

Online Symposium

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Queer and anti-racist
Perspectives on
Trauma and Resilience

Healing



speakers

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Anne-Christin Tannhäuser

I am a light-skinned Black cis woman who lives without physical disabilities and experiences classism. I have passport privileges and do not face discrimination based on my faith. My place of birth is Riesa near Leipzig. After a state-mandated separation from my family, I was white socialized.

As a single mother, I juggle various activities close to my heart: I facilitate discrimination-sensitive events, work part-time for a mobile anti-racist library in Berlin, participate in theater productions and perform my own poetry.

Following my academic degree (Educational Sciences, Linguistics), I worked in EU project management with a focus on educational innovation until 2015.

Cara Page

Cara Page is a Black Queer Feminist cultural memory worker & organizer. For the past 30+ years, she has organized with LGBTQI+/Black, Indigenous & People of Color liberation movements in the US & Global South at the intersections of racial, gender & economic justice, healing justice and transformative justice. She is founder of Changing Frequencies, an abolitionist organizing project that designs cultural memory work to disrupt harms and violence from the Medical Industrial Complex (MIC). She is also co-founder of the Healing Histories Project; a network of abolitionist healers/health practitioners, community organizers, researchers/historians & cultural workers building solidarity to interrupt the

medical industrial complex and harmful systems of care. Cara's recent publication, co-edited by Erica Woodland, entitled "Healing Justice Lineages: Dreaming at the Crossroads of Liberation, Collective Care & Safety" (North Atlantic Books) is available now.

Senami Zodehougan

Senami Zodehougan (no pronouns/they_them) is the psychologic-pedagogical coordination at I-Päd Berlin responsible for the intersectional sex education division, and a clinical psychologist. Moreover, Senami supervises groups, teams and collectives in the form of supervision/mediation and gives workshops about intersectional analysis of power structures. Senami is a Black non-binary trans person and examines topics of trauma, sexuality and healing processes from this perspective.

Lucia Muriel

Lucía Muriel is a psychotherapist with emphasis on racism-, exclusion- and migration-experiences. Furthermore, she works as a supervisor, facilitator and educational consultant on the topics of power- and racism-critique, colonial continuities and climate justice. She is the author of "Die bundesdeutsche Eine-Welt -Arbeit aus einem Guss?" (2014), about the relationship between migrant and non-government organizations, and "Ich kehre millionenfach zurück" (2022), a didactic material about anti-colonial remembrance work.

Madeleine Mawamba

Madeleine Mawamba is Cameroonian and activist with Women in Exile since 2014 and is a part of the office team since 2014. Her work focuses on situations of women in the context of flight, gender-specific reasons for flight, (sexualised) violence against women in camps and racism in Germany.

Madeleine: "I have committed myself to sharing my experiences with refugee women. We mobilize women and strengthen their awareness through offering them empowerment workshops. Women in Exile fights for the rights of refugee women and against racism, discrimination and violence. We demand the closure of all camps, and we demand health care that is accessible to everyone without discrimination. What I want to add to this symposium is speaking about our experiences and finding common strategies for a better tomorrow."

Ahmad Baba

I prioritize the cultivation of critical thinking and remain receptive to perspectives that may diverge from conventional norms. I do not position myself as an arbiter of absolute knowledge unless it can seamlessly integrate with the views and knowledge held by others within the collective experience. I have a trifunctional role that I'm engaged in: My artistic performance work delves into critical discourses surrounding identities and their fragmentation. In my role as a mental health facilitator, I hold an MA certification in Dance and Movement Psychotherapy, with specialization on marginalization and embodied oppression amongst racialized sexual and gender minorities. What I offer is my many years of expertise in body politics and the impact of oppression on the body, moving beyond theoretical frameworks and labels. I utilize the body as a primary medium of expression, not merely as a complementary tool to the psyche. My interventions offer emotional and somatic release, fostering a critical space where participants become active creators of their experiences, rather than passive witnesses.

Uriara Maciel

The focus of my work is the method series "Theatre of the Oppressed". I live for theatre and fight every day to give a stage and voice to the unheard. I am a professional in the arts, and a human rights defender. As a Black woman from a country of the Global South, as well as from a non-privileged social environment, I experienced racism and colonialism myself.

This was the impetus for my active work and activism. I started working with the approach of the "Theatre of the Oppressed" in 2000. Since then, I have done several workshops, multiplier

workshops and plays with different groups of people, such as with the global network Ma(g)dalenas and as the leader of a group of Black women from Latin America in Berlin.

Pasquale Rotter

Pasquale Virginie Rotter (nonbinary & Black & often ver_rückt) is holistic facilitator, somatic coach (#thelovinggaze), mediator, author, healing being, and works with the connections between body, activism, trauma, healing and community. The studies, stance and work are shaped by a decolonialising perspective on body and intellect, as well as the recognition of transgenerationally conveyed and embodied knowledge within racist and heteronormative power structures. Pas is deeply interested in the varied ways of de-learning psychologically, emotionally, mentally and spiritually internalised oppression. It is through this dedication that Pas has developed multiple somatic approaches of accompanying groups and individuals in holistic processes of transformation, liberation and healing within the last 13+ years.

Ali Naki Tutar

Ali Naki Tutar (he/him), empowerment and anti discrimination consultant for queer BIPoC in Bremen, founder and chairman of Queeraspora e.V.

Jessica Valdez

Educational consultant in the areas of anti discrimination, climate justice and solidary trade. She organises and leads events and produces audiovisual educational material from a decolonial and power critical perspective.

About FairBindung:

Since 2008 the collective FairBindung fights for a sustainable, solidary and globally equal world. We understand our work as a contribution to a social-economical transformation towards an economy and society that is fit for the future.

Tuğba Tanyılmaz

Tuğba Tanyılmaz is a queer muslim of colour and current manager of Migrationsrat Berlin e.V. She is cofounder and project manager of the Initiative intersektionale Pädagogik (i-Päd). Her focus is intersectionality, power critical upbringing, racism critical education and upbringing, LGBTIQ discrimination, empowerment, crisis intervention and conflict management. As an independent educational consultant and mediator, she offers (edutainment-) lectures, workshops, facilitation, organisational development and seminars.

Tsepo Bollwinkel

Tsepo thinks, researches, writes and speaks about racialized identities and whiteness, about sexualities and gender identities, their intersections, as well as about international relations. Within the framework of common identity constructs Tsepo identifies as (South) African and Black, nonbinary with a history of transition, neurodivergent and belonging to the academical middle class. Tsepos priorities have turned from activism about deconstructing educational work to questions of healing in the face of a doomed world. Reconnection with ancestors plays a big part in that.

Clementine E. Burnley

I am an experienced group leader, self-empowerment trainer and graduand of psychology that uses skills and tools from the area of social justice and Process Work*. I am particularly interested in collective approaches to overcoming trauma and building resilience.

*Process Work - a method for managing small and large groups, connecting individual and group processes with systematic thinking in a creative and entertaining way that can be applied to the self, relationships in communal groups, teams and organisation.

Lilith Raza

Lilith Raza is a subject specialist on the topic of "queer and fleeing". Since 2015 she has fought for the rights of queer refugees in Germany. She is a certified online advisor, consultant, and empowerment trainer. She is a board member of the Queer Netzwerk NRW e.V. and Sofra Queer Migrants e.V., has a degree in environmental sciences with focus on migration and climate change. Lilith Raza engages with social, legal and psychological topics of the queer community. Among others, she adds the perspective of trans* and nonbinary refugees to the symposium.

Cuso Ehrich

Cuso works in the form of lectures, essays and workshops, including topics such as introduction to racism critique and critical political educational work, anti-Asian racism as well as intersections of colonialism and gender. Alongside council work for reprocessing colonial city history, Cuso organises grassroots movements and compiles resources for social movements through podcasts. Cuso is interested in the question of how bridges between positions, communities and generations can be built in order to move in a world without cages, borders and punishment collectively.

SharPuta

SharPuta Alatrash; //pronoun It// Gender disObedient, mother, lover, friend, and poet. my biggest and most proud failure is failing in "masculinity". Member of "Casa Kua", host "Whorelandia" a monthly trans sex workers meet-up, and part of a group that organizes "The Dolls" a weekly trans femme* social space.

Rafia

Rafia (They/Them) is a trans non-binary person facilitate empowerment and healing spaces for communities facing structural discrimination in forms of racism, sexism, queerphobia and classism. After being forcefully integrated in german socety and working from a head space for many years, they started their own rehabilitaion journey and learned decolonized and spiritual practices that involve collective healing through love and connection of marginalized communities.

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