"Moving at the Speed of Trust"
Disability Justice and Transformative Justice
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Leah Lakshmi Piepzna-Samarasinha and Elliott Fukui sit outside of a cafe on a sunny day. Leah is smizing at the camera, and Elliott is opening his mouth at the camera.
What's Going On?

We're talking about the intersections of Disability Justice and Transformative Justice in our lives and our practices as disabled QTPOC survivors. We'll also be answering some of your questions!
Taking Care of Ourselves

Stay Hydrated
Body Scan/Movement
Loving Patience
Deep Breaths
Reach Out

"Your Survival Gives Me Hope"
Disability

“When we speak of disability we are celebrating the brilliance and vitality of a vast community of peoples with non normative bodies and minds, whether a disability is visible or not. This includes though not limited to, folks who identify as disabled, chronically ill, Deaf, mad, neurodivergent, and more.”

- Showing Up For Racial Justice Disability Justice Caucus
Disability Justice

Disability justice is a movement building framework was invented in 2005 by Patty Berne, Leroy Moore, Mia Mingus, Eli Clare and Sebastien Margaret, Black, Asian, poor white, queer and trans disabled activists. It is an intersectional framework that centers the issues and demands of disabled Black and brown/queer and trans people and looks at how ableism intersects with racism, capitalism, and more.
Transformative Justice

Any strategy that works to create justice, safety and/or healing for survivors of violence, without primarily relying on police, legal system, prisons, children's aid. Can be applied to many situations—sexual assault, CSA, partner abuse, murder by strangers, systemic violence.
Some Definitions and Grounding Theories

Mutual Aid

Working together to build communities that meet all of our different needs
Access Intimacy

“an elusive, hard to describe feeling when someone else ‘gets’ your access needs. The kind of eerie comfort that your disabled self feels with someone on a purely access level.”

- Mia Mingus

*Access Intimacy: The Missing Link*
A Few Resources And Models We Like

- The Icarus Project Crisis Toolkit
- Trans Lifeline
- Alternative to Calling the Police During Mental Health Crisis
- Safety and Wellness Planning Templates
- Fat Rose
- Oakland Power Projects
- LA Spoonie Collective
- Autistic Self Advocacy Network
- Disability Justice Culture Club

"and when we speak we are afraid our words will not be heard nor welcomed but when we are silent we are still afraid So it is better to speak remembering we were never meant to survive."

- Audre Lorde

A Litany for Survival

We're Better Together!
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Thank You for chatting with us!

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