

Dear Friends of Sausal Creek Community Members,

Thank you for celebrating Earth Day with us! And thank you for being such wonderful listeners. You created such a warm and welcoming space for this conversation, and we hope that it is was meaningful for you.

Here are a few resources that were mentioned in our gathering:

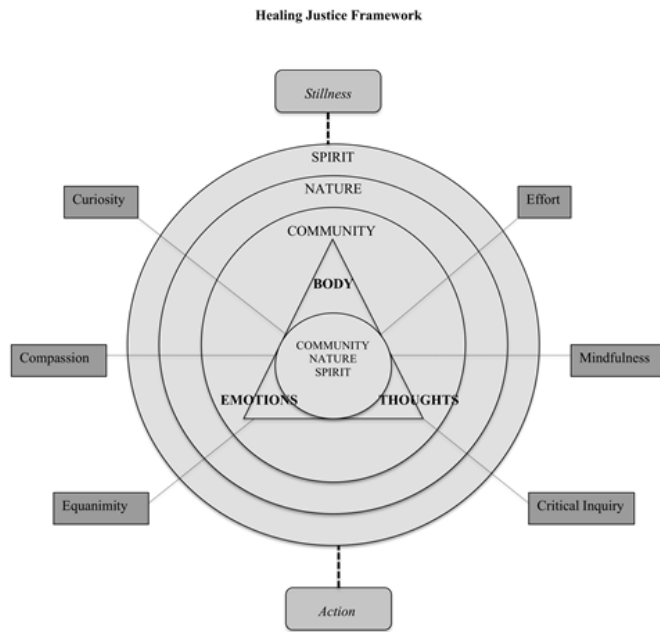
1. Invitations to think about early exposure to stewardship and lessons learned along the way:
 - a. What drew you to stewardship work? When did you first witness that deep connection with the natural world? What seeds were planted as you look back over your life?
 - b. Which of these seeds allowed you to grow and which of these seeds were not fulfilling or nourishing?
 - c. Which seeds are most impactful in your life now?
2. What does a land acknowledgement mean to you? What have you learned about the history of conservation in the Bay Area?
3. Guiding questions that Yakuta has been using in her daily life to think about her work:
 - If nature has been a vehicle through which I see, learn and experience the world, how do I speak the language of nature to bring others to have the same experiences as me?
 - How do I build spaces that center compassion for all beings, irrespective caste, class, race, gender, or ethnicity?
 - How do I create experiences that embody this interconnectedness between humans, nature, culture and spirituality?
4. Group Discussion questions:

Your personal story:

- What has been your experience working in community with others to care for the land?
- When did you first witness personal transformation as it relates to justice, equity, diversity, inclusion and belonging?
- What impacts did the lands have on you, and what impacts did you have on the lands?

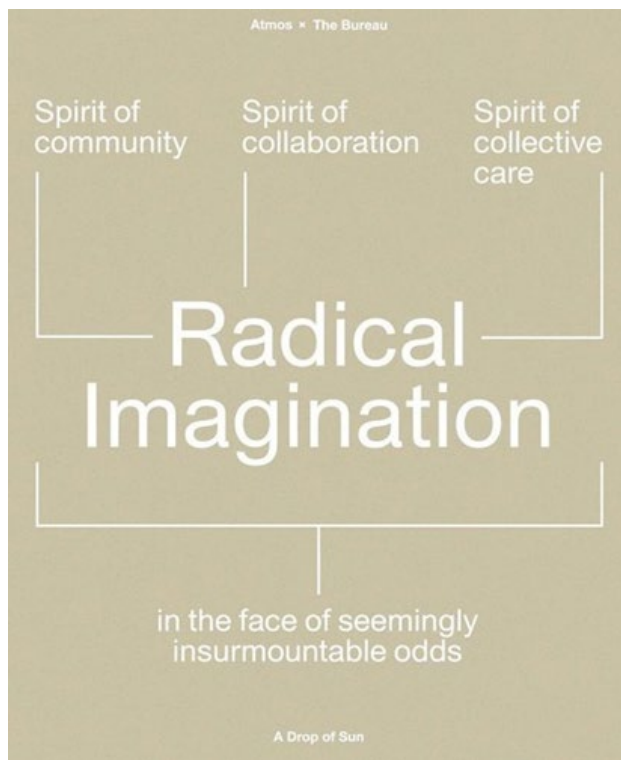
A story of someone different from you that inspired you:

- What did you notice about their connection with the lands?
 - What did you learn or gain from that experience?
5. If you enjoyed the artwork used in the presentation, please consider supporting:
 - a. [Tara Books](#)



b. [Meenal Patel | Illustrator | Children's Book Author](#)

Inspiration for Radical Imagination:



Atmos Magazine, Healing Justice Framework, Loretta Pyles in the Arrow Journal

With gratitude,

Yakuta

