

Poetry, Peace, and Truth

Lessons from Colombian Young People



A talk with

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This talk, based primarily on Fulbright-funded ethnographic work in Colombia in 2018-19, describes peace-building practices of Colombian community members — artists, writers, and educators — providing insights on how we can teach writing not only to "stop killing each other," as U.S. composition and education scholars have long called for, but also to (re)build the kinds of equitable social relationships that can result in lasting peace.

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