

YPC Session 5: The Urgency of Anti-Oppression Work

Resource List

- [*The 5 W's and The H's Of The Anti-Oppression Framework*](#)
 - “The Anti-Oppression framework is a tool to see how people experience oppression in the world and a way for us to stop it. This blog will outline some of the basics of what the anti-oppression framework is, how it is used by/against people and how we can use it as a tool for supporting people in our own communities.”
- [*Beyond Solidarity Statements : Questions to Ask Yourself*](#)
 - Important set of reflective questions to be thinking through and sitting with when it comes to accountability, allyship and showing up in solidarity
- [*Queer Canadian History Timeline*](#)
 - Looking at Queer historical timeline in so-called Canada: Pre-colonization to Present
- [*The Role Of White People In The Fight Against Racism*](#)
 - “This article proposes the need for better engagement of white people and institutions committed to the promotion, advocacy, and guarantee of human rights in the battle against racism. It addresses some of the obstacles, challenges, and possibilities involved in this conflictive construction, especially regarding critical thought and in the process of deconstruction of whiteness as a place where subjective and symbolic material privileges in society are maintained and based on racism.”
- [*How to be Actively Anti-Racist*](#)
 - “In an essay for the New York Times, acclaimed professor, award-winning author, and director of the Antiracist Research & Policy Center, @ibramxk dove into the topic of how to combat racism. In order to do this, we have to educate ourselves. We can learn about covert white supremacy, follow organizations

leading the way for racial equity and justice, watch films, listen to podcasts, and read books. This doesn't need to be seen as a chore, but can instead be seen as an opportunity – an opportunity to better understand ourselves, love our neighbors, and become the change we wish to see.”

- [5 Podcasts at the Intersection of Pride Month and the Black Lives Matter Movement](#)
 - This year, Pride has been forced back to its roots. Instead of celebrities waving from floats sponsored by TD Bank and Absolut Vodka, pandemic-masked protesters are marching in the streets demanding justice for black lives. Rainbow flags have been replaced with signs with the names of those killed by the police, like Tony McDade, a black trans man in Tallahassee, Fla. These protests may be perhaps the most genuine honoring of Pride, an annual commemoration of the 1969 Stonewall uprising, in which black and brown L.G.B.T.Q. people were a driving force. There is much to learn this Pride, and a legion of queer voices in podcasting can help you gain insight, find representation and feel comfort during this time. Here are a few of our recommendations of shows to help you understand the moment.”

- [Revolution Playlist by Rachel Cargle](#)
 - A playlist of important speeches and music by revolutionaries such as Angela Davis, Malcom X, Assata Shakur, Martin Luther King Jr., Nina Simone, Maya Angelou

- [A Detailed List of Anti-Racism Resources](#)
 - Protests raged across the world this weekend over the death of George Floyd, an unarmed black man in Minneapolis. But tensions over the deaths of other black Americans like Ahmaud Arbery and Breonna Taylor were mounting just before Floyd's death. Additionally, the coronavirus pandemic is disproportionately killing black Americans, which researchers attribute to “social conditions, structural racism, and other factors.” All these stories require not only our attention but a deeper understanding of systemic racism and implicit bias. We have pulled some resources that we believe will be helpful during these frightening and frustrating times. Understanding begins with all of us looking inward, reflecting on our own attitudes, and of course, having difficult conversations with family and friends. Keep scrolling for kid-friendly resources.”

- [*The Stonewall uprising: 50 years of LGBT History*](#)
 - “An uprising took place at the Stonewall Inn in New York City. As it was raided by the police in the early hours, three nights of unrest followed, with LGBT people, long frustrated by police brutality, finally fighting back. Lesbians and trans women of colour were some of the key people involved in the act of resistance, including Stormé DeLarverie, Sylvia Rivera and Marsha P. Johnson. This is a reminder of the power of standing together in defiance of those who seek to divide us.”

- [*History Of Canadian Pride*](#)
 - “When asked about the history of pride, often the first thing that comes to people's minds are the Stonewall Riots. Canada, however, has it's own rich history and turning points in the struggle for and eventual celebration of LGBT rights. The most well known of these are the Toronto raids which lead to riots that turned into what is today, a vibrant pride festival. It was not the only turning point in our history, so we present to you a brief timeline of notable events in the history of Pride in Canada. Our history is expansive and this is not, by any means, a comprehensive list.”

- [*Homebound: Embodying the Revolution with brontë velez /184*](#)
 - “For The Wild presents Homebound as an offering of curated episodes from the archives intended to share perspective and guidance in the midst of a time of tremendous uncertainty and possibility [...] Many of us are feeling pulled in this time, towards grief, towards urgency...towards feelings of helplessness. This week we invite you to shatter these repetitions and take a moment of intentional slowness to ask:
 - How can I decompose violence in this life?
 - Are urgency and intentionality compatible?
 - What are the vessels that will carry us through these troubled times?”

- [*Irresistible: Generative Organizations with Freedom, Inc.*](#)
 - “Join us for a conversation about the complexities of building a multi-generational, multi-racial, multi-gender organization working to end violence and advance gender & racial justice in Madison, WI. Their real talk about building leadership long-term, and enacting accountability while welcoming members to grow, embodies disciplined, graceful, transformative base-building.”

- [Template For Holding Your Employer Accountable For Racial Justice](#)
 - “Attached you will find a template that will support you in being intentional about holding yourself and other white people in your company accountable for racial justice. Silence is truly violent in times like these and this template will offer you language in demanding your organization/company/institution not rest in the labor or dollars coming from the black community -- but to show up in solidarity to be a part of justice for the black people in their spaces, in the cities, and around the country.”
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[Participant Suggested Resource List:](#)

Michelle Ma event happening right now

!!!<https://www.eventbrite.ca/e/a-witnessed-sharing-circle-with-afro-indigenous-advocates-tickets-108729400564>

<https://www.racialequitytools.org/resourcefiles/SJLTransformativeOrganizing.pdf>

- This is a short PDF guideline on the application and impact of Transformative Organizing and how to integrate it more into daily life.

<https://podcasts.apple.com/ca/podcast/tricia-hersey-on-rest-as-resistance-185/id942809988?i=1000477218026>

- Another podcast episode from “For The Wild”, Tricia Hersey (the founder of the Nap Ministry) talks about rest and imagination as tools for decolonizing our bodies.
- Quote by Nayyhraah Waheed from her book Salt, shared by Hannah McGeachie: “decolonization requires acknowledging. that your needs and desires should never come at the expense of another’s life energy. it is being honest that you have been spoiled by a machine that is not feeding you freedom but feeding you the milk of pain.”

[Emergent Strategy](#) - adrienne maree brown (+ [blog](#))

[urdoinggreat](#) (instagram)

**From women's march organization in all locations To call Louisville Mayor
Greg Fischer:**

→ **Dial (844) 298-2731** ←

You can use this sample script when you call:

“Hi, my name isand I’m calling from I am outraged and horrified that more than three months after three cops murdered Breonna Taylor, they have faced no consequences and despite being responsible, they are still employed by the LMPD.

The LMPD officers, Jonathan Mattingly, Brett Hankison, and Myles Cosgrove took Breonna’s life as she was just resting in her home. No warrant, no announcement, and no need to be in her home in the first place. These officers must immediately be fired for illegally entering her home, their egregious misconduct, and taking Breonna’s young life. I am calling on you to fire and charge them now!”

Michelle Ma resources lists with lists inside from local to global organizations with multiple languages

1. https://docs.google.com/document/d/1uPGmSU2gYneR7cVIdV_wR_CUwmrl1hRy4UwG26_H8Y0/edit
2. https://docs.google.com/document/d/1de4xePkB6WzYqSWDaadJcujqNtN4X-T8_tkvWV1_FDM/edit
3. https://docs.google.com/document/d/10dJi_nwNcWcO0tyYSsIbzTa6hsdvrk_b9sIKPX5o7R8/edit
4. <https://docs.google.com/document/d/1GHV4eP5pwYtZh6ohVXPz9SomRTNCOiiMQT54rIRuZA/edit>