

Call for Participants

“Living Together” Documentary

Overview

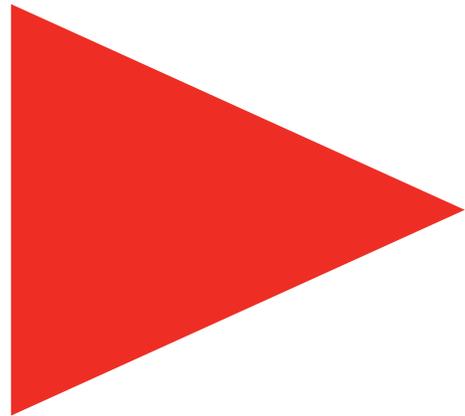
Mariona Lloreta, in partnership with the Metropolitan Area Planning Council (MAPC), is seeking participation for the Living Together documentary. This will be a short film that will feature residents of metro Boston in order to highlight the experiences of those living in the region and their connection to MetroCommon 2050, Metro Boston’s next regional plan, metrocommon.mapc.org

MetroCommon 2050 is a plan that will focus on challenges and opportunities that are bigger than any one place. Topics like traffic congestion, the rising cost of housing, our changing climate, equity of wealth and health, and efficient government. Your participation will inform how the region will move forward on these issues.

Goals

With this film, we seek to understand your daily life and reality. By telling your story and the lived experiences of the people of this region, we hope to illuminate and further explore MetroCommon’s 5 Action Areas (Homes for Everyone, Dynamic Government, Equity of Health & Wealth, Climate Change Adaptation & Mitigation and Inclusive Growth & Mobility) in order to inspire change for a better future.





▶ Who are we looking for?

People that reflect the MetroBoston region. For a list of the Cities & Towns, please visit: <https://www.mapc.org/about-mapc/board-council/>

Participants will receive a one-time stipend of \$300. Below are suggestions to give a sense of the type of participants we would like to feature. If you feel that you represent any of these characteristics, we want to hear from you. Our selection will be based on who applies and aim to create a captivating story.

- A family
- A renter
- A multi-generational household
- A senior (65+)
- Youth (Please note: anyone under the age of 18 is required to have written consent from a parent or guardian.)
- A person with a disability
- A veteran
- Local town or city government employee
- English as a second language speaker
- People whose household income is below \$60,000

Please note: you will not be required to disclose any personal information you do not want to disclose.

Here are the **topics** we may cover:

- Housing: rent and cost of living, affordability, landlords, owning a home
- Transportation: parking, walking, biking, how you get around
- Jobs: discrimination, wages, job protection
- Wealth creation: financial stability, education
- Health: your health at every age, safety, healthcare
- Government workforce, taxes, your relationship to your city or town
- Changing climate, environmental impacts
- Activities: recreational places, businesses

About the Filmmaker

Mariona Lloreta is a Catalan-American interdisciplinary artist working internationally in film, painting and dance. Mariona's work celebrates the universal thread that binds our human experience as it examines the fine line between presence and absence, wholesomeness and brokenness, past, present and future. Her work dives into themes of identity, spirituality and collective memory, while reflecting upon the beauty and vulnerability of human existence.

Recent projects include writing, directing and co-producing short film "A lua nunca morre" in Rio de Janeiro which has so far been selected by Oscar-Qualifying Edmonton International Film Festival, acclaimed New York Latino Film Festival, NALIP's Latino Media Fest, San Francisco Independent Film Festival and Miami Film Festival, among others. Her previous films have won Best Cinematography at the Reel Sisters of the Diaspora Film Festival (Brooklyn, NY) received a Best International Film nomination at the BronzeLens Film Festival in Atlanta, GA, and have been selected by dozens of film festivals, including Oscar-qualifying Zinebi in Bilbao, Spain. Mariona also edited award-winning feature film "The Ghost and the House of Truth" (2019) in South Africa and produced narrative short film "On Monday of Last Week" (2018). She has directed and produced several documentary films, including "ReSignifications", commissioned by New York University and "The Lagos Music Salon" for Sony Music artist Somi in Nigeria. Mariona also currently teaches Screenwriting at creative writing agency GrubStreet.

About MAPC

The Metropolitan Area Planning Council (MAPC) is the regional planning agency serving the people who live and work in the 101 cities and towns of Metropolitan Boston. Established in 1963, MAPC strives to promote smart growth and regional collaboration. MAPC works toward sound municipal management, sustainable land use, protection of natural resources, efficient and affordable transportation, a diverse housing stock, public safety, economic development, clean energy, healthy communities, an informed public, and equity and opportunity among people of all backgrounds.

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