

ABOUT

Collaboraction is a Chicago-based social change agency that uses storytelling, live performance and video to cultivate knowledge, empathy, dialogue and action to dismantle oppression of all forms and create a beloved community. The Family Tree Storytelling practice was created as a way of connecting a group of collaborators in a deep and meaningful way that would allow us to honor and respect each other's history and how it impacts our work today.

The act of sharing what your family has gone through to allow you to be present and connected to others today is a living manifestation of your ancestors. Family Tree Stories are powerful reminders that we are all completely interconnected and have much more in common than not. [Click here](#) to watch an episode of Collaboraction's Zoom show Crucial Connections talking about Family Tree Stories with a few of the storytellers.

This project is launching with 15 original Family Tree Storytellers whose narrative date has been tagged and categorized to allow viewers to sort the stories and find their own connections to them. Phase 2 of the project will allow the public to upload and submit their own video recordings for potential tagging and inclusion in the library.

The 15 original Family Tree Storytellers are Dana N. Anderson, Dr. David Ansel, Dr. Finley Campbell, Tommy Carroll, Sandra Delgado, GQ, Arica Hilton, Loretta "Firekeeper" Hawkins, Jamil Khoury, Sean Patrick Leonard, Aria Mallare, Sammy Rangel, Jasmine Robinson, Jacqueline Russell, Priya Shah and Nikolaj Sorensen.

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