



The MultiCultural Center presents

Thurs May 1
5-7 pm
MCC Lounge

Worlds We Make

Using Speculative Fiction for Feminist Survival Toolkits

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We are living in hard times.

Pandemics, climate change, neoliberal capitalism, deportations and state violence, genocide, cisheteropatriarchy, white supremacy, ableist disposability, erasure, and necropolitics. In this workshop, we are going to enhance our toolkits for our survival and sustenance while we imagine worlds in which we thrive. You and I will share our favorite speculative fiction that helps us understand our current dystopias, and helps us imagine the worlds we can build. I will share speculative fiction and writings by women/femmes of color and Indigenous women in North America around survival and care in response to the crises we face. Come enhance your toolkits with spells for insurgency, self and collective care, bowls for our rage, and/or mementos of joy.



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