



Voting 2020

This 2020 American Election is critical to almost everything I care about.

I know there is bound to be a diversity of political views among my readership. The following words will only make clearer how I hope this elections turns out. But it is critical for all of us to participate, vote, take a stake in America's future. Our national promise can only be achieved by participation.

On this list, it is obviously not my place to tell you who to vote for. You didn't subscribe to hear my political opinions. But we really do need everyone to care, stay calm, help make the vote happen and together deal with or celebrate the results. We must stop this constant division. We must see our common values. Those values are not hate and exclusion. Our common values are vast. Our differences are real, but are being exploited. We must work through them peacefully, fairly, and with respect.

As a lover of the natural world, wildlife, landscapes, clean water, clean air and our precious parklands, this election has become absolutely critical.

Beyond my artistic interests, our long and critical journey toward social justice, economic empowerment and the basic human rights of life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness must be championed. I know America's journey toward its aspirations is long, and has made some awful turns, from native American genocide, to slavery, corporate wars, keeping women disenfranchised and continued racism, we still have much to do to recognize the basic dignity of all living things, and our human rights to all of the country's promise, regardless of our gender, religion (or not), or sexual identity.

It is the work of every generation to move us closer to being the nation our founders declared our intentions to be. Our work is clear, we must bring equal rights to all of us, We must make herculean efforts to reverse human caused climate change. We must hand our children and grandchildren a healthy planet. We hold this planet in trust, for our children and all living things. This planet is not ours to destroy.

How to Vote

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Our Flag Does Not Have to be Tattered

We must see ourselves for who we really are, though the clear lens of actual history, recognize our mistakes and find the strength for the long journey ahead.

We must not support tyrants, separate immigrant children from their parents, ban religious groups from our shores. We must not defame the many because of a bad few. We must not deny science in the midst of a pandemic. We must not have a Justice Department that engages in politics, selective prosecution or political vendettas. These policies defame our nation and the best of what the flag represents.

We must protect our our precious earth.

We must have leaders that tell us the truth.

We must not let our differences overwhelm our vast common ground.

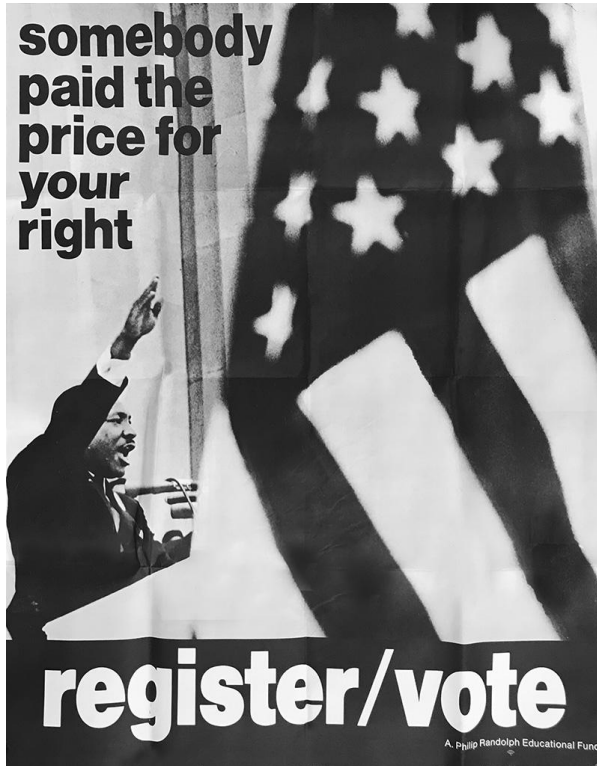
We must encourage maximum voter turnout and empower every eligible voter to vote.

Find Common Ground

I am voting for Joe Biden for President of the United States, and hope that you will consider doing so as well.

I am also carefully choosing candidates down ticket that respect these same issues I've raised here. It is so important that Congress and State Legislator candidates support our aspirations.





A large folder poster of Martin Luther King from my McGovern Campaign archive. 1972. Still so relevant.



Bobby Kennedy died 52 years ago last June. At 12 yrs. old I was shocked into adulthood by his death. This was the poster I had up in my room for all of my teenage years. This aspiration is needed today.

"I think the motive that should guide all of us, that should guide all mankind, is to tame the savageness of man and make gentle the life of the world."