DEIA POLICIES IN ARCHIVES & LIBRARIES: A MULTI-TEMPORAL, LISTENING-BASED APPROACH TO COLLECTION DEVELOPMENT.

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Award winning filmmaker and concert cellist. Appears on over 20 recordings.	I've curated exhibitions at The Kitchen and Miguel Abreu Gallery.	Published a series of pamphlets and books on music notation. Articles appear in Artforum, BOMB, Brooklyn Rail, and Wesleyan University Press.
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Libby Van Cleve is a scholar and performer with a specialty in contemporary American music. As Director of Oral History of American Music (OHAM) at Yale University, she has conducted numerous interviews with major figures in American music. Along with OHAM's founder, Vivian Perlis, she is co-author of the award-winning book and CD publication *Composers' Voices from Ives to Ellington*, Yale University Press. Using materials from the archive, Van Cleve co-produced podcasts on Charles Ives, Aaron Copland, and Virgil Thompson. She is the author of various articles, program notes, and liner notes; these writings are frequently generated from her interviews. Complementing her work at OHAM, Ms. Van Cleve is recognized as one of the foremost interpreters of contemporary and chamber music for the oboe. Her performances can be heard on a variety of CD labels, and she is the author of *Oboe Unbound: Contemporary Techniques*, Rowman and Littlefield Press. She recently released oboe performance editions of Bach's first three cello suites, T.D. Ellis Music Publishing. Van Cleve received her DMA from Yale School of Music, her MFA from California Institute of the Arts, and her BA, Magna cum Laude, from Bowdoin College. She serves as adjunct faculty at Wesleyan University and Connecticut College.

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THE KITCHEN



The Kitchen Welcomes Legacy Russell

By The Kitchen

Jun 8, 2021

The Kitchen Appoints Legacy Russell as Its Next Executive Director & Chief Curator

We are pleased to announce the appointment of Legacy Russell as The Kitchen's next Executive Director & Chief Curator. Russell arrives to The Kitchen from The Studio Museum in Harlem, where she led the organization's renowned Artist-in-Residence program, helped to expand its scope of acquisitions, and organized numerous exhibitions, including

About The Kitchen

The Kitchen is a non-profit, interdisciplinary organization that provides innovative artists working in the media, literary, and performing arts with exhibition and performance opportunities to create and present new work. Using its own extensive history as a resource, the organization identifies and supports artists who are making significant contributions to their respective fields as well as serves as a safe space for more established artists to take unusual creative risks.

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OVERVIEW

Who are acknowledgments for?

What impact do they have on the rest of our process?

THE INDEPENDENT PRACTITIONER'S TASK FORCE TOOLKIT (2021)

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I. STATEMENT FROM THE AUTHORS

The Independent Practitioners' Task Force Toolkit was written between 2020 and 2021 by what ended up being an all-white, majority female and queer femme group of practitioners, rooted in a variety of practice contexts: working on contract, at, for, and between local history non-profits, university research centers and archives, grassroots community organizations, documentary arts outfits, and for state-funded programs. Though we are also disabled, queer, working-class, and overwhelming come from and practice out of justice movement context, we are all, undeniably, white.

Our whiteness is not incidental; it is baked into the structure of unpaid service work and is itself emblematic of why this toolkit must exist: to recognize, call out, and organize reparatively against the barriers to access that shape our field, and to enact more just, accessible, abundant futures open to a wider range of practitioners. While these issues and charges go beyond this particular task force, we are surfacing them here—and have been asked to do so, thanks to necessary provocations from Dr. Gwendolyn Etter-Lewis of the Oral History Association Council and University of Miami of Ohio—because they matter for how our work should be read and received, and for future speculative visions for how work like this, in spaces like the Oral History Association, might proceed more inclusively in the future. And while the whiteness of our Task Force is a material product of the larger culture of professional service, which expects free labor that only the privileged can afford to provide, that doesn't make our whiteness any less problematic. The Toolkit is shaped by it and suffers because of it: even with consciousness of it, and despite our best efforts to recognize, qualify, and mitigate it.

AWARENESS

- The impact of our implicit biases
- Our place in our institution's hierarchy
- Our role in the process
- Our institution's location and its place in the cultural landscape.
- Accountability.

RESEARCH

Professional associations

National Libraries and Archives

Peer institutions

Non-profits

Academic libraries

Public libraries

Community archives

Others?

CONVERSATION

With OHAM's policy, I used an oral history approach and began our conversations with an interview with Libby. This process enabled me to:

I) research the history of OHAM and Libby's role

2) we could formalize our conversation and put a little performance pressure on it.

3) I then transcribed the interview and in that process was able to distill and internalize where key points were and directly move those into a "free write" document.

4) We then discussed the "free write" and wrote more as we discussed (in real time).

Our writing process retained the elements of conversation and research while upholding a constant awareness and self-critique. Much of the free write and rough draft were written with the other person in the (Zoom) room.

WRITING

Once we got to the rough draft we then switched to Word Doc comments, but we met several more times to read out loud our changes.

We then submitted the document to Jonathan Manton and Ruthann McTyre for comments

EDITING



Document was sent for review



Libby and I moved to primarily electronic communications at this point but then spoke once more when the final doc was ready to be published.

PUBLISHING (PREPARING A SPACE FOR OUR AUDIENCE)



We don't have a space for comments on the library guide page, but we did send the document out to other librarians and made it clear that this is an iterative and generative process for us. We are open to suggestions and change.



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This next form of listening is particularly important as it can reveal our limitations and biases. Acknowledgment and awareness guide this stage of the process and take us back around the circle again!

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