



**Nomadland: Resiliency on the Road**  
**A Conversation with Author Jessica Bruder and Economist Todd Sorenson**

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**September 29, 2020—RENO, Nev—**Nevada Humanities is pleased to present an online discussion, [\*\*\*Nomadland: Resiliency on the Road\*\*\*](#) on Thursday, October 8, 2020, at 12-1 pm PDT. This event is free but [registration](#) is required. This virtual event features award-winning author and journalist Jessica Bruder in conversation with labor economist Todd Sorenson. Bruder is the author of [\*\*\*Nomadland: Surviving America in the Twenty-First Century\*\*\*](#)—a 2020 Nevada Humanities [Nevada Reads](#) book selection. Bruder and Sorenson will discuss themes and stories from this 2020 *Nevada Reads* book, including critique of our current economy, the struggles of itinerant workers in this country, and the celebration of human resourcefulness and resilience.

This event will feature a discussion and moderated Q & A around Bruder's book, *Nomadland: Surviving America in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century*. This is a compelling work of immersive journalism that was researched largely in Nevada and describes the lives of nomadic workers who travel from one temporary job to another to make ends meet, representing an increasing population of migrant workers living just this side of homelessness. A recording of this **Resiliency on the Road** event will be available for viewing after the program at [nevadahumanities.org](http://nevadahumanities.org).

“When we selected Jessica Bruder’s important book as one of our statewide reads for 2020, we never anticipated the deep pain and struggle we would face as a nation this year,” says Christina Barr, executive director for Nevada Humanities. “With expert journalism and storytelling, this book describes a struggling people, a broken system, and the power of resiliency to chart a path forward. Rooted in Nevada, this is the book we needed to read this year, and we are excited to welcome Jessica Bruder to speak to our community and bring her ideas and observations home.”

This program is part of Nevada Humanities’ “Democracy and the Informed Citizen” initiative, supported by the Federation of State Humanities Councils and the Andrew W. Mellon Foundation. This initiative seeks to deepen the public’s knowledge and appreciation of the vital connections between democracy, the humanities, journalism, and an informed citizenry. It is also supported by Truckee Meadows Tomorrow and Renown Health.

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