Art as Activism
LISTENING + creating
By Maranda Loughlin
Sometimes one version of a story has been told for too long.

This isn't because only one version of a story exists.

It's because this one version of a story has been the loudest.

Despite so many others being told.

The US History
(as written by mostly white people)

Every person, every group of people has history.
Art is a space that can rebalance.

When we step back to listen to another's art.

And when we step forward to share our art.

It depends on the space, and whose art or story is less often shared.
Art is a Form of Activism...

And break it apart into many original stories. Art can balance stories to equal weights.

Because it can change the most seen or heard version of a story...

And when this happens...

These back and forth steps of stories allows us to be conscious of each other's humanity.
An example of an Artist/Activist is...

People are seen as...

with their own lived experiences...

and our problems are now seen as a collective journey...

as we work together across differences...

for the same social issues to be resolved...
AVA DuVernay

She is an award-winning writer, producer, & film-maker.

In an interview this month Ava DuVernay said: "An artist and an activist are not so far apart. Whether you call yourself an activist or not, artists use their imagination to envision a...

World that does not exist and make it so. Activists use their imagination to envision a world that does not exist and make it so."

- From "In Her Words: Artist/Activist"
  An interview by Emma Goldberg

Some of Ava DuVernay's Films:
A Wrinkle in Time, 13th, Selma.
Another source: "Real Talk: Mapping Our Identities Through Personal Narrative" by Diana Moreno

What's your Artistic vision of this WORLD?

Who is someone you admire as an Artist & Activist? Why?

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