

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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STAND DOWN RISE UP

Respect and Redirect



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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.



February 2, 2019

10:40-11:55 AM

St. Louis Community College at Forest Park

St. Louis Association of Community Organizations
23rd Annual Neighborhood Conference

February 18, 2019

10:00 -11:00 AM (Private Presentation)

City of St. Louis Juvenile Detention Center

February 18, 2019

2:00-3:00 PM

Gateway Arch National Park

In event government shut-down is still in effect location will change to
Kranzberg Arts Center Studio Theater, 501 N Grand Blvd

PEACE IN THE PRAIRIE

March 21, 2019

7:00 PM

Premiere Performance

.ZACK Theater, 3224 Locust, 63103

Tickets \$15 on MetroTix or at the door

For more information and to learn about upcoming opportunities please visit storystitchers.org and follow the blog.

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

Who's Ready? produced by Saint Louis Story Stitchers, 2018.
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

Merlin Bell, Contributing Artist

K.P. Dennis

Susan Colangelo, Contributing Artist

Demil Johnson aka Superhood

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Bobby Norfolk, Master Storyteller

Sankofa B. Soleil