



# THE UNIVERSE OF RHIZOMATIC TENDERNESS

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Hola Queridx:

I pray that this message finds you feeling held, rooted, and grounded in the midst of so much change, grief, and transitory energy. Moving with the unexpected, with delays, interruptions, and disruptions remains the only constant; a strong sense of humor continues to be necessary. I'm at the tail end of my Saturn's Return, which has been impacting and highlighting all things material: assets, money, relationships, support networks. Saturn has been whipping my ass to say the least. Grateful, integrating, and breaking through. I now find myself having made a full circle back to my birthplace in New Jersey after many years of overlooking and running away from this site. Now is the time to run fully towards what scares me as there are treasures that materialize in this direction. This place now becomes fertile ground for the next phase of my creative expression and spiritual development; another piece of the puzzle where it is up to me to decipher the clues, omens, messages and tune into where to go from here. What deeper excavation has been yet to occur within myself? I've been moving through the world through the force of my intuition and I continue to surrender to this spark within my heart. I allow my body and inner child to become compasses that guide me towards new adventures where I get to uncover more nuances about what it means to be alive right now. What creates this spark within your own heart? What are you holding back on and why?

Now that I've shifted my base away from Los Angeles, I've begun to notice the cool breeze in the Jersey air that announces autumn's arrival. It is beautiful to witness the ways in which the seasons dance and wrestle with one another, shedding from one energetic state into the next. What gets left behind and what gets filtered through? What's fallen away for you throughout 2022? What have you received? LA taught me about staying in a place longer than I desired even with toxic air quality levels ebbing and flowing on a daily basis. And sometimes the only option that's left is to shape-shift. And sometimes there is no other option, but to go within. And sometimes there is no movement available to us, so the option becomes becoming quite still. Waiting right beneath the surface of the water, conserving energy, resting before making a next move.

I write this letter to update all the folks who have signed up for my newsletter, the friends, mentors, loved ones, witnesses who have held me as I've transitioned from East to West and back East, who have shown up to a workshop, performance, or coaching session I've facilitated. Thank you for your time, presence, and energy! I couldn't do it without any of you who exist within this *constellation of care*.

If you're hearing about it for the first time, *The Universe of Rhizomatic Tenderness* (TUoRT) is an international, intergenerational, and transdisciplinary social enterprise-ecosystem-emerging organization I'm choreographing that seeks to empower Queer-Trans+ Creatives of the Global Majority & Allies on artistic, financial, spiritual, and erotic levels, by integrating inherited densities through *embodied kinetics*. TUoRT divests from Western allopathic approaches to healing and curates holistic programming for QT+A Creatives that take the form of residencies, 1:1 mentorship, erotic retreats, and more.

I want to give a special shout-out to the current core team of this vision that includes:

**Producing Consultant/Creative Strategist:** María Wethers  
**Administrative Dramaturgs:** agustine zegers & Alicia Rodriguez



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**Tarot de Quebrantamiento Designers:** Raymond Aung & Diego Hernandez-Black  
**Conflict Resolution Expert/Accountability Pathways Co-Designer:** Mikhaila Fendor

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## **On-Call Team Members:**

**Research & Proliferation Thought Partner:** Megan Kendzior

**Creative Strategist:** Tossie Long

**Admin. Dramaturg:** asha kohli

**Social Media Marketing Designer:** Almah Lavon-Rice

**OG Logo & Brand Designer / OG Tarot de Quebrantamiento Designer:** Menaja Ganesh

As I consider moving towards formalizing this vision over the next years, I am interested in co-directing the proliferation of this vision and would love to create/fill the following roles:

Cosmic Energetic Finance & Fundraising Orchestrator w/ speciality in Marketing Strategy  
Program Manager(s) & Co-Director(s) / Co-Facilitator(s)  
Grant Writer(s)  
Accountant/Bookkeeper  
Crowdfunding Specialist  
NFT/Cryptocurrency Researcher & Director  
International Relations Director  
Formalization Lawyers (ideally working pro-bono) & more....

What I've learned this year is that simplifying a vision is also an option as is burying it underground as an offering to the Earth.

## **What has TUoRT been up to?**

This past spring, I held the first Hive Consciousness Retreat where I invited friends, colleagues, and participants of TUoRT programming to gather around specific topics that the vision was needing support with. You can read through some of those topics via the QR codes below. *Hive Consciousness* is a term borrowed directly from bees and their ecosystems. Prior to being born, bees are imprinted with a song that contains the programming for their specific role within the hive. The vibration of this song unfolds and guides them throughout their lifetime. The song imprints them with their sacred duty, where no role is greater than the rest even with a Queen Bee in place. The health of the hive depends on every bee being valued. Unconditional love for the holistic well-being of the hive becomes the prime directive.

What do the bees have to say about balancing sovereignty with collectivity? What can we translate from their way of being into our own ecosystems and societal infrastructures? There is a reciprocal and erotic balance between autonomy and interdependence within the



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beehive and it is through this vibration that I wish to continue birthing TUoRT; building through song, movement, quantum leaps of faith, trust, and collectivity. Every voice, role, and presence matters and nothing goes to waste here. I have been working on designing the template for TUoRT since Dec. 2019 and this is the year where I am considering formalizing as a for-profit, hybrid entity, or solely as a non-profit organization or co-op. Irrespective of the final decision that gets made, the ecosystem will unapologetically center the wisdom of the bees, rhizomes, spirituality, erotic potency, and QT+A Creatives.

**What follows is a brief break down of what's happened and what's coming up:**

## | Estrellx Supernova/EHQS = solo performance alias |

- **Real Talk #1: vectors of adverse desires** (premiered Fall 2020 via Bridge Live Arts & REDCAT's NOW Festival);
- **Real Talk #2: confessions of a stone whore | VERSE:** in process; showings have occurred at Junior High (Nov. 2020) + MOCA Geffen Warehouse via HI Solo Series (May 2021) + a soft premiere at Center for Performance Research (CPR) via their Fall Movement Series in NYC on Dec. 2 + 3, 2022 (*ticket info in the QR codes below*);
- **Real Talk #3: Pretty Huge Dick (PhD), Force Majeure, & Other Acts of God/dess** (research begins Summer/Fall 2023).

## | The Cosmic Angels = experimental dance company/choreography collective |

- **underground underneath the underground, prelude:** premiered Spring 2021 via CounterPulse w/ the support of the Princess Grace Foundation & Foundation for Contemporary Arts Emergency Grant;
- **Animate, Intimate:** aiming to begin to develop and premiere this work in 2023, Dates TBD

## | The School(s) of Tenderness = pedagogical offerings via retreats, residencies, 1:1 mentorships, festivals, and other related programming |

- **PLATAFORMA:** a two-week virtual healing and performance-based encuentrx that will become **ULTRAVIOLETA** (*initially launched Fall 2020*);
- **The \_\_\_\_\_ Room:** a 1:1, Embodied Coaching, Choreo-Dramaturgical, Entrepreneurial, & Grant-Writing Support Container (*launched Summer 2021. I'm still available to take on clients. To chat more, set up a time via respective QR code below*);
- **Residencias Rhizomaticas 1 & 2:** an IRL healing-based artist residency that launched in LA this past winter within NAVEL, Stomping Ground LA and other site-specific spaces. The second iteration took place in Brooklyn this past August at The Woods, Center for Performance Research, and Based In. Info for upcoming Rhizomatica cycles will be released between Nov. 2022 - Feb. 2023. The next theme is: *GLITCH. DRIP. SWEAT. KISS. or Glitching Plasticities, Opaque Synchronicities*;



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- **Somatic Entrepreneurship**: a course I devised via UC Riverside's Dance Department this past spring that supports students with developing a framework for sustaining their craft and projects post-graduation as freelance artists, performers, entrepreneurs. If you or an institution you know would be interested in this pedagogical theme, please contact me!

- **Animate, Intimate Erotic Retreat #1**: a 5-7 day long retreat where we will explore the full spectrum of sex, intimacy, and the erotic, solely for Queer, Trans+ Creatives (*exact dates in 2023 or 2024 TBD*).

| **Honey Pots = a series of additional artistic *honey* aka resource generators for TUoRT** |

- **Tarot de Quebrantamiento** (*Kickstarter will launch Oct. 2022 with decks ready for sale by Spring 2024, in process*)

- **Estrellx Nova**: a Guatemalan-Korean-American restaurant + ice cream shop (*seed thought phase*)

- **U3/IX**: a daytime sober queer club experience & spa (*seed thought phase*)

If any of these projects resonate with you and/or if you know any folks who would be amazing for any of the roles I've outlined earlier, please email me with your interest to join a design team and/or any recommendations you have for folks who would be amazing within these roles.

Finally, I want to call you into action to support *El Tarot de Quebrantamiento* *Kickstarter* launching between October 21 - 31! Our goal is to raise **[\$40,100]** over the course of **(33)** days, which will directly support me with paying the visual design team with getting a prototype of this deck off the ground and into your hands! *El Tarot de Quebrantamiento* is a distillation of my choreographic work and somatic research and is being designed as an on-the-go healing tool set with the intention to awaken your own inner wisdom! You can read more details about the rewards, add-ons, and inspiration for the deck via the QR code below. The QR code will direct you to sign up for the pre-launch page so you'll be the first to know when the campaign has gone live and receive any updates if you decide to back the project. This *Kickstarter* is currently the only place where these decks will be sold and supports me with spreading TUoRT's *Queericulum* to a wider audience. You may need to sign up for a *Kickstarter* account if you don't have one already to facilitate the process of receiving updates. Downloading the app on your phone will also provide a more easeful user experience, if desired / if this is your preferred method of technological engagement.

Amor y Luz,

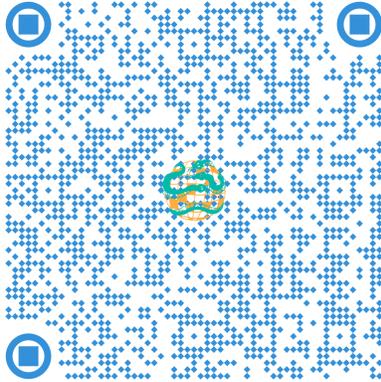
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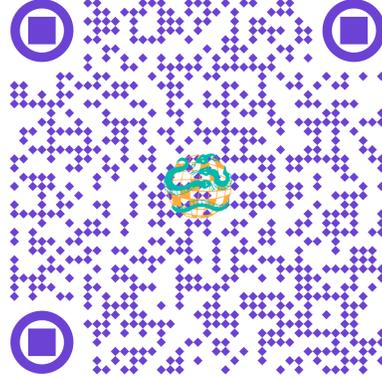
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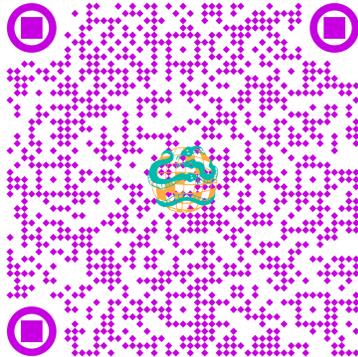
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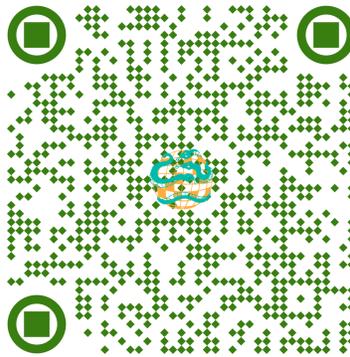
#2 | Interested in 1:1 work w/ Estrellx? Sign Up for 15 min. Check-In:



#3 | Hive Consciousness Retreat Topics:



#4 | CPR Dec. Showing Info:



#5 | Other Ways to Donate

