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## Planting in an Earthquake: balancing patience and urgency in a time of change

*An evening with Ricardo Levins Morales*

The struggle for a better world is deeply rooted in ancient knowledge, historical memory, and ecological truths, while also having to respond to new conditions. This presentation will address the dilemmas of finding our way through a shifting political, cultural, and ecological landscape. We find ourselves in a time of pandemic, climate change, and systemic crisis that demands clear thinking and expansive compassion. How can we address the social earthquakes and suffering of the moment while cultivating the seeds of a brighter future? Ricardo Levins Morales has 50 years of organizing experience as an activist, artist, and mentor. He practices what he calls “hope-based” organizing and movement building with a historical and trauma-informed lens.

**Ricardo Levins Morales** describes himself as a “healer and trickster organizer disguised as an artist.” He was born into the anti-colonial movement in his native Puerto Rico and was drawn into activism in Chicago when his family moved there in 1967. Ricardo’s activism has included support work for the Black Panthers and Young Lords, and participating or acting in solidarity with farmers, environmental, labor, racial justice and peace movements.

Increasingly Ricardo sees his art and organizing practices as means to address individual, collective and historical trauma. He co-leads workshops on trauma and resilience for organizers as well as trainings on creative organizing, social justice strategy and sustainable activism, and mentors and supports young activists.

Ricardo’s art has won numerous awards but the greatest affirmation is the uses to which it has been put by grassroots movements and communities. Learn more about Ricardo at [www.rlmartstudio.com](http://www.rlmartstudio.com).

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