Our Saturday, 10:30-11:30 am Mindful Yoga class is FREE to the community and a chance for us to raise awareness around issues relating to social justice, anti-racism and Black Lives Matter. As long as we are financially able to do so, we will continue to offer this class as a free-to-community class with a suggested donation to a community resource or group that is doing the work of creating a more just and equitable Seattle and world. This month, we encourage you to DONATE to **Black Lives Matter Seattle King** Co. Community Investment Fund in lieu of payment for this class. All are welcome: give if you can and just join us for mindful yoga if you cannot.

In solidarity with the Black Lives Matter movement, and as a means of taking specific action in support of anti-racism, we participated in the General Strike on Friday 6/12/2020.

We would like to offer a few links for reading resources and organizations that you might consider supporting (with time, actions, donations or engaging to support your own education.

## **DONATIONS**

- Campaign Zero https://www.joincampaignzero.org/
- Black Lives Seattle https://blacklivesseattle.org/
- Converge Media https://www.whereweconverge.com/
- BLM Community Investment https://blacklivesseattle.org/community-investment/

## **EDUCATION**

- On Being: A Conversation with Resmaa Menakem:
  On Race, Bodies and the Nervous System
  https://onbeing.org/programs/resmaa-menakem-notice-the-rage-notice-the-silence/
- For Our White Friends Desiring to Be Allies: https://sojo.net/articles/our-white-friends-desiring-be-allies
- The Center for Racial Justice https://centerracialjustice.org/
- Resources for Talking About Race, Racism and Racialized Violence with Kids https://centerracialjustice.org/resources/resources-for-talking-about-race-racism-and-racialized-violence-with-kids/
- Justice for Floyd Petition on Change.org
  https://www.change.org/p/mayor-jacob-frey-justice-for-george-floyd
- Free Coronavirus Testing by The City of Seattle for anyone who has been to a protest. Even if you have no symptoms, testing is encouraged so that we don't unwittingly create vectors for virus transmission:

http://www.seattle.gov/mayor/covid-19/covid-19-testing

Our teacher community is actively working on additional specific actions Lotus and each of us as teachers will take to create and maintain an anti-racist studio and teaching space. Stay tuned for details coming soon.

Wishing you well, With love,

**Maia and the Lotus Teachers** 

