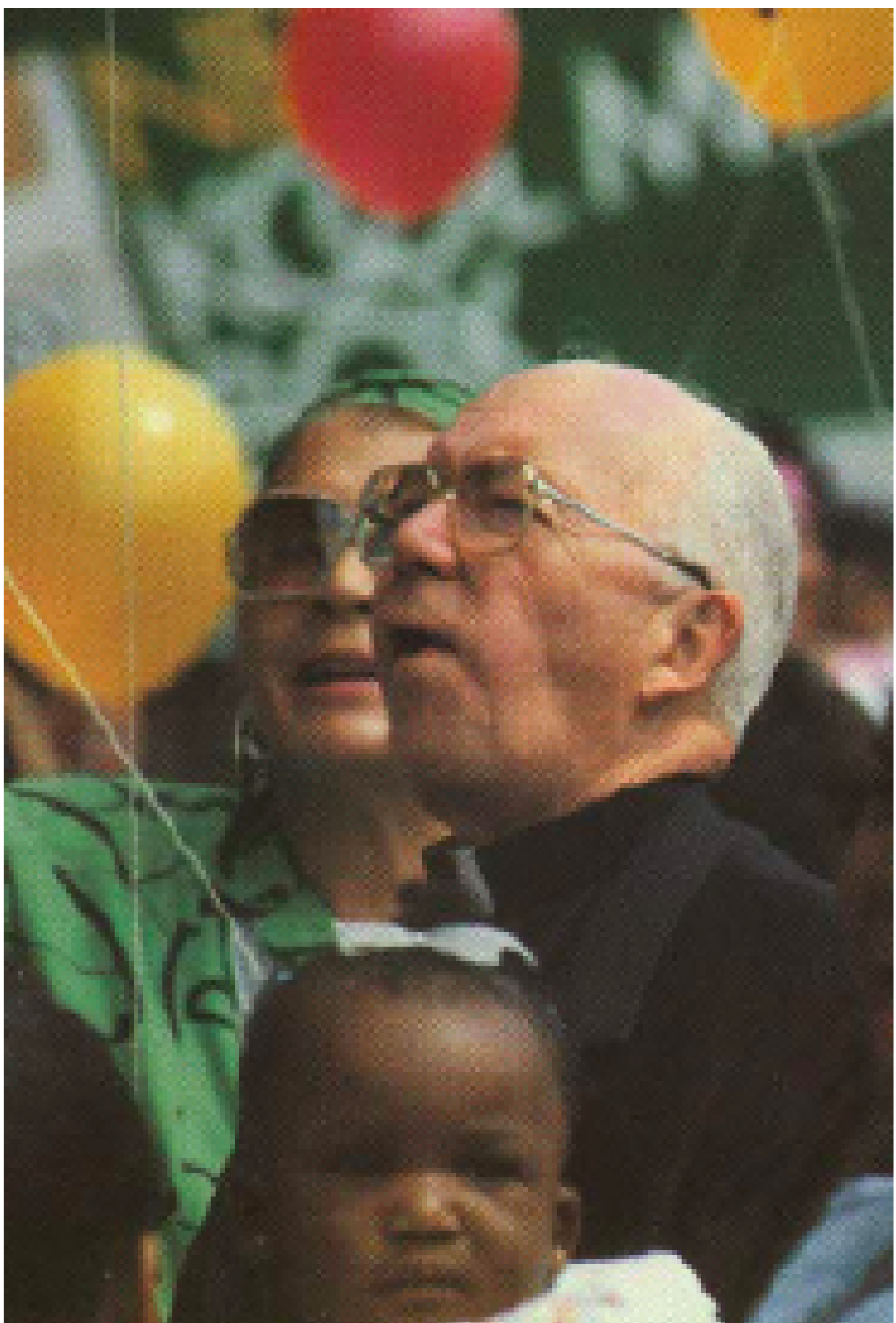


"Chicago As A Mosaic" SPEAKER SERIES-

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In its most simple definition, a mosaic is "a picture or other design constructed from smaller pieces." In addition to the subject and style of the design, it is the choice of materials and the skill in creating and placing the pieces that contribute to the personal, artistic and practical value of the mosaic. Using simple materials may create wonderful works of art. The Egan Office views Chicago As A Mosaic of communities and neighborhoods. In these neighborhoods that are pieced together with uneasy symmetry, there are stories and voices unheard, heroes and griots, movements, and recycled dreams.

Egan Office for Urban Education and Community Partnerships at the Steans Center is hosting conversations with community and movement builders, activists, and organizers in an effort to recognize the critical voices that give shape to the Chicago Mosaic.

Date: Wednesday, April 19th , 2017 10:30a.m.

Lunch Will be Provided!

Location: DePaul University

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Speaker Biography

Tom Tresser is a civic educator and public defender. His first voter registration campaign was in 1972. In 2008 he co-founded, Protect Our Parks, a neighborhood effort to stop the privatization of public space in Chicago.

He was a lead organizer for No Games Chicago, an all-volunteer grassroots effort that opposed Chicago's 2016 Olympic bid. With Benjamin Sugar, Tom co-founded The CivicLab, a co-working space where activists, educators, coders and designers came to work, collaborate, teach, and build tools for civic engagement. Located in Chicago's West Loop, this space operated for two eventful years closing on June 30, 2015.

He is the lead organizer for the TIF Illumination Project that is investigating and explaining the impacts of Tax Increment Financing districts on a community-by-community basis. He is the organizer and editor for "Chicago Is Not Broke. Funding the City We Deserve." Over the past seven years Tom has spoken at over 125 community meetings.

For Additional Infomation about Tom Tresser, please visit: www.tresser.com

