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***TMI Project announces call for storytellers for Stories for Choice,
a true storytelling workshop and culminating performance to be produced on
what would have been the 50th anniversary of Roe vs. Wade***

KINGSTON, NY -- August 22, 2022 -- TMI Project is proud to announce an international call for storytellers for *Stories for Choice*. *Stories for Choice* uses radically true stories — stories that include the TMI parts we usually keep to ourselves because of fear, shame, stigma, or cultural expectation — to ignite human connection, challenge the status quo, and inspire storytellers and listeners alike to take action for true reproductive justice. 10 applicants will be chosen for the 10-session workshop and culminating live virtual performance on Sunday, January 22, 2023, which would have been the 50th anniversary of Roe v. Wade. Other applicants may be invited to publish their stories on our website and across TMI Project's social media platforms. The culminating content will be accessible to an all-inclusive audience, paired with strategic tools to inspire and guide audience members to take action for true reproductive justice.

Choice is not just about abortion rights. We acknowledge that for centuries many populations have been denied reproductive healthcare, regardless of the law; and that all people who are capable of becoming pregnant—including include queer women, transmasculine, and nonbinary people—may have a need for full-spectrum pregnancy, family planning, and abortion care. Choice is about full bodily autonomy and comprehensive, safe, accessible reproductive healthcare for all.

“We no longer have a constitutional right to reproductive health care,” said Eva Tenuto, co-founder and executive director of TMI Project. “Since the Supreme Court overturned Roe v. Wade. 10 states now ban all abortion services. An additional 4 states ban abortion after 6 weeks. Across the country, people are being turned away for basic reproductive healthcare. This is the time to scream our stories. We cannot be silent – there’s too much at stake.”

Perla Ayora, one of four TMI Project workshop leaders slated to lead the workshop added, “While reproductive healthcare is getting more restrictive in the US, many places in Latin America are making strides. TMI Project understands that we can learn from and be inspired by hearing the Latin-American experience, which is why we encourage both English and Spanish speakers to apply.”

Applications for storytellers are due by September 23rd. Chosen applicants will be contacted by October 4th and upon completion of the program will receive a \$500 stipend for their time and participation.



To learn more or to apply, visit: <https://www.tmiproject.org/storiesforchoice>

ABOUT TMI PROJECT

TMI Project's mission is to help craft and amplify radically true stories to ignite human connection, challenge the status quo, and inspire both storytellers and listeners to take action for positive social change.

We do this by:

- Teaching true storytelling workshops which culminate in live performances and digital content that focus on the “too much information” parts of a story typically left out because of shame, stigma, fear or cultural expectation.
- Centering our programming around four social justice initiatives: Anti-Racism, Gender Equality, LGBTQIA+ Rights, and Mental Health Awareness.
- Partnering with schools, nonprofits, small businesses, and corporations to work with directly impacted folks, students, emerging and veteran activists, and leaders.
- Shining the spotlight on the stories that may not be featured in mainstream media or recognized in history books but have the power to change the world.

Since 2010, TMI Project has led more than 100 true storytelling workshops and staged live storytelling performances by nearly 2,000 storytellers, which have been presented to audiences of over 200,000 people in schools, colleges, prisons, mental health clinics, theaters, community centers, the United Nations and online.

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