andrews. Sponsored by The Margaret Fuller Bicentennial Committee, a special project of UUWA and UUW&R-Metro District. Co-Sponsored by The Outdoors Club, Inc. Funded in part by The Fund for Unitarian Universalism, The New York Council for the Humanities, and UUWA.

HOW MUCH: \$10.00 donation. Reservations a must for Pedi-cab; bus fare and lunch payable on your own.

For Immediate Release. . . . Imagine walking 3-1/2 miles every day on an unpaved road to go to work. That's what Margaret Fuller (1810-1850) did when she worked on Horace Greeley's *New York Daily Tribune*. Or maybe she would take the omnibus.

You are invited to celebrate Margaret Fuller's 200th Bicentennial by following her footsteps – but on paved roads – or even by bus or reserved pedi-cab!

It's a unique one day tour that will "Follow the Footsteps of Margaret Fuller in New York City," guided by actors costumed as Fuller's friends, Horace Greeley, Ralph Waldo and Lidian Emerson, Henry David Thoreau, Lydia Maria Child, Julia Ward Howe, Edgar Allen Poe, James Freeman Clark, Anne Lynch and others. Along the way these friends will "Speak Out" about their experiences with Margaret Fuller.

Fee is a donation of \$10, with pedi-cab, bus fare, and lunch on your own. The tour is sponsored by The Margaret Fuller 2010 Bicentennial Celebration, a special project of UU Woman's Association and UU Women & Religion-Metro District, co-sponsored by The Outdoors Club, Inc., and funded in part by The Fund for Unitarian Universalism, The New York Council for the Humanities, and UUWA.

Starting location is where Margaret Fuller lived at Horace Greeley's Farm – now Peter Detmold Park at 49th and First Ave. (at FDR Drive), where you'll find Margaret Fuller and her friends. Then we'll follow Fuller's footsteps down 2nd Ave, connecting with the Bowery, through Little Italy and Chinatown, stopping at Columbus Park, the nineteenth century heart of the Five Points area, where we'll have a second "Speak Out", after which we'll stroll over to City Hall park to observe the location of the *Tribune* office. The tour will culminate in Oliva's Restaurant for lunch and an entertainment featuring skits and a nineteenth century song fest.

The guides include Heidi Siegfried, Jim Peborde, Reena Kondo, chair of UUWA and UU Women & Religion-Metro District and author/actor Laurie James, winner of the Margaret Fuller Award. Others are Stephen Anderson, Neil Blonstein, Janice Formichella, Maureen Holder, Paul Johnson, Valerie Lynch, Tim Muench, and Kenneth Wachtell. Contact: Reenakondo@verizon.net. More information on www.margaretfuller.info.