

Hello Solidaire!

We are excited to invite you to join a 5-week program on Wealth, White Supremacy, and Repair. This program is specifically for wealthy, individual members of Solidaire who identify as white or have white lineage related to their wealth that they want to explore.

Wealth, White Supremacy, and Repair is a blend of political education, family history research, personal transformation, and leadership development. Participants will learn about how racial and gendered capitalism has shaped our world, our families, our relationships and our selves. You will leave the program ready to act more powerfully, consistently, and joyfully in alignment with your longing for racial, economic and gender justice by taking more meaningful action toward repairing the harms that the wealth accumulation has created.

The program will run for 5 weeks, meeting weekly on **Tuesdays from April 16 - May 14th from 9-12PT/12-3 ET**. We ask members to commit to the whole series as the curriculum follows an arc that builds on itself and assumes an increasing level of connection, trust, and intimacy between members. While Solidaire is covering the costs of the cohort, participants are asked to make a \$1000-\$5000 donation to one of Solidaire's pooled funds as a part of participation in the course. If this is a barrier to your participation, please let us know and we can work it out. [Apply here by March 15th](#).

In the program, we intentionally create a culture of rigor and care that facilitates a sense of real transformation and connection between participants through ritual, embodiment, deep emotional vulnerability, truth-telling, and connection to a personal sense of meaning within the work. We hold central that white and wealthy people have a lot to gain from ending and transforming legacies of perpetrating violence and accumulating wealth through that violence, not the least of which is creating a radically different and better world.

Session Overview:

Session 1: Racial Capitalism

- Introduction to each other and the course
- Introduction to racial capitalism through history work on slavery, anti-Black racism, colonization, genocide, and imperialism as the foundation for US-based wealth accumulation

Session 2: Family History

- Deep dive into understanding how our personal family histories are a part of the history of racial capitalism, and understanding how these systems impact our/our family's wealth accumulation.

Session 3: Repair

- Learning on reparations and reparative giving framework
- Identifying and speaking our visions for being part of repairing the harms of racial capitalism and transforming the legacy of our families

Session 4: White Supremacy Culture and Donor patterns

- Learning on how white supremacy culture impacts philanthropy, including identifying our own patterns and areas for growth

Session 5: Our Giving, Donor Organizing, and Leadership

- Grounding participants in their power to make change thru giving and organizing other donors, and agitating them to step into more leadership, commitment to liberation work, and alignment of their values with their practices

We are so excited for you to join us, to deepen our community, political education, and practice so that we can move together towards our goals of liberation.

Facilitator Bios:



Willa Conway comes from a lineage of fierce women – white settler colonial capitalists, writers, artists, addicts, mystics, truth tellers, humans who have harmed and been harmed. Willa is a co-founder of The Weavers Project, a multidisciplinary feminist organization that bridges arts and culture, movement building, and resource mobilization. Willa has developed and facilitated campaigns and donor education programs with Solidaire Network, Resource Generation and Shakti Rising that hold feminism, intersectionality, transformation and sustainable leadership development at the center. Willa believes that it's hard to move anything into action without experiencing it in the body as well as the mind and strives to create work that creates that integration. Willa is a graduate of the Shakti Rising Apprenticeship program and a certified Level 1 and 2 Movement for Trauma Practitioner. As a resident of the Gulf South, Willa spends her time thinking and working on issues connected to climate justice, radical feminist thought, abolition, and sustainability. Writing, dancing, and being in self study on all things movement, art, and liberation are just some of the ways that she tries to make world-building and liberation daily practices.



Isaac Lev Szmonko is a loving and rigorous organizer and political educator dedicated to building power in left movements to end racial capitalism and serves as Solidaire's Donor Organizing Director. He organized with Critical Resistance to abolish prisons, police and other forms of criminalization. At Resource Generation he worked to increase taxes on the rich and increase the flow of resources into movements. At Catalyst Project, Isaac Lev worked to strengthen racial justice politics and practice with white

organizers and majority-white organizations, training hundreds of grassroots organizers across the US and beyond through the Anne Braden Program. At Jewish Voice for Peace, he was a board member, coach, and strategic planner. Most recently, Isaac moved \$100 million into grassroots liberatory movements as a donor advisor. Isaac lives with his queer fam and his shorty pitbull in Oakland, CA (Huichin/Ohlone land). His passions include cooking, hiking, rambunctious laughter, leadership development, queer and trans community, and figuring out how to make revolutionary politics popular.