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# WHEN A TREE FALLS



**Dr. Kelli Morgan**

I just wanted to say that you're doing amazing work. Even if it's an incredibly difficult situation, and it's been this way forever. You're making a difference so keep it going! <3

Submitted by: Femke

You better preach Kelli!!!

You are brilliant. You've created waves and I cannot wait to see what else you do.

Absolutely phenomenal! Thank you so much for your eloquently-stated and profound insight, Kelli!

Submitted by: Diana

Beautiful. Proud of how you represent our people and how you discuss Black material culture.

Submitted by: Brooke Harris Garad

Amazing talk, Dr. Morgan!

Submitted by: Dr. Markeysha Davis

I'm wholly taken aback. After you quoted Zora, I lost it. F\*\*\* Newfields, and I mean that with my whole heart. Thank you for being a beacon. What's your cashapp? I want to send a tip! I suffer from the indignities of the nonprofit industrial complex also, but wanna support in any way I can.  
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Submitted by: Devon Ginn

Thank you for sharing your story. Your why is so powerful.

Submitted by: Michelle Soucy

Thank you for speaking the truth to power. You are an amazing human.

Submitted by: Sarah

Wow. Your words today were moving, encouraging, and provoking (in the best sense). I truly appreciate the way in which you encourage breaking through racism in the place you are already in. You provided this idea that, we and I as an individual, do not have to become some impressive figures to change the root of problems and problematic ideology; but we can grow new and better roots from our 'mundane' jobs, or fancy curatorships, or economically-advancing businesses. Thank you for proving to us that change does not require grandeur. It only requires the heart to commit to it.

Submitted by: Alece

I don't have anything as meaningful to say as your speech but thank you for an amazingly told story. I laughed, I cried, and I was reminded of my privilege to have grown up in a world which supports my culture as beautiful, and reminded of how much work needs to be done in terms of cultural acceptance.

Hi Dr. Morgan!

First I wanted to thank you for committing your time and efforts towards our 2021 conference; your talk was absolutely amazing! Your straightforwardness, intensity, and passion underscore the power and necessity of discursive voices within our institutions. Its voices like your's that constantly inspire and reinforce the resolve of underrepresented identities within these communities to speak out and enact change. Thank you again for all that you do, and I hope to have the opportunity to hear you speak again or to see one of your exhibits in the future!

Submitted by: Ryan Chao

Hi Dr. Morgan, thank you so much for sharing your story! I feel like the underbelly of the art world is something so rarely spoken about, and hearing your perspective is so important in understanding how to contribute to the reform of our art institutions. As an avid museum-goer and art-lover, understanding the context behind these exhibitions and such is something I feel I need to be aware of, so thanks again!

Submitted by: Suki Sasic

Hello Dr. Morgan!

Thank you so much for shedding light on this side of the art community that is so rarely talked about. It is always eye-opening to see clearly how systemic racism impacts so many parts of our lives, and as a lover of art, this was especially impactful for me. You've reminded me to be more aware of racism in my every day life, and to look for places where I can make a difference and be actively anti-racist. Amazing talk, and thank you again for sharing your story!

Submitted by: Molly Carpenter

I'm convinced 2000% that you are fulfilling your life purpose! I applaud your family...and grandfather for helping to guide/nurture you in ways that make you a force for change; and evolution, for the marginalized in the face of systemic racism. I stand in solidarity with you...Dr. Kelli Morgan you are a POWERHOUSE!!



Submitted by: Karen Pope