

ART FOR OURSELVES GATHERINGS

Gathering to Get Organized



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As this year comes to an end we need to make plans for strengthening our commitment to liberation in the new year. We need to be ready for the upcoming change in governmental administration.

Opening

- Self introduction
- What brought you to today's gathering?
- What are you hoping will come of today's gathering?

Artifact 1

- Draw, write, dance, sing, somehow express how you are currently feeling?

Discussion

- What existing organizations can we join/support? (if you don't know, do some googling together/ask your other friends!)
- How can we be more vigilant in supporting the most vulnerable among us?
- How can we transform the work we already do to be more useful in struggle?

- (i.e if you teach, make a concrete plan to introduce liberatory curriculum. If you work in a restaurant, make a plan to talk with co-workers about their lives and needs. If you are an artist, make a plan to make your art as accessible as possible and make plans for bold and transformative art)

Reflection

- Make a plan to meet again to continue this discussion and to get to work. There is no time to mourn. Get organized.

Closing / Artifact 2

- Create a self portrait/emotional landscape.
- Give some love.