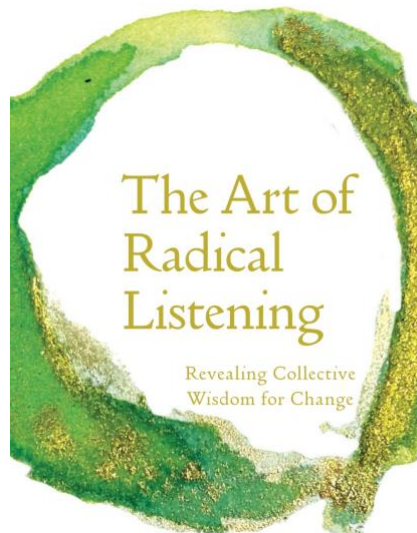




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**New Book Empowers Change-Makers with a Revolutionary Practice:
*The Art of Radical Listening***



Patricia Plude, D.Min. with Kinari Webb, M.D.

San Francisco, April 2025— As economic inequality, social injustice, and environmental crises continue to intensify worldwide, a groundbreaking new book, *The Art of Radical Listening: Revealing Collective Wisdom for Change*, offers a bold approach for those seeking transformative change. Written by **Patricia Plude, D.Min.**, with Kinari Webb, M.D., this powerful guide teaches readers how to unlock community-driven solutions and create real, lasting change.

Based upon the pioneering work of **Dr. Kinari Webb, M.D.**, founder of Health In Harmony, and her collaborations with rainforest, Indigenous, and local communities to reduce deforestation and improve health outcomes in Indonesian Borneo, *The Art of Radical Listening* reveals how true solutions emerge from the wisdom of communities themselves. Enhanced by inspiring poetry and vivid, real-world stories of Indigenous and local communities leading the way in climate solutions, Plude and Webb translate this groundbreaking methodology into accessible, actionable steps that help readers listen more deeply, respectfully, and effectively.

"This book is about unlocking the deep wisdom that already exists within communities," says Patricia Plude. "When we listen with genuine humility and respect, we honor their agency and work together to build a world where all can thrive."

The Art of Radical Listening presents a step-by-step approach to fostering meaningful dialogue and building consensus from within, rather than imposing external solutions. This practice is more than a technique—it's a paradigm shift that challenges the unconscious colonial mindset and champions reciprocity, respect, and collaboration.

Proven Results from Radical Listening®

According to research conducted by Stanford University researchers and published in the journal *Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences (PNAS)*, Radical Listening® has already achieved remarkable results:

- **90% reduction** in illegal logging households around Gunung Palung National Park.
- **52,000 acres** of forest successfully regenerated.
- **120,000+ people** served with quality healthcare, with **infant mortality dropping by 67%**.

"What if the solutions to our greatest challenges are already within the communities most impacted by them? Radical Listening offers a way to unlock that wisdom," says Dr. Kinari Webb, founder of Health In Harmony. "This book shows you how."

This book speaks to nonprofits, social justice advocates, spiritual communities, and anyone passionate about making a positive difference. It serves as an urgent call to action for those ready to challenge the status quo and build new systems of collaboration rooted in humility and mutual respect.

The Art of Radical Listening is available now [online](#). To learn more about Radical Listening, please visit www.radicallistening.org.

For more information or to arrange an interview with Patricia Plude or Dr. Kinari Webb, please contact Cresonia Wong at cresonia@teakmedia.com. High-resolution headshots of Patricia Plude and Dr. Kinari Webb, along with a digital photo of the book cover are available for download at [HERE](#).

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About Patricia Plude, D.Min.

Patricia Plude, D.Min. is a teacher, musician, organizer, and pastor. She is an educational consultant for Radical Listening with Health In Harmony, a certified leader of Interplay, and a leader with Faith in Action, a network of congregations and community leaders organizing to uphold the dignity of all people in the San Francisco Bay Area. Pat holds a Doctor of Ministry in creation spirituality (the perspective that divinity permeates all things) from the Fox Institute for Creation Spirituality, as well as a Bachelor of Music degree from The Peabody Institute of the Johns Hopkins University and a Master of Music from the San Francisco Conservatory of Music. She lives in San Francisco where she has served for over two decades as the Minister of Music, Arts & Formation for First Mennonite Church of San Francisco, a vibrant, progressive congregation working in the intersection of spirituality and social and environmental justice.



About Kinari Webb, M.D.

Kinari Webb, M.D. is the founder of Health In Harmony, an international nonprofit dedicated to reversing global heating, understanding that rainforests are essential for the survival of humanity, and a cofounder of Alam Sehat Lestari (ASRI). In 2021, Flatiron Books published her award-winning memoir, [*Guardians of the Trees: A Journey of Hope Through Healing the Planet*](#). Kinari lives in the San Francisco Bay Area with her partner and two young sons.

About Health In Harmony

Health In Harmony (HIH) works alongside Indigenous Peoples, Local Communities, and Afro-descendant Peoples to realize community-led climate and nature crisis solutions. Currently, HIH supports 135,000 community members to have a significant impact on protecting half of the world's tropical rainforests. HIH is expanding globally to work alongside tropical rainforest communities through an ecosystem of partners including Earth Finance, Doctors Without Borders (MSF), Indonesia Ministry of Health, Savimbo, If Not Us Then Who, Silverback Earth, and FSC Indigenous Foundation. To learn more, please visit www.healthinharmony.org and follow us on Instagram [@healthinharmonyngo](https://www.instagram.com/healthinharmonyngo).

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