Identity Intervention

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In ter vene verb

- 1. To come between so as to prevent or alter a result or course of events.
 - a. occur as a delay or obstacle to something being done.
 - b. interrupt verbally or otherwise.

So what is an

"Intervention of the Self"

María

1. Critical thinking interview for

the activist

2. Consumable for a larger

audience

- a. "Intervention for the community"
- 3. Not applicable to me

Paloma

- Originally was thinking along the lines of wellbeing
- 2. Well-being does play into our intervention
- 3. What I thought going into this

Raven

- 1. Who is activism for?
- 2. Polarization
- 3. Revolution of the mind & Citlali
- 4. Product vs. Process



The Interview Format (Story Extraction)

Icebreaker Exercise (Yo soy/Yo No Soy)

Identity Categories (Agency) Framework

Process **María's**

India —

"I was in the fourth grade, and my best friend Joy was a very strong Christian. My friend Joy was Black and I was also Black. We were sitting on a hill when I told her that I was a Buddhist and she cried and told me we couldn't be friends. I realized it was because I was Black and she was Black that she thought I was Christian."



"I haven't thought about that story in a long time but I used to think about it a lot."

Blackness x Religion

Blackness x Family

"I started investing money in the stock market for example and my parents weren't really comfortable with me doing that. It's not something they're familiar with. They compared it to, "your white friends at your school are doing this, why do you feel this is necessary just because white people are doing it?" But actually, a lot of my Black friends are the ones who encouraged me to start investing now that I had the money. It was a weird dichotomy of what they think Blackness is and what I think Blackness is."





Paloma Process

& stories

"Stuck"

I came out to my high school during my sophomore year. I was glad that I could be open about my sexuality, but I felt like I was still not being true to myself. I valued being considered male, so I kept playing football and doing other "male" things. Even though I was out, I could still feel myself consciously trying to hide my sexuality as much as I could so I would be able to "fit in." I tried to be both gay and male at the same time, but every day it felt like I was neither.

Raven Process

& stories

Audio Example

Conclusion

