

Transcript of Audio:

[Kora strings ascending; African singer chanting]

Speaker 1: Everything!

African singer: (whispers) Like the trees, like the trees, like the trees...

Speaker 2: It has been Black trans and queer folks who have consistently push radical theories and grassroots initiatives. That have cause tremendous impact from which everyone benefits.

Speaker 1: Continuation of a tradition that has already and always existed. (pause) Build our Black archives and record our stories ourselves.

Speaker 3: For us, by us.

[African singer chanting, Kora music heightens]

Speaker 2: Having our own table verse taking up hoping that we'll be accepted by the white establishment.

Speaker 1: (softly in the background) Like growing roots...

Speaker 2: Tell our own stories without fear of editing, misrepresentation and erasure.

Speaker 1: Yaaaaaas!

Speaker 3: Let's get it.

[Kora music heightens]

Speaker 2: Canada needs this Black queer feminist press.

Speaker 2: (overlapping) Game changer!

Speaker 1: This Black press will mean everything to us.

[African singer chanting]

Speaker 3: (repeated 5 times) Black Queer Feminist worldwide

Speaker 1: Visibility to the voices and words of the Black people at various intersections.

Speaker 2: It would mean an intellectual home.

[African singer chanting softens]

Speaker 2 continued: It would mean for me to have a place of community.

[Music ends]

Speaker 2: (somber voice) A harbour is a sanctuary for those at sea.

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Responses by Black community