

Stories and Dancing

Anthropology is storytelling. It is about getting to know the stories of others and learning from them. It is also about creating your own story so others can learn from it. Storytelling is a great way to get to know someone and get a better understanding of how they see the world. Stories are not difficult to come by since everyone has a story. Some people have long emotional stories while others have short funny stories. Not all stories stop at the ending, for most stories the ending is also what begins the next story.

A lot of stories have dramas in them, but the dramas are important since the dramas of life matter. These dramas play a large role in who we are and without them we would not be who we are today. A drama can completely change your outlook on life for better or for worse but through that drama you can find happiness. Dramas also seem to forge new bonds and strengthen the bonds you already have, but it can also test them. That is why the dramas in life matter.

Social rules are in flux. What is considered socially acceptable and absolutely appalling have changed, even within the past ten years. What was considered a basic thing can quickly change into something that is bad, and what was considered something wrong can become something normal or even good. If you watch any movies from early 2000 or older then there are often things in there that seem really weird but were completely normal at the time. For example, almost all of the behavior and stereotypes in the movie "Grease".

Dancing is a universal language. Dance has been around for what seems like forever, from ritualistic dances to disco. Dance is something that changes depending on where you are but it can be understood by anyone, even if you do not speak the same language. Dance is also something that changes with the times at extreme speeds. For example, you probably do not see anyone doing the lawnmower or the sprinkler. Notes to self: Try going to a place to dance.