

ACR-GNY & John Jay Roundtable Breakfast | May 2, 2024
ZOOM MEETING PUBLIC CHAT TRANSCRIPT

- 01:32:01 Niki Borofsky | Paris: Welcome all to our 275th monthly Roundtable!
- 01:32:10 Kim Diana Connolly (she/they) UBuffalo Law: Reacted to "Welcome all to our 2..." with ❤️
- 01:32:19 Darcy Thompson: Reacted to "Welcome all to our 2..." with ❤️
- 01:32:30 Niki Borofsky | Paris: A recording of today's program will be available here by next week: <https://acrigny.org/RTB-Videos> (Past programs are also available here.)
- 01:32:41 Bunmi Samuel: Good Morning my name is Bunmi Samuel and I'm a community love practitioner in New York City, Philadelphia, and New Orleans.
- 01:33:09 margo cates, nyc: 275, quite a distinctive number, two more years and a nice round 300. All the strength to all of you. Thank you so much for providing these always excellent forums.
- 01:33:21 margo cates, nyc: Reacted to "Welcome all to our 2..." with ❤️
- 01:33:30 Claudia Frankel Grosman - São Paulo, Brazil: Reacted to "Welcome all to our 2..." with 🙌
- 01:33:51 Nesha Dripchak (she/her): Hi everyone! I'm Nesha Dripchak, a practitioner at the city government's Center for Creative Conflict Resolution, and an ACR-GNY board member. Great getting to know you all!
- 01:34:03 Michelle Gutierrez, NYC: Reacted to "Welcome all to our 2..." with 🙌
- 01:34:40 Niki Borofsky | Paris: Register now for the ACR-GNY Conference | <https://acrigny.org/event-5666951>
- 01:35:00 Carlos M. Muñoz/Brooklyn, NYC: Reacted to "Register now for the..." with ❤️
- 01:35:18 Kjerstin (shir-stin) Pugh, she/her | NYC: Here is the link to the virtual ACR-GNY Conference - early bird discount is available now until May 6: <https://www.acrigny.org/event-5666951>
- 01:36:57 Kjerstin (shir-stin) Pugh, she/her | NYC: Welcome all. Please be sure to update your zoom name to your name and location!
- 01:37:04 jill strauss | New York: YAY Kay!

01:38:00 Kjerstin (shir-stin) Pugh, she/her | NYC: <https://livingjusticepress.org/>

01:39:02 Courtney Pierce VA: Reacted to "Thank you @Michelle ..." with ❤️

01:41:03 Niki Borofsky | Paris: Welcome to Kay Pranis | <https://livingjusticepress.org/kay-pranis/>

01:41:13 Cheryl, Upper Marlboro, MD: Several years ago I had the great privilege of training with Kay for a week at EMU. ❤️💛💜

01:41:29 Darcy Thompson, Houston, TX: Replying to "Several years ago I ..." Wow!

01:42:34 Niki Borofsky | Paris: There will be time allocated for your questions and comments at the end of Kay's presentation.

01:47:25 Carlos M. Muñoz/OSYD/Brooklyn, NYC: Reacted to "There will be time a..." with ❤️

01:47:54 C Jacobs | New York , NY: Yes I am on

01:49:03 Marilyn Myers: Replying to "Several years ago I ..." Good morning

01:51:29 Darcy Thompson, Houston, TX: Replying to "Several years ago I ... @Marilyn Myers Good morning

02:04:33 margo cates, nyc: Are any of these points available as a pdf or slides that can be reviewed after this meeting. Usually there are visuals, which make the presentation and absorption of the various nuanced differences a little easier. thanks much.

02:04:52 Nesha Dripchak (she/her): Reacted to "Are any of these poi..." with 🙌

02:04:53 Colonel Pratt - He/Him - RVA: Reacted to "Are any of these poi..." with 👍

02:05:36 Darcy Thompson, Houston, TX: Reacted to "Are any of these poi..." with 👍

02:08:11 Carlos M. Muñoz/OSYD/Brooklyn, NYC: Reacted to "Are any of these poi..." with ❤️

02:08:19 Maria R. Volpe - NYC: The recording of this session will be posted for future reviewing at www.acrgny.org/RTB-videos Kay informed us that she was not using slides for this presentation.

02:08:32 Carlos M. Muñoz/OSYD/Brooklyn, NYC: Reacted to "The recording of thi..." with ❤️

02:09:51 Tom Rothschild CA-East Bay: Kay, could you clarify a bit the term that I heard (maybe inaccurately) as "covivencia"?

- 02:09:56 Darcy Thompson, Houston, TX: Replying to "The recording of thi..." Thank you.
- 02:10:23 Darcy Thompson, Houston, TX: Reacted to "The recording of thi..." with ❤️
- 02:10:24 Niki Borofsky | Paris: There are also resources on the Living Justice Press website here: <https://livingjusticepress.org/about-circles/>
- 02:11:19 Niki Borofsky | Paris: And visual aids here: <https://livingjusticepress.org/free-stuff/>
- 02:13:33 Niki Borofsky | Paris: Replying to "Kay, could you clari..." Tom, please feel free to raise this question at the end of Kay's remarks.
- 02:13:47 Virginia Diaz-Mendoza - NY: Reacted to "And visual aids here..." with ❤️
- 02:14:03 Nesha Dripchak (she/her): Reacted to "And visual aids here..." with ❤️
- 02:14:14 Nesha Dripchak (she/her): Reacted to "The recording of thi..." with ❤️
- 02:14:19 Tom Rothschild CA-East Bay: Replying to "Kay, could you clari..." That was my intention; I understood that those questions are posted in the chat
- 02:15:21 Niki Borofsky | Paris: Replying to "Kay, could you clari..." Yes, yes, just wanted to be sure that was clear.
- 02:15:37 Carlos M. Muñoz/OSYD/Brooklyn, NYC: Reacted to "And visual aids here..." with ❤️
- 02:16:37 Colonel Pratt - He/Him - RVA: Replying to "Kay, could you clari..." Convivencia is a term that was used academically by Americo Castro in 1948, but I'm sure Jay can share more about it's colloquial meaning and practical application.
- 02:17:40 margo cates, nyc: Reacted to "Hello everyone from ..." with 👍
- 02:18:51 Michelle Gutierrez, NYC: Reacted to "Convivencia is a ter..." with 🙌
- 02:19:02 Rod Toneye: ❤️
- 02:20:17 Carlos M. Muñoz/OSYD/Brooklyn, NYC: This is fantastic! like Rod I give a huge heart.
- 02:20:21 Carlos M. Muñoz/OSYD/Brooklyn, NYC: Reacted to "❤️" with ❤️
- 02:20:35 Colonel Pratt - He/Him - RVA: Reacted to "This is fantastic! I..." with ❤️
- 02:21:07 Niki Borofsky | Paris: Replying to "Kay, could you clari..."







For those who read Spanish | <https://educalidad.com/circulos-de-paz-para-la-convivencia>

- 02:21:18 Colonel Pratt - He/Him - RVA: Reacted to "For those who read S..." with 👍
- 02:21:39 Morgan Evans: Reacted to "Are any of these poi..." with 👍
- 02:21:47 Tom Rothschild CA-East Bay: Replying to "Kay, could you clari..." Gracias
- 02:21:53 Bunmi Samuel: So many gems in the list Kay gave as a framing
- 02:23:02 Carlos M. Muñoz/OSYD/Brooklyn, NYC: Reacted to "So many gems in the ..." with ❤️
- 02:23:19 Julie Burke, Rochester, NY: Reacted to "So many gems in the ..." with ❤️
- 02:24:00 Dave Wilson, NYC (he/him): Amazing, thank you Kay
- 02:24:30 Robin Ireland | Jefferson Cty Resolution Center/Watertown NY: That's was awesome : thank you 🙏
- 02:24:56 Claudia Frankel Grosman - São Paulo, Brazil: Coexistence
- 02:25:02 Ida: Conviviality, essentially. It's a more front and center concept in Latin cultures
- 02:25:04 Darcy Thompson, Houston, TX: Replying to "Kay, could you clari..." You may get a translated version by copying the link into your browser and using the Google translate program.
- 02:25:06 Carlotta (she/they) Hardwick, VT, Abenaki land: Thank you, Kay and everyone contributing your presence today 😊
- 02:25:11 Robin Beckhard (she/her) | NYC: And "Convivencia" sounds almost dancelike.
- 02:25:13 Darcy Thompson, Houston, TX: Reacted to "For those who read S..." with 👍
- 02:25:15 Diane: Q: How much discussion of the circles aims and process do you do before you actually run a circle? Thanks
- 02:25:16 Colonel Pratt - He/Him - RVA: Reacted to "You may get a transl..." with 👍
- 02:25:16 Sharon Eckstein: Thank you so much for this wonderful talk - your words are powerful and the wisdom communicated so impacted me
- 02:25:23 Josh Karan NYC: Beautifully insightful and inspiring. Can a printed copy of this presentation be sent to participants in this session.

- 02:25:31 Lashawnda Singleton Richmond, Va: Thank you so much. So many takeaways. Blessings to you and much appreciation!!! 🖤
- 02:25:59 Darcy Thompson, Houston, TX: Reacted to "Thank you so much. S..." with ❤️
- 02:26:19 Darcy Thompson, Houston, TX: Reacted to "Thank you so much fo..." with ❤️
- 02:27:44 Dawn Wallant Catskill but streaming from Feura Bush!: Hi, everyone. Thank you for this. I am sorry to say I have to sign off! Ciao!
- 02:27:58 Michelle Gutierrez, NYC: Thank you @jill strauss | New York for making the connection! Your gifts were needed by this collective.
- 02:29:01 Lashawnda Singleton Richmond, Va: Lashawnda Singleton email correction Richmondrestorativejustice@gmail.com 804-277-9464
- 02:29:39 Sara Ayala- Utica NY: Thank you so much. you left me with so much to think about. Sorry I need to leave now and miss the rest of the discussion!
- 02:29:59 Ida: I am totally new to "circle". What are the basics?
- 02:30:35 Bunmi Samuel: In your experience what have you determined is too large a group?
- 02:32:12 AbayomiEsq - NYC: Thank you Carlos for uplifting the power of restorative practice. In addition to circles I have been using circle concepts for restorative leadership and to build competencies. I've also merged circle practice into my mediations
- 02:32:30 Michelle Gutierrez, NYC: Reacted to "Thank you Carlos for..." with 🙌
- 02:32:54 Carlos M. Muñoz/OSYD/Brooklyn, NYC: Reacted to "Thank you Carlos for..." with ❤️
- 02:33:19 Niki Borofsky | Paris: Replying to "I am totally new to ..." For more in-depth discussion on Circles | <https://livingjusticepress.org/about-circles/>
- 02:34:30 Phil Schaedler, Tecumseh Michigan: Can circle and circle keeping be practice virtually or must it be practiced in-person?
- 02:34:55 AbayomiEsq - NYC: Reacted to In your experience w... with "❤️"
- 02:34:58 Lashawnda Singleton Richmond, Va: Thank you Carlos. What I find is that individuals do not know or understand the difference between restorative

practices and restorative justice and that sometimes is the cause. Continuing to educate on the difference is important and the application of both.

- 02:35:08 Phil Schaedler, Tecumseh Michigan: practiced*
- 02:35:26 Kishor Dere: Is peace-building mindset an integral part of one's nature or nurture?
- 02:35:45 AbayomiEsq - NYC: Ive facilitated virtual circles
- 02:36:13 AbayomiEsq - NYC: I like in person better as well
- 02:36:29 Carlos M. Muñoz/OSYD/Brooklyn, NYC: Replying to "Thank you Carlos. Wh..." Yes Lashawnda, huge struggle with individuals skipping the theory of Circles and the Community Building piece and jumping straight to the justice. It's a frustration.
- 02:36:43 Tara Fishler, New Rochelle, NY: Creative Response to Conflict developed a virtual circle format using a Powerpoint slide. We put people's names and sometimes pictures in a circle and use a peace symbol as a talking piece that the circle keeper moves around so each person knows when it's their tiurn to speak.
- 02:37:46 Dror Kahn, Brooklyn, NY: Reacted to "Creative Response to..." with 🙌
- 02:38:00 Phil Schaedler, Tecumseh Michigan: This has been insightful, inspiring and fantastic but I must leave now. Thank you for this opportunity to meet you all and hear from the master, Kay Pranis!
- 02:41:16 AbayomiEsq - NYC: Reacted to Creative Response to... with "❤️"
- 02:41:52 Tom Rothschild CA-East Bay: Reacted to "Creative Response to..." with ❤️
- 02:42:08 Michelle Gutierrez, NYC: Reacted to "Creative Response to..." with ❤️
- 02:42:39 margo cates, nyc: Reacted to "Creative Response to..." with 🙌
- 02:44:33 Colonel Pratt - He/Him - RVA: Reacted to "I like in person bet..." with 👍
- 02:44:37 Colonel Pratt - He/Him - RVA: Reacted to "Ive facilitated virt..." with 👍
- 02:44:49 Bunmi Samuel: Well said Daniel
- 02:44:58 cynthia campbell, cherry Valley ny: I would like to have the information that has been presented in a written form. So much I need to think about.
- 02:45:00 Colonel Pratt - He/Him - RVA: Reacted to "Creative Response to..." with 👍
- 02:46:22 Bunmi Samuel: @Tara Fishler, New Rochelle, NY can you say more of the virtual symbol and how it was used and moved?

- 02:46:47 Darcy Thompson, Houston, TX: Reacted to "Creative Response to..." with 
- 02:49:29 Tara Fishler, New Rochelle, NY: You can see an example at www.crc-global.org We have done presentations on it for ACR. We create a single powerpoint slide that has circles with people's names on them around a round "centerpiece" (which is CRC's logo, but could be anything) We have a movable icon of a peace symbol and move it from person to person when it is their turn to speak.
- 02:49:56 Kim Diana Connolly (she/they) UBuffalo Law: Reacted to "You can see an example..." with 
- 02:50:05 Niki Borofsky | Paris: Re: written resources of this presentation: A video recording of this session with closed captioning subtitles (so, essentially a transcript) will be posted on the ACR-GNY website here: <https://acrghny.org/RTB-Videos>. You should also be able to navigate to the "Captions" tab at the bottom of your Zoom window (it may be hidden in the "More ..." button) and then select "View Full Transcript" and save this document.
- 02:50:20 Verlyn Francis - Toronto, Canada: Good point, Daniel! When circles are used in the original Indigenous communities, the power dynamics could be acknowledged and dealt with. As societies become more diverse, it is sometimes necessary to make it clear that there are power imbalances. Loved Kay's explanation of how one can shift the power dynamics so that we can bring real peace to the room.
- 02:50:39 Darcy Thompson, Houston, TX: Replying to "Creative Response to..." The Creative Response to Conflict that meeting monthly on the 21st day of each month. It is the International Restorative Circle
- 02:50:41 Nandar Kerr (she/her), NYC: Reacted to "Thank you Carlos for..." with 
- 02:51:20 Bunmi Samuel: Replying to "Creative Response to..." If there is a facilitator email please share
- 02:51:28 Colonel Pratt - He/Him - RVA: Reacted to "If there is a facilitator..." with 
- 02:51:32 Nandar Kerr (she/her), NYC: Reacted to "If there is a facilitator..." with 
- 02:51:39 iPad (5): Great presentation - lots of practical ideas too! Thanks to all
- 02:52:44 Darcy Thompson, Houston, TX: Amazing presentation. Thanks Kay Pranis and ACR-GNY! 

- 02:53:52 cynthia campbell, cherry Valley ny: Reacted to "Re: written resource..." with ❤️
- 02:54:22 Niki Borofsky | Paris: Replying to "Amazing presentation..." And John Jay DRC 😊 ...and @jill strauss | New York (and, and, and....there is a village)
- 02:54:35 Nandar Kerr (she/her), NYC: Reacted to "Amazing presentation..." with ❤️
- 02:54:41 Nandar Kerr (she/her), NYC: Reacted to "And John Jay DRC 😊 ..." with ❤️
- 02:54:49 Darcy Thompson, Houston, TX: Replying to "Creative Response to..."
Priscilla Prutzman - pprutzman@crc-global.org
- 02:55:07 Lashawnda Singleton Richmond, Va: This was amazing!!! Thanks again Kay for this gems
- 02:55:43 Sudha Dave: Excellent Presentation
- 02:55:52 Hilary Meltzer (she), NYC: Reacted to "Excellent Presentati..." with 👍
- 02:56:03 Darcy Thompson, Houston, TX: Reacted to "Excellent Presentati..." with 👍
- 02:56:52 Sharon Webber, Buffalo NY: Thank you Kay! It was an honor and privilege to train with you a few years ago. It changed my life and work in profound ways. I am leaving this space grateful for this opportunity to continually learn from you!
- 02:56:57 Robin Beckhard (she/her) | NYC: What is best basic source to learn about how to conduct circles? (I'm finding myself wishing it would/could work in my own family!)
- 02:57:13 Nandar Kerr (she/her), NYC: Wonderful presentation and discussion, indeed! Thanks so much Kay, ACR-GNY, John Jay DRC, and everyone putting this amazing program together!! Thanks to all participants for sharing, your questions and comments! So grateful to be here and to learn from all of you!!
- 02:57:13 Ayanna Behin: Thank you!
- 02:57:42 LeeAnn King, she/they, US: Does anyone know of resources for connecting with practice circles?
- 02:57:46 Ellyn Rabinowitz: Thanks much Kay, for this illuminating and meaningful discussion and training.
- 02:58:22 Bess Steiger: Thank you Kay for this inspiring presentation.
- 02:59:18 C Jacobs | New York , NY: Extending gratitude for this session. So many gems.

- 03:01:13 Claudia Frankel Grosman - São Paulo, Brazil (her/she): The best breakfast of the month. Thank you so much Maria and Niki. Kay Pranis is always a pleasure to learn from you. Convivência 🙌. Great day for everyone from Brazl.
- 03:01:23 AbayomiEsq - NYC: Reacted to The best breakfast o... with " ❤️ "
- 03:01:46 Katy L (she/her): Thank you so much for this, Kay and ACR-GNY! Always learning, ever grateful.
- 03:02:09 Penny-Catskill, NY: I have to leave. Thanks so much! Took my RJ training with Kay and learned so much.
- 03:02:19 Deborah Somme NYC: Wonderful round table today. Please come back.
- 03:02:23 Althea Seaborn: Wonderful progam!! I learned so much. Thank you Kay, Nikki, and Maria.
- 03:02:24 Kim Reisch (Canandaigua, NY): Always grateful to be in the presence of such a kind, compassionate, wise human. Thanks Kay for sharing your gifts!
- 03:02:44 Darcy Thompson, Houston, TX: @Kay Pranis, Grinnell, IA Thanks for sharing.
- 03:02:47 Robin Beckhard (she/her) | NYC: Thank you so much, Kay -- and Maria, Niki et al. So much to think about.
- 03:02:47 Jasmine Sarrazin - NYC: Kay, thank you so much for your time! This was a lovely reintroduction to the RJ community. Fantastic program
- 03:02:48 margo cates, nyc: Thank you Kay for providing your comments for sharing the materials in the followup.
- 03:02:52 Colonel Pratt - He/Him - RVA: Thank you Kay thank you to the ACR team for making this happen!

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John Jay College of Criminal Justice Dispute Resolution website | <https://www.jjay.cuny.edu/DRC/EVENTS>

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