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While crisis inspires innovation, the arts have been the common thread that has connected humanity throughout history, and inspires us in times of crisis.

The year 2020 has been a challenge for each of us. This past week, another senseless death of a person of color, killed by excessive and lethal force at the hands of those who are meant to protect our communities, has occurred.

The killing of George Floyd, Breonna Taylor, and the multitude of other people of color, has broken my heart. As a society, we must acknowledge that institutional racism exists, and that it must be eradicated. To mend something so ingrained into our culture takes all of us joining together - as a community, as a country. The Wyoming Fine Arts Center Board of Directors, and I, firmly stand in opposition of hatred, racism, and violence.

As we attempt to move forward productively during this time of great turmoil, we struggle with how to support our family, friends, and neighbors. But please know that The Center will continue to foster appreciation, and provide educational opportunities in the arts for everyone, regardless of age, race, skill level. And please know that we will always strive to do better.

Diversity is what makes us stronger. Sharing ideas, valuing our differences, and celebrating our successes together is what makes The Center a special place to foster creativity. We will continue to be here for you.

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Stay Creative,

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