"Human Book" Application 2020

The Human Library™ is designed to build a positive framework for conversations that can challenge stereotypes and prejudices through dialogue. A library of human beings, the Human Library is a collection of people from all walks of life. Individuals serve as human ‘books’ and participants can “read” the book by engaging in a conversation with the book on loan. It aims to establish a safe and conversational space where difficult questions are expected, appreciated, and hopefully answered.

For more information and sample titles visit ppld.org/human-library or humanlibrary.org

*Required Field

*Name: __________________________________________________________

Email: __________________________________________________________

*Phone: _________________________________________________________

Please provide detailed responses to each question, and specific examples where applicable. If you need more space, feel free to attach additional paper to this application.

*Why would you like to be a "human book" for PPLD's Human Library Event?

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*The purpose of this event is to encourage dialogue that helps people understand perspectives and life experiences that may differ from their own. We expect our books to represent themselves as individuals and not to promote or proselytize ideas or beliefs. Books and readers are asked to have civil, tolerant, and respectful exchanges. Are you comfortable with these guidelines?

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*Please provide several specific examples of preconceptions, assumptions, prejudices, or stereotypes you have experienced. Explain how people have made assumptions about you in the past, based on your appearance, your profession, your status, your relationships, or other factors. How do others “Judge a Book by its Cover” when they see you?

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*Have you shared your story before? Are you comfortable sharing it with people you have not met?

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*What short (ideally one word) title for your story would you pick for yourself? Sample titles are available at https://humanlibrary.org/meet-our-human-books/

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*What qualities do you have that would make you a good human book?

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What would you like to share about yourself with your readers?


If selected, PPLD will hold human library training sessions, what days of the week or times are you unavailable?


PPLD is dedicated to making sure our human books and readers have an experience that facilitates the library’s mission of lifelong learning—to help seek, engage, transform, and inspire!

Do you have any questions, comments, or concerns?


