

READING FOR EQUITY AND DIVERSITY BOOK CLUB

5/26@7pm on Zoom
Registration Required



The book we'll be discussing

SO YOU WANT TO TALK ABOUT RACE BY IJEOMA OLUO

In *So You Want to Talk About Race*, Ijeoma Oluo guides readers of all races through subjects ranging from intersectionality and affirmative action to "model minorities" in an attempt to make the seemingly impossible possible: honest conversations about race and racism, and how they infect almost every aspect of American life.

WHY YOU'LL LIKE IT:

Easy to follow, Non-judgmental

ABOUT THE AUTHOR:

Ijeoma Oluo is a Seattle-based writer, speaker, and Internet Yeller. She's the author of the New York Times Best-Seller *So You Want to Talk about Race*, published in January by Seal Press. Named one of the *The Root's* 100 Most Influential African Americans in 2017, one of the Most Influential People in Seattle by *Seattle Magazine*, one of the 50 Most Influential Women in Seattle by *Seattle Met*, and winner of the 2018 Feminist Humanist Award by the American Humanist Society, Oluo's work focuses primarily on issues of race and identity, feminism, social and mental health, social justice, the arts, and personal essay. Her writing has been featured in *The Washington Post*, *NBC News*, *Elle Magazine*, *TIME*, *The Stranger*, and the *Guardian*, among other outlets.

QUESTIONS FOR DISCUSSION

1. Why do you want to talk about race?
2. What are you hoping to learn?
3. Are you afraid to talk about race?
4. What are you afraid of or worried about when talking about race?
5. Why do you think, society, gaslights the person of color's lived experience?
6. Are there parts of this book you were able to connect with more than others?
Or were there any experiences that she laid out helpful to you in looking into your own experiences.
7. Has this book helped you talk about race with friends and family? Or do you think it will help you?
8. "You're going to screw this up." How did this make you feel.
9. What is privilege? Has this book or other conversations about anti-racism helped you understand and see your privilege?