



We Need To Know Your Stories

April 23, 2020

Clement A. Price Institute Director, Jack Tchen wants to hear about your experiences through this pandemic. Share your stories with us on social media using **#PriceCommunity** or email us at **priceinstitute@newark.rutgers.edu**. Your stories may be featured on the Price Institute website and social media platforms.



Read his open letter [here](#).

Simple Expressions in Complex Times

From Huma

**Living in distance
Seeing different sunsets and sunrises
But, my sun, moon, and stars are the
ones shining back home**



Name: Huma
Place: North Jersey
Images: Salento, Quindio - Colombia
Date: April 8, 2020

Share your story through creative Visual Haiku. [See submission details to be featured in upcoming newsletters.](#)

Intimacy in the time of Social Distancing: The Chain Letter

Read about Interim Associate Director Alexandra Chang's thoughts on the reincarnation of the dreaded chain email as an act of connection and care in our time of crisis. [Recipe for her Egg Drop Soup included.](#)

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Unsung Heroes Parade

Connecticut residents recently held an uplifting Unsung Heroes Parade to celebrate local doctor, Dr. Saud Anwar. As a Pakistani American, like Dr. Anwar, seeing this incredible display of public appreciation from his community for his work on the frontlines was so powerful and inspiring to me. I hope that we can come out of this with a renewed sense of community, togetherness and less otherness. - Rutgers Staff member. [Watch parade here.](#)

Impossible

by Rosamond S. King

Lately we're doing as many
as six impossible things a day
: decent rooms for the unhoused
: unemployment benefits for gig workers
: free health care for the uninsured
: waiving bail, depopulating prisons
: eviction and foreclosure moratoriums
: free, unlimited wi-fi

I'll tell you how imperfect it all is
in another poem, because now
is not Wonderland, or Neverland
, or Heaven, or Nirvana

...
or maybe now is, maybe we
always were, and just need to
open our eyes and believe
. Imagine what we can do
tomorrow

Rosamond S. King, poet, archive builder, and teacher is a longtime friend of the Price Institute. She was a Geraldine R. Dodge Postdoctoral Fellow, Institute on Ethnicity, Culture, and the Modern Experience, Rutgers University Newark, 2002-2004, and now Professor of English and the Director of the Ethyle R. Wolfe Institute for the Humanities, Brooklyn College.

Price Institute's Jessica Hernandez shares tips for supporting essential workers

Time Magazine highlights frontline workers during the COVID-19 pandemic, from bus drivers to school cafeteria workers, who are risking their health to continue servicing others.

Some of us may be essential frontline workers, or know someone close to us that is. As someone with a circle of friends and family that are frontline workers, here are some tips I have found helpful to support those closest to the pandemic:

- Giving them opportunities to not have to go out for themselves such as taking care of the groceries or helping them complete necessary chores.
- Checking-in on their mental, physical, and emotional health as frequently as they need it. Providing them with words of appreciation, encouragement, and hope.
- Advocating for hazard pay and safety measures for frontline workers.
- Staying updated with available and accessible resources such as PPE.

Upcoming Online Events

Join us for an **#EarthDayLive2020** online panel with **Winona LaDuke on COVID-19 and the Indigenous Just Transition: The Renewable Society of the Seventh Generation**, with responses by **Carol Bebel**, co-founder of the Ashé Cultural Center, and **Maria Lopez-Nuñez**, Director of Environmental Justice and Community Development at the Ironbound Community Corporation.

Date: Thursday, April 23, 2020
Time: 5:00 pm – 6:00 pm EST
[Facebook.com/PriceInstitute](#)

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In the current pandemic a "dress rehearsal" for the cascading impacts of global warming? Can we make what Winona LaDuke calls "a grand transition" to the necessary, renewable eco-economics of the Seventh Generation? And to be building what Quakers have called "right relationships" for what Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. calls building "the beloved community." Working community activists and advocates will share their reflections on the impacts of environmental catastrophes, the global pandemic, and re-imagining organizing.

Winona LaDuke (Anishnaabe)
Eco-activist, organizer, activist working on issues of sustainable development, renewable energy and food systems. Regional Director, I-95 for the Latin, and based at the White Earth reservation in northern Minnesota.

Carol Bebel
Cultural thought leader and activist, writer, and community advocate. Co-founder of the Ashé Cultural Center, New Orleans, LA.

Maria Lopez-Nuñez
Activist and organizer, Director of Environmental Justice and Community Development at Ironbound Community Corporation in Newark, NJ.

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This year marks the 50th anniversary of Earth Day. The Price Institute is a partner with **Future Coalition's 72 hours of streaming** event from April 22-24 where you can join activists, celebrities, musicians, and more in an epic moment of community and hope for our future.



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Ruha Benjamin on "Some Reflections on the Pandemic as a Portal"

MTW 2020 speaker, **Ruha Benjamin** will be joining us with Rutgers New Brunswick Professor **Nicole Fleetwood**, whose new book can speak to the experience of people who are incarcerated during this crisis, and by **Dr. Monica McLemore**, experienced professor of nursing from UCSF who will be offering a perspective from inside the healthcare system.



The online event will stream via Facebook live, please visit our website and stay connected on our social media platforms for the official date and time.

Decolonial Desires: Is a Third University Possible?

In a conversation facilitated by **Jack Tchen**, members of the IA and Globalsl networks will explore strategies to hold fast to the values that advance the practical work of decolonization during this era of rupture. This will be a conversational and interactive online gathering. Participation is limited to 60 people and is open to Imagining America and Globalsl Network members, with 20 additional spots reserved for individuals who are not currently with member organizations or institutions.

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Wednesday, May 6 • 4 - 6:30p ET (1 - 2:30p PT)

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Time: 4:00 pm EST
Participation is limited. [Register here.](#)

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