About the Saint Louis Story Stitchers Artists Collective

www.storystitchers.org

The Saint Louis Story Stitchers Artists Collective is a non-profit organization engaged in urban storytelling. The mission of Saint Louis Story Stitchers is to document St. Louis through art and word to promote understanding, civic pride, intergenerational relationships and literacy.

Collective artists work alongside twenty 16-24-year-old urban youth to collect stories, reframe and retell them using the arts to promote a better educated, more peaceful and caring society. Saint Louis Story Stitchers are artists-in-residence at Kranzberg Arts Foundation where members rehearse, present and perform in the Foundation’s first-class spaces. The Collective also maintains the Stitchers Storefront Studio in the popular Loop District for recording, editing and publishing. Current projects focus on bias and public health issues including gun violence.

_Erasing real and perceived divisions through cultural exploration and arts practice — by stitching together our city._

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BLACK HISTORY MONTH 2019_
STAND DOWN RISE UP Respect and Redirect

STAND DOWN / RISE UP Respect and Redirect is an exploration of African Americans throughout Missouri's history that have impacted gun violence by young poets ages 16-24 who currently reside in St. Louis city and county.

This program is presented with support from Missouri Foundation for Health, Missouri Humanities Council, The Incarnate Word Foundation, and Gateway Arch National Park.

ROLL CALL PLEASE!
By AnnaLise Cason
Roll call, please!
Our ancestors are here!
If we truly want the change for ourselves,
We must stand down,
and know that there's nothing to fear.
This is a call to action!
Our ancestors are here!
Roll call, please!
It is time for us to rise up and persevere!

STAND DOWN RISE UP Poets
Emeara Burns
AnnaLise Cason
Antigone Chambers Reed
Elijah Foggy
LaShonda Givens
Yohanes Mulat
Tylea Wilson

Who’s Ready?
Emeara Burns, She’Kinah Taylor, AnnaLise Cason, Branden Lewis
Available on iTunes and Vimeo.

Pick the City UP
Dancers (Feb 18 only)
Shawn Prather, Anthony Rhodes
Pick the City UP, produced by Saint Louis Story Stitchers, 2017.

Saint Louis Story Stitchers Artists in Residence
Troy Anthony Photography
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