

Israel & Palestine Class

Hi,

I am teaching a Palestine-Israel class, April 17-May 15. The class is a history of the Israel-Palestine question. We'll cover:

1. A history of the Palestine-Israel question, from **1870-present**.
2. The underlying **causes of violence** in Israel and Palestine
3. The most **common myths** on Palestine-Israel, and how to **debunk them**
4. Why previous attempts to **resolve the conflict** have failed, and what a more successful approach looks like
5. The key principles of **international law**, especially international humanitarian law, as they relate the Israel-Palestine
6. How to **shape the narrative** around Palestine and Israel, including **specific tactics** to have an outsized impact

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fundraising for our friend bernadette

note from my friend chris antonowich: I'm fundraising for my friend Bernadette Miracle who is very near and dear to me. Bernadette is an artist, a creator, she is a life giver.

Unapologetically Black, she would tell you, Bernadette breathes life into her friends, family, and her two little ones, who she is raising in a domestically violent situation with her abuser that she has a protection order against.

Leukemia has been trying Bernadette for some years now and she has beat it back time and time again. Currently, Bernadette is fighting the cancer back again. After nearly a decade of functional remission, this past October, her cancer, unknowingly, re-ignited with a vengeance. B's condition took a turn for the worse but I'd venture to guess she's most concerned about the path toward liberation she's forging for her littles and how, as she recovers from this incident, she can be best with and for them.

Exhausted from a cancer she didn't know had returned, Bernadette returned home to Tx (from WA) during her children's mid-winter break that they were spending with their dad on February 16, 2024.

When she got ready to get on the plane to return to WA after a week of restless, illness-filled vacation in TX, a trip to the ER was instead on the itinerary. Admitted into the ICU, a rare dialysis type treatment was begun. Each day for nearly two weeks, Bernadette's life depended on this machine being able to filter out of her blood the massive flood of white blood cells rampaging her body.

Her condition has regressed to a point where she needs to stabilize her white blood count enough just to continue routine chemotherapy treatment in hopes of getting on a second generation TKI treatment that will reduce her cancer to a one pill a day treatment suitable for parenting two littles. Without being able to work, Bernadette has exhausted her savings just to get by in these challenging times.

Bernadette lives in Seattle, WA. We need to get her home. The TKI she will take and her hospital stay will take her to her out of pocket max on her health insurance. She has excellent but expensive health insurance. She cannot and should not drive at this time. All the things you do not think cost much money when employed end up being your last dollar when unemployed.

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We're looking to raise \$50,000 for Bernadette so that she can financially stabilize in this difficult time, have the time she needs to recover from this resurgence without having to jump right back into the job market, and reduce her stress so she can focus on getting healthy and be back at home with her children in a thriving and supportive environment.

She has poured so much into so many communities. Her liberation journey continues. Join us as we pour back into this incredible Black Activist, soul baring, lover of all things gardening and house plants. This seeker, lover of joy and pleasure, this light bringer, this visionary justice bringer. An authentic lover who will hug you well, one of the strongest, wisest, most thoughtful people you will ever buy a cup of tea for. Let us fill her cup.

Fixit Clinic

Our next Fixit Clinic will be held **this Saturday (April 6)** at the **Jamaica Plain branch of the Boston Public Library (30 South Street, JP) from 1-4pm** (note the new time!). Optional pre-registration here (so we can be sure we have the right tools and expertise, can't guarantee otherwise): <https://bit.ly/itemcheckin>

We are continuing our wonderful partnership with the Boston Public Libraries and the City of Boston to support a culture of repair in our communities. Representatives from the City's Environment and Public Works departments will be on hand at Saturday's event to provide

support, community tools, and resources about the City's Zero Waste efforts. We hope to announce the rest of the 2024 Boston community repair schedule soon, so stay tuned.

See below for more info about Saturday's Fixit Clinic. Please spread the word! Email with any questions or if you'd like to be removed from this list.

Best wishes,
Jonathan

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Fixit Clinic MCXXIII (1123) USA-MA-Boston Jamaica Plain Library

Neighbors helping neighbors: fortifying resilient, exuberant communities through conveying basic troubleshooting skills and celebrating repair, Fixit Clinics are do-it-together community-based exploration workshops staffed by volunteer Fixit Coaches who generously share their time, tools and expertise to consult with you on the disassembly, troubleshooting, and repair of items.

So bring your broken, non-functioning things -- electronic gadgets, appliances, computers, toys, sewing machines, bicycles, fabric items, etc.-- for assessment, disassembly, and possible repair. Fixit Coaches (and helpful neighbors) will be available for consultation on broken items: we'll provide workspace, specialty tools, and guidance to help you disassemble and troubleshoot your item. Whether you fix it or not, you'll learn more about how it was manufactured and how it worked, ready to share your new-found confidence and insight with your friends, neighbors, and the community at large. (Hopefully you'll be inspired to become a Fixit Coach yourself.)

- First-time Fixit Coaches and fixing families are always welcome; sign up at <http://bit.ly/inpersoncoachsignup>
- Even if you can't make it: report your broken item at <http://bit.ly/brokenitemreport>
- Want to try fixing online? Join the Global Fixers Server on Discord where we're fixing around the clock around the world: <https://bit.ly/joinglobalfixers>

WHAT: Fixit Clinic MCXXIII (1123) USA-MA-Boston Jamaica Plain Library

WHEN: Saturday, Apr 6, 1PM to 4PM

WHERE: Jamaica Plain Library, 30 South St, Jamaica Plain, MA 02130

HOW: Register at <https://bit.ly/itemcheckin> then

- Bring your broken item with all parts necessary to recreate the symptoms (carry-in only: no oversize items)
- Bring any parts and tools you already own that might be helpful (e.g. hand tools, sewing supplies)
- Come ready to describe what's wrong and what you've tried
- Come ready to learn and to share your knowledge with others

WHO: All ages welcome: a family-friendly event: accompanied children are heartily invited!

COST: Free!

WHY: To make friends, learn and teach how to fix things, and have fun!

More on Fixit Clinic at <https://www.instagram.com/fixitclinic/>, <https://www.linkedin.com/in/fixit>