



Nevada Humanities to Feature Discussions about Native Voting Rights and Diversity in Business

Two Virtual “Why It Matters” Conversations Happening in March with More to Come

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March 12, 2021—RENO, Nev—Nevada Humanities [Why It Matters](#) initiative, which includes free humanities programs and events designed to engage the people of Nevada in collaborative, accessible, and thought-provoking dialogues on the importance of electoral and civic participation, continues in March with two new virtual discussions.

Indigenous leaders Janet Davis, Lynn Manning-John, and Tammi Tiger will discuss the history of Native voting rights in Nevada, as well as current contemporary advocacy and voter engagement in Nevada tribal communities. [Why It Matters: Native Voting Rights in Nevada](#) will air on **March 18, 2020, at 4 – 5 pm on Zoom**. This event will be moderated by Dr. Todd Felts, Teaching Associate Professor of Public Relations & Advertising at the Reynolds School of Journalism at the University of Nevada, Reno. [Register](#) for this event at nevadahumanities.org.

Journalist Ruth Umoh, who covers aspects of diversity and inclusion in business and is editor-in-chief of *The Filament*, will join Alan Deutschman, Professor and Reynolds Chair of Business Journalism at the Reynolds School of Journalism at the University of Nevada, Reno, for a virtual conversation about diversity, equity, and inclusion efforts in the business world. [Why It Matters: Where We Stand with Diversity in Business](#) will be live on **Zoom on March 23, 2020, at 4 – 5 pm**. [Register](#) for this event at nevadahumanities.org.

“Our *Why It Matters* initiative is exploring meaningful issues about civic action and responsibility in Nevada and across our nation,” says Christina Barr, Executive Director of Nevada Humanities. “These two programs—about Native voting rights and about patterns of diversity in business contexts—will raise important questions for the people of Nevada as we continue our conversations.”

[Why It Matters](#) includes a special series of online conversation programs through April 2021 around the topics of voting, electoral participation, and civic engagement, featuring academics, journalists, and community leaders working in the field. These events are meant to bring people

together to talk, share, learn, and listen using the humanities to promote understanding through historical context and conversation.

These events are produced by Nevada Humanities and are funded by the “Why it Matters: Civic and Electoral Participation” initiative, administered by the Federation of State Humanities Councils and funded by The Andrew W. Mellon Foundation.

About Nevada Humanities: Nevada Humanities is one of 56 independent, nonprofit state and territorial humanities councils affiliated with the National Endowment for the Humanities. With offices in Reno and Las Vegas, Nevada Humanities creates public programs and supports public projects statewide that define the Nevada experience and facilitate the exploration of issues that matter to the people of Nevada and their communities. For more information about Nevada Humanities visit nevadahumanities.org.

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