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REMEMBERING TOGETHER: Marking Lives COVID-19

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Liz Awalt and Roby Bhattacharyya

A virtual conversation and reflection on art, science, and loss

Co-Presented by Catalyst Conversations and Broad Institute of MIT and Harvard

November 17, 1-2pm

Moderated by Deborah Davidson

Marking Lives COVID-19 founder and participating artist, Liz Awalt, and Broad infectious disease researcher, Roby Bhattacharyya, will discuss how they each continue to deal with the COVID-19 pandemic and the immense loss of lives in our nation and around the world. Their conversation will be an opportunity for the two of them to share and reflect from both a scientific and artistic point of view. Underlying their respective practices is a spirit of generosity, a manifestation of our collective humanity, demonstrating how both contribute to that essential notion of who we are.

Liz Awalt says about her collective project: “when the numbers of COVID-19 deaths skyrocketed in December 2020, I was struggling to justify my painting practice amid the raging virus, divisive politics, and racial injustice in our country. I decided to respond by acting on an idea that broke through my sense of despair. This idea was clear and simple: make a painting with one thousand separate marks, where each mark represents and honors a life lost to COVID-19.”

Roby Bhattacharyya’s “lab aspires to be a kind, collaborative, and inclusive environment in which to pursue rigorous science that addresses important questions in infectious diseases. We value diversity of thought, experience, and therefore identity, and we believe that this diversity enriches the science we do, the questions we choose to ask, and the people we become.”

This event is free and open to the public.

Registration required: broad.io/RememberingTogetherWebinar

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