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camilo ruiz: And you must have gotten a message that says, we are now
recording.
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00:00:06.899 --> 00:00:07.440
camilo ruiz: well.
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camilo ruiz: Lucy before entering into a one story, or what you want
to tell me, I want to know a little bit more about you who are you can
you give me a brief description of yourself yeah.
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00:00:24.180 --> 00:00:33.030
Lucy Fuentes: Okay um I was born in Ohio my father raised me was
Italian American first generation.
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Lucy Fuentes: Well it's his parents were from Sicily, my mother was
like a second generation German American her parents were grandparents
were from Germany.
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Lucy Fuentes: And we moved when I was eight to California southern
California became a nuclear family, I remember as a child, the.
00:00:51.150 --> 00:01:00.840
Lucy Fuentes: Multi there was more multicultural there were Jewish
Polish Irish Italians all kind of living in the same area there, but
when we moved to California my.
00:01:01.230 --> 00:01:14.970
Lucy Fuentes: mother, my father my two younger brothers and myself
when I was eight went to school in a suburb outside of San Diego and
it was did well in high school and when it's time to go to college.
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Lucy Fuentes: I applied to several and the one I chose was University of California Berkeley.

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00:01:21.540 --> 00:01:23.850

Lucy Fuentes: And at that point, there was no tuition it was like.

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Lucy Fuentes: A \$90 student fee, and it was far enough away from home.

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Lucy Fuentes: And, and when I went there, it was the 1960s, and it was very exciting place to be, but I didn't do all that well academically because there was all this other stuff going on, I didn't know about and john Kennedy died and.

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Lucy Fuentes: We didn't have TVs in your room, so we were all in the student union, and that was a real kind of try trauma traumatic thing for me to for him.

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Lucy Fuentes: To have seen to campaign we were allowed to vote, yet, but campaign for him as young democrats and then him becoming President and then him being assassinated.

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00:02:04.320 --> 00:02:13.590

Lucy Fuentes: And that kind of led me also because I wasn't doing that well in my math major to try social sciences and the professors at that time were talking about.

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00:02:15.450 --> 00:02:25.380

Lucy Fuentes: The social protest movements and the whole thing with free fear motors coming back the beginning of civil war, we had a free speech movement on campus and.

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00:02:26.760 --> 00:02:38.220

Lucy Fuentes: And so I and and then at that same around that same time this stuff on this, too, was recruiting people to be vista volunteers, which was going to be like a domestic peace corps that came out of.

00:02:39.810 --> 00:02:45.540

Lucy Fuentes: The whole thing and I signed up for that mostly because I didn't want to flunk out and go back home my parents.

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00:02:46.590 --> 00:02:55.470

Lucy Fuentes: And my parents said, you know the portal, always be with us and we worked really hard to keep you away from all that and, but my dad says well it's kind of like the army you'll get a basic training and.

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00:02:55.800 --> 00:03:00.990

Lucy Fuentes: Then you'll probably find that you don't like it you'll come back home, and of course that man, I was never going to do that, which I didn't.

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00:03:02.550 --> 00:03:13.470

Lucy Fuentes: So I joined this that they sent me to New York retraining and then after not doing very well at my placement in New York, I was transferred to hartford and assigned to work with CRT.

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00:03:13.920 --> 00:03:26.370

Lucy Fuentes: And that's where I met my husband, he was working for CRT in manpower position and we dated for a while and then, when my vista tour was out, we got married because I didn't want to go.

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00:03:28.410 --> 00:03:33.600

Lucy Fuentes: Because I I told you that my thing, I think that he did not he was a very.

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00:03:36.210 --> 00:03:45.630

Lucy Fuentes: multifaceted person and he one of the things he did was he saying, and so there was a concert on Constitution Plaza where you are in the summer and he got.

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00:03:46.380 --> 00:03:56.640

Lucy Fuentes: i'm not sure why, but he got on he was he was singing that really some some Puerto Rican some Spanish songs from Puerto Rica and that kind of did it for me as far as falling in love.

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00:03:57.120 --> 00:04:08.010

Lucy Fuentes: and getting married and we lived in that point because he didn't get paid that much, and I was had one kid and then another

kid and that's why there was a low income housing project at that time and.

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00:04:08.880 --> 00:04:21.840

Lucy Fuentes: That was when I was home with the kids and he changed he man in Jose Cruz had been writing a column in the hartford times, it was the afternoon nate next newspaper and.

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00:04:22.710 --> 00:04:40.140

Lucy Fuentes: He did a column a weekly column in Spanish and Jose was moving on and out and recommended want to take over the call so one took over this column to write a column in Spanish at the hartford times and he thought he should have pictures in it, and he had done some like.

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00:04:41.160 --> 00:04:48.030

Lucy Fuentes: A lot of his family and Puerto Rico would send them somewhere this summer to live with an uncle or stay with a family, so he knew something about photography.

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00:04:49.290 --> 00:04:57.630

Lucy Fuentes: On his own and so he ended up he didn't like it wasn't happy with the way that harford time is used his pictures, so he built a dark room and our.

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00:04:58.980 --> 00:05:03.000

Lucy Fuentes: that's pointless split level, so the closet under the stairs he turned into a dark room.

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00:05:03.390 --> 00:05:06.000

Lucy Fuentes: And made his own pictures wow.

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00:05:06.420 --> 00:05:16.680

Lucy Fuentes: So yeah and then that's a while we were living in that point, there was a program called model cities that came into effect where residents were supposed to form committees with.

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00:05:17.850 --> 00:05:39.870

Lucy Fuentes: Institutions and develop projects, and so I was got put on the I volunteered for and signed up for the education Committee, and so there was that, and then a drone Smith rosario she was on that committee and and some other people, and that was that's that part but me with time on was.

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00:05:42.210 --> 00:05:51.720

Lucy Fuentes: And he started he didn't start the newspaper till we moved it to in our own House where he got his own equipment in House but anyway, he was asked, because he was involved with a lot of the civic.

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00:05:52.230 --> 00:05:56.940

Lucy Fuentes: protests that were going on, he was out in the Community, a lot and I know that there was a.

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00:05:58.320 --> 00:06:03.900

Lucy Fuentes: There was a some kind of a riot let's see I was home with kids so I don't remember it all really well.

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00:06:04.320 --> 00:06:17.580

Lucy Fuentes: There was some kind of a riot on park street there was a bar and there were motorcycle guys and the Puerto Rican community and them that into some kind of a conflict and one was asked to ride with the police to help calm down the Puerto Rican is because he spoke Spanish.

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00:06:17.880 --> 00:06:25.140

Lucy Fuentes: And how some of that I vaguely remember that he told me about his car well anyway there's a lot of stuff going on, I know about.

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00:06:26.130 --> 00:06:28.950

Lucy Fuentes: 1991 we moved to the blue hills that's.

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00:06:29.220 --> 00:06:38.250

Lucy Fuentes: What it was at one point, our income was such that we were told we needed to move out of touch point because it was low income and we are, as a long, long story.

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00:06:39.000 --> 00:06:49.350

Lucy Fuentes: that's that's so we moved out of that we got a House that we didn't know whether we should move to the south end or the north end, but the south end of that time was awfully prejudiced.

00:06:49.650 --> 00:06:50.850 camilo ruiz: And we were very.

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00:06:51.330 --> 00:06:58.500

Lucy Fuentes: prejudiced, it was the you know the the angle Community Polish and Italian and everything they were moving to the south end.

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00:06:59.010 --> 00:07:03.570

Lucy Fuentes: And Puerto ricans could live in we're living in both sides of town.

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00:07:04.470 --> 00:07:09.720

Lucy Fuentes: But we ended up getting our House on in blue the blue hills neighborhood which is now primarily.

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00:07:10.080 --> 00:07:18.600

Lucy Fuentes: African America and Jamaican West Indian at this time and at that time it was turning so we've got our little house which I still live in.

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00:07:19.920 --> 00:07:25.740

Lucy Fuentes: In 1970 when Christmas after Christmas suddenly when we moved in here and there, that's when.

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00:07:27.180 --> 00:07:36.150

Lucy Fuentes: These guys who moved in with a couple of white families moved into the city from the suburbs and formed an organization called education instructs young.

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 $00:07:36.780 \longrightarrow 00:07:47.280$

Lucy Fuentes: And they asked one to be there Hispanic counterpart that one guy was white, there was a guy that was black and he left in a woman who is black and white and.

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00:07:47.820 --> 00:07:58.980

Lucy Fuentes: So anyway one work with education and still so young, and they were fighting racism, they had a theme of remember education kills us all, and I was that I had.

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camilo ruiz: occasion to.

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Lucy Fuentes: instruct zone slash education instructions last.
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00:08:05.700 --> 00:08:18.780
Lucy Fuentes: Because instructs young, at least according to them is
more of the proper word to use in Spanish than education that's what
wants it there's lots of lots of arguments or disagreements about the
language, as you may know.
00:08:19.170 --> 00:08:19.590
camilo ruiz: uh huh.
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00:08:19.800 --> 00:08:22.320
Lucy Fuentes: And around that same time was when the teacher core.
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00:08:23.550 --> 00:08:31.290
Lucy Fuentes: The bilingual education committee well the education
committee that was working with the board of education on a project
from model cities.
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00:08:31.740 --> 00:08:37.740
Lucy Fuentes: was trying to I was facing the fact that esl was
knocking English as a second language wasn't working.
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00:08:38.370 --> 00:08:45.660
Lucy Fuentes: kids were going into that program may or may not have
their only problem might have might not have been the lack of English,
but um.
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00:08:46.260 --> 00:08:58.470
Lucy Fuentes: They so they were kept an esl until it was determined
that their English was good enough to go into regular classrooms but
now I might they might be in third grade class and maybe their English
wasn't at that they hadn't learned the subject material.
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00:08:58.860 --> 00:08:59.340
camilo ruiz: mm hmm.
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00:08:59.790 --> 00:09:02.190
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Lucy Fuentes: So now they had gone to all English classes.

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00:09:02.460 --> 00:09:20.220

Lucy Fuentes: and study the social studies in the Latin English and everything, so it was not, it was not working and kids were dropping out young people know Spanish speaking people in children from Spanish speaking homes were the dropout level was high and the academic level was high so they.

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00:09:21.300 --> 00:09:24.660

Lucy Fuentes: They develop the idea of bilingual education, but the system.

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00:09:25.470 --> 00:09:35.340

Lucy Fuentes: Was institution, we had a lot of opposition you didn't have any teachers would be qualified to teach this way, but if they were Spanish speaking teachers were they going to be qualified enough to teach.

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Lucy Fuentes: Along with the dominant teachers, they came on this pilot program to go recruit they got a bilingual education committee to develop a curriculum.

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Lucy Fuentes: And they went to Puerto Rico at some point we were kind of frustrated and stymied and that's when it became a political thing and Maria Sanchez got involved.

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00:09:54.570 --> 00:10:01.470

Lucy Fuentes: In that and really her being involved I think pushed it because the opposition from the administration that we were having.

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00:10:02.130 --> 00:10:14.070

Lucy Fuentes: Those of us is just residents were not having a whole lot of success with so yeah and one was reporting, all this is the thing about one was he, like, I told you, the thing I wrote he um.

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00:10:15.780 --> 00:10:25.680

Lucy Fuentes: He saw a lot of he didn't know if people didn't understand who Puerto ricans work well, he knew, but you know he assumed, they just didn't understand that they were citizens he had he

had.

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Lucy Fuentes: A higher level of education than the image that people had the stereotype that they had he he said when he came here.

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00:10:34.470 --> 00:10:43.980

Lucy Fuentes: I got a's in high school all he did an English and he got a's in English in high school when he was in Puerto Rico he came here as an adult and he went to a technical college.

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00:10:44.310 --> 00:10:49.830

Lucy Fuentes: to study mechanized accounting, which had to do with an old form of calculators and stuff.

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00:10:50.340 --> 00:10:57.900

Lucy Fuentes: So he felt he was and he came here to study hotel administration to become an administrator in the hotels and for week, but that was his plan.

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Lucy Fuentes: And it came to New York and everywhere, he went he said with language barrier that was why he couldn't he couldn't get into the school, he was going to go back home you got a cousin who told, oh no come to hartford.

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Lucy Fuentes: and his took the hartford was in February, because it was so cold and he want to know why the trees were all dead and he didn't realize that they were going to come back that was that's one of his favorite stories.

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00:11:22.710 --> 00:11:29.760

Lucy Fuentes: So, so you know when people asked him at the bank trying to get a bank account, they wanted to see his visa or his Green Card.

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00:11:30.150 --> 00:11:43.920

Lucy Fuentes: They didn't have one they didn't understand you know that, and when he would he would go anywhere and do anything and that it's like he didn't fit the stereotype of the poorest of the poor farmer he bottle quiet.

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00:11:46.440 --> 00:11:54.420

Lucy Fuentes: Because he was making trouble so anyway, he was much more outspoken and he worked in the tobacco fields for a while he got a job as supervising there.

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00:11:55.260 --> 00:11:56.940

Lucy Fuentes: He saw the conditions that were there.

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00:11:58.170 --> 00:12:05.910

Lucy Fuentes: i'm sure it was that was before my time so i'm sure that he he was outspoken about the conditions that were there and.

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00:12:06.810 --> 00:12:19.290

Lucy Fuentes: And then his he has his main thing was the fact that he wanted to improve the image both the self image of the Puerto Rican community by reporting on and photographing their events like weddings and.

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00:12:20.100 --> 00:12:36.930

Lucy Fuentes: funerals and conditions that were occurring there were protests were the hulu Lozano thing these things were mentioned at the by the people at the event that we went to the fact that we have those that have died because of firefighters didn't have.

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00:12:37.980 --> 00:12:39.060 camilo ruiz: Financial skills.

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Lucy Fuentes: To for the residents to tell them and that's the play hill neighborhood so i'm.

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00:12:46.350 --> 00:12:52.800

Lucy Fuentes: So much in our i'm you know that was all 50 years ago, but one photograph those things and document them and try to.

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00:12:53.340 --> 00:13:09.030

Lucy Fuentes: Try to share them I did it in his way, maybe not the way we would do things today but um and we still have a lot of his stuff in our basement and we don't know what we're going to do with it, and he exhibited the pictures and got some recognition that way.

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00:13:09.600 --> 00:13:10.050
camilo ruiz: mm hmm.
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00:13:10.230 --> 00:13:18.720
Lucy Fuentes: And then, after when we move to our House, he decided to
started the Spanish language newspaper, the first one, I think, was
the one he called El Salvador.
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00:13:19.140 --> 00:13:21.120
Lucy Fuentes: And he had a machine in the House, it could do.
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00:13:21.120 --> 00:13:33.960
Lucy Fuentes: The type setting and he learned how to late he laid it
all out and then he took it to a printer and you've delivered it but,
when it came time to collecting the money for the ads didn't really
that part he wasn't so good at so.
93
00:13:35.400 --> 00:13:40.170
Lucy Fuentes: I tried to help and I learned a lot of quite a lot of
Spanish by helping him with a type setting.
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00:13:40.470 --> 00:13:42.930
Lucy Fuentes: and trying to correct obvious errors like and.
00:13:43.170 --> 00:13:51.270
Lucy Fuentes: You know, it said K you instead of K UE that was obvious
enough for me so when I was homeless, I had two more kids after that
SO.
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00:13:51.720 --> 00:14:08.100
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Lucy Fuentes: And we didn't have they care or anybody around here to babysit so you know I mean I might have I feel kind of like the neighbors I wish I had gone back to school and become a teacher, but that wasn't what god's plan for me, I think one needed me to support.

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00:14:09.150 --> 00:14:14.910

Lucy Fuentes: him in his his efforts and his tirades and that that's the way it was it was good.

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00:14:16.080 --> 00:14:25.440

Lucy Fuentes: So he had been the El Salvador, but he didn't get a whole lot of help with it from people in the Community, some people were critical of.

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00:14:25.860 --> 00:14:37.290

Lucy Fuentes: You know what what he was covering what his language was like are they thought they could do it better people would ask him, you know educate we're going to learn how to do that and it's a was a kindergarten drop out when they asked for his.

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00:14:38.370 --> 00:14:39.330

Lucy Fuentes: You know if they ask you.

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00:14:39.690 --> 00:14:46.650

Lucy Fuentes: Where you went to school, how far you went and so he was in kindergarten drop out and they probably didn't have kindergarten and he was growing up period.

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00:14:48.420 --> 00:14:57.960

Lucy Fuentes: yeah so that's that's I don't know that was one thing that came in my mind, most recently, he was very outspoken and.

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00:14:59.280 --> 00:15:11.100

Lucy Fuentes: He cared a lot, but he also got angry when injustices were taking place, and when people said things that that he offended him and when they didn't understand where he was coming from and they chalked it up to.

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00:15:12.690 --> 00:15:21.630

Lucy Fuentes: His language you know people would say he would say i'm speaking English your language, the best I can, if you don't understand me i'll speak to you in Spanish well you.

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00:15:21.630 --> 00:15:22.470 Lucy Fuentes: understand that.

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00:15:23.100 --> 00:15:25.050

Lucy Fuentes: He didn't say quite like that he said it a little more.

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00:15:26.100 --> 00:15:29.580

Lucy Fuentes: And then there were the bad apples and ponyo is.

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Lucy Fuentes: When a teacher Court came they came we did a lot they came to our House a lot they brought their beer and they sat around the top the politics.

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00:15:40.080 --> 00:15:48.300

Lucy Fuentes: And environments was is one that's still here with us, that was a good time, sharing the culture, some of them played music.

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00:15:49.650 --> 00:15:54.750

Lucy Fuentes: And, and we were able to provide them with some some semblance of.

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00:15:56.160 --> 00:15:59.640

Lucy Fuentes: Their culture in the cold winter months of Connecticut.

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00:16:00.090 --> 00:16:09.570

Lucy Fuentes: wow and and the newspapers, you know he really wanted to improve the image of his people also their self image, you know that they had.

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00:16:10.650 --> 00:16:14.130

Lucy Fuentes: People who were teachers and they who did things and.

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00:16:15.510 --> 00:16:28.890

Lucy Fuentes: And and the causes that were the protests and the things that were going on in the Community, and it was all you know that was the goal of his is doing pictures and photographing things is.

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00:16:29.820 --> 00:16:36.480

Lucy Fuentes: Who is everywhere everywhere, I don't think fraud how neighborhood became what we see as the Puerto Rican community but.

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00:16:36.960 --> 00:16:46.140

Lucy Fuentes: The Puerto Rican Community was is unique in that there were those who lived in the north end and there were those who lived in the Center and there were those who lived in the south end and they moved up.

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00:16:46.590 --> 00:16:50.730

Lucy Fuentes: that some have moved up and out to bloomfield Windsor West hartford.

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00:16:51.360 --> 00:17:05.940

Lucy Fuentes: wethersfield newington and some have stayed in the city, for whatever reason, either by choice or because they don't have the resources to do else likewise but fraud, how it became when we first came home from college neighborhood was.

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00:17:07.980 --> 00:17:18.990

Lucy Fuentes: very much like there were Greeks and Polish and French Canadians is significant number of French Canadians and Portuguese and then, when the Vietnamese.

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00:17:20.100 --> 00:17:24.570

Lucy Fuentes: Migration came after the Vietnam War we had Vietnamese there and.

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00:17:25.710 --> 00:17:26.160

Lucy Fuentes: But.

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00:17:27.540 --> 00:17:30.900

Lucy Fuentes: Those other Cubans and Peruvians and.

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Lucy Fuentes: A lot of other South American communities, but it seemed like most of them were at the appearance, is that most of them were able to to move on up and out spread out and Puerto Rican community in the Dominican Community now the Mexican American Community.

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00:17:49.980 --> 00:18:02.820

Lucy Fuentes: And, but the Puerto Rican Community still stayed what for good or ill, there were a lot of that's the one of his famous pictures is one if they showed in the book the park street festivals so.

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00:18:03.570 --> 00:18:07.650

Lucy Fuentes: That was another way of giving recognition to the Community to having a Community sense of.

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00:18:08.280 --> 00:18:19.830
Lucy Fuentes: The Puerto Rican parade that were held in the state that
was that was a statewide movement and the point of them was first of
all for people to know that Puerto ricans were eligible to vote and
encouraged Puerto ricans to vote.
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00:18:20.370 --> 00:18:20.700
camilo ruiz: and
128
00:18:21.090 --> 00:18:32.760
Lucy Fuentes: So there was a political aspect to the parades as well
as people now it's that it's often displaying culture and pride it's
grown over time and pandemic has kind of limited it.
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00:18:33.210 --> 00:18:34.440
camilo ruiz: yeah yeah.
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00:18:35.040 --> 00:18:36.780
Lucy Fuentes: So that's a long.
00:18:38.070 --> 00:18:38.670
camilo ruiz: I know.
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00:18:38.790 --> 00:18:51.690
camilo ruiz: I have some questions that I think relate to what you
have told me so far, so how the one impacted the frog Hello community.
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00:18:54.300 --> 00:18:55.320
Lucy Fuentes: I.
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00:18:56.850 --> 00:19:04.110
Lucy Fuentes: Take photographing and publishing through his newspaper
events of importance to that community.
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00:19:04.440 --> 00:19:07.410
Lucy Fuentes: mm hmm as well as in the Caribbean community.
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00:19:09.990 --> 00:19:29.850
Lucy Fuentes: So it's a recording that for for history, I guess, I
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don't know it has it remains to be seen how much of that is becomes history and how much of it becomes forgotten, as we know, I mean I worked at the library, I know something about his story and who writes the story and where it goes.

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00:19:31.110 --> 00:19:34.830

Lucy Fuentes: And I said that's up to you guys because that's that's the College thing.

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00:19:35.430 --> 00:19:41.760

Lucy Fuentes: yeah the attempts were made at trinity Carol career, do you know her.

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00:19:41.970 --> 00:19:42.480

camilo ruiz: yeah yeah.

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00:19:42.840 --> 00:19:45.810

camilo ruiz: yeah we interviewed her for for this project.

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00:19:46.140 --> 00:19:49.740

Lucy Fuentes: And I think she interviewed one sometime for a project like this.

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00:19:49.860 --> 00:19:52.830

camilo ruiz: Puerto Rican heritage trail maybe.

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00:19:53.340 --> 00:20:00.750

Lucy Fuentes: i'm not sure I just know that the somewhere that was you know did a Google search with his name yeah when you're doing your searches it's one point is this got on don't.

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00:20:01.170 --> 00:20:01.620 camilo ruiz: Even when he.

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00:20:01.650 --> 00:20:13.170

Lucy Fuentes: First came he just stayed as one point is that was another thing I was going to say and at some point that I think was the telephone company tried to get him to pay some other one point is is bill.

00:20:14.280 --> 00:20:23.970

Lucy Fuentes: So he threw a fit and he got his name changed other phone and after that, in all of his public work he use both last names one went as just got one go.

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00:20:26.130 --> 00:20:26.760 Lucy Fuentes: You gotta look up.

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00:20:26.820 --> 00:20:28.740

camilo ruiz: This got a good strategy to scale.

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00:20:29.790 --> 00:20:30.150

Lucy Fuentes: yeah.

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00:20:30.780 --> 00:20:39.390

Lucy Fuentes: Company well and that's not it's not so much a scam but you know it's that's part of the culture, I mean this is the way I understand it, there are a lot of.

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00:20:40.500 --> 00:20:48.780

Lucy Fuentes: The first and second things are often very common and the island, particularly need to be identified by also your mother's maiden name.

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00:20:50.070 --> 00:20:52.440

Lucy Fuentes: You know how many couple of releases are there.

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00:20:53.070 --> 00:20:59.130

camilo ruiz: yeah too many, but no to my dentist like a face, they can respond to them threes.

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00:21:01.350 --> 00:21:09.900

Lucy Fuentes: And the difficulty came with that, for those who use those when they first came is that often they picked up the mother's last name, instead of the father's last name.

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00:21:10.590 --> 00:21:18.090

Lucy Fuentes: When people were entering into systems and they gave their names, they gave them they didn't give them the complete name they picked up the last name.

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00:21:18.480 --> 00:21:19.860 Lucy Fuentes: So hyphenated help.

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00:21:20.220 --> 00:21:26.610

Lucy Fuentes: That was that cause a significant amount of confusion and people applying for services or kids going to school.

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00:21:28.020 --> 00:21:37.590

Lucy Fuentes: Who your parents were us the assumption might be made, since you had the mother's last name that you were you didn't have a father who's recognizing you.

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00:21:38.700 --> 00:21:40.620

Lucy Fuentes: This is all I mean we're all into.

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00:21:41.730 --> 00:21:52.080

Lucy Fuentes: You know we're very lit whoa I don't know into the the subtle way the micro aggressions they use are different but there but they're there.

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00:21:52.320 --> 00:21:53.670

camilo ruiz: Of course, they still exist.

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00:21:53.880 --> 00:22:05.490

Lucy Fuentes: The 5050 years ago, or more um those were things that hurt, you know that was a lack of understanding and acceptance of people and their culture, the way it is.

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00:22:05.850 --> 00:22:07.050 camilo ruiz: Of course yeah.

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00:22:08.670 --> 00:22:19.770

camilo ruiz: So that's very interesting you've talked about how one was crucial or impacted the frog Hello community, why do you think the frog Hello community and.

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00:22:20.790 --> 00:22:23.670

camilo ruiz: And named him named him a hero.

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00:22:25.800 --> 00:22:27.690
Lucy Fuentes: that's a good question I don't know.
167
00:22:28.740 --> 00:22:35.520
Lucy Fuentes: He was very well known, because he went to all the
events and was very outspoken and.
168
00:22:37.350 --> 00:22:41.130
Lucy Fuentes: A lot lot of people called him poppy or deal.
00:22:41.760 --> 00:22:43.200
Lucy Fuentes: Happy poppy.
170
00:22:44.160 --> 00:22:45.120
Lucy Fuentes: Poppy deal.
171
00:22:46.890 --> 00:22:50.640
Lucy Fuentes: And I often think personally myself I don't know what to
put in there that.
172
00:22:52.350 --> 00:22:59.370
Lucy Fuentes: A lot, not a lot of people in the Community have absent
fathers or fathers that are less than.
173
00:23:00.720 --> 00:23:06.330
Lucy Fuentes: Whatever, and so they they looked up to one and respect
he either he people who hated him.
174
00:23:06.960 --> 00:23:07.800
Lucy Fuentes: or or.
175
00:23:08.040 --> 00:23:21.630
Lucy Fuentes: And some loved him and liked him or but, but most of
them respect to him, he had he had integrity, he didn't do what he did
that's the unfortunately for us but that's why I went to work in the
library he didn't do things for money.
176
00:23:23.130 --> 00:23:42.570
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Lucy Fuentes: He did his strong principles and he was willing to fight for things that he saw were injustices favorite book and he

spoke to all up people in all levels of the Community, I mean from from the poorest on the streets to the politicians.

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177
00:23:43.980 --> 00:23:44.760
Lucy Fuentes: was well known.
00:23:47.040 --> 00:23:47.490
Lucy Fuentes: He was.
179
00:23:48.570 --> 00:23:53.460
Lucy Fuentes: Maybe it's his artistic flair i'm not sure, but it was
definitely not an introvert.
180
00:23:55.260 --> 00:24:06.480
Lucy Fuentes: And he wasn't you know he got around and he was you
know, like I mentioned, he did stuff with the black community and the
white community to I mean, as far as helping them with their
newspapers are taking pictures of their events.
181
00:24:07.200 --> 00:24:22.140
Lucy Fuentes: And the heart and many of the people that you met there
today certainly knew about one you know he wasn't shy and retiring
that's for sure he unfortunately he wasn't in somebody who just went
to work to earn more money and get more schooling and.
182
00:24:24.270 --> 00:24:32.190
Lucy Fuentes: But it's all good I mean it's like I said, you know God
said, you want to be rich or famous or respected, one would go for
respect.
183
00:24:32.790 --> 00:24:34.770
camilo ruiz: hmm that's pretty sweet.
184
00:24:35.220 --> 00:24:36.030
camilo ruiz: I like that.
185
00:24:37.980 --> 00:24:39.810
Lucy Fuentes: This is our Community so that's.
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00:24:39.870 --> 00:24:44.580

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Lucy Fuentes: I guess he's famous a lot of people around who still
remember him.
187
00:24:47.970 --> 00:24:54.930
camilo ruiz: Lucy and why where is his photographic archive and what's
going to happen with it.
188
00:24:56.070 --> 00:25:00.090
Lucy Fuentes: I don't know that's a lot of I don't know.
00:25:01.410 --> 00:25:02.190
Lucy Fuentes: He.
190
00:25:03.690 --> 00:25:05.070
Lucy Fuentes: A lot of stuff is in our basement.
191
00:25:05.520 --> 00:25:06.000
camilo ruiz: mm hmm.
192
00:25:06.270 --> 00:25:09.150
Lucy Fuentes: That was before his health deteriorated after.
193
00:25:10.980 --> 00:25:16.980
Lucy Fuentes: And he always wanted to write a book and one of my
daughters that came with us to the thing.
194
00:25:18.570 --> 00:25:28.890
Lucy Fuentes: would like to be able to do that, I mean people had
suggested you write a book, but we never really got into how to go
about doing it one was somewhat distrustful of.
195
00:25:30.450 --> 00:25:39.210
Lucy Fuentes: Who, he should give control of giving up control of his
collection so it's been in my basement and it's still there.
196
00:25:39.540 --> 00:25:40.050
Lucy Fuentes: And I.
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00:25:40.230 --> 00:25:47.430
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Lucy Fuentes: tried to digitize some stuff, an attempt was made to digitize some of the photographs at one point, while he was still here and.

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00:25:48.600 --> 00:25:51.720

Lucy Fuentes: I don't know how much damage has been done to what's there.

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00:25:52.080 --> 00:25:53.580 camilo ruiz: In a lot mm hmm.

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00:25:53.670 --> 00:26:00.780

Lucy Fuentes: And it's been talked about it was it was talked about welcome you're still alive the historical society was willing to do something.

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00:26:01.410 --> 00:26:14.790

Lucy Fuentes: But he never pursued it was his collections I wasn't something we could get him to do is somewhat concerned that, where people been treated appropriately if I think he thought he had in his mind that it was worth an awful lot of money.

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00:26:15.390 --> 00:26:28.290

Lucy Fuentes: And it sounded like people were saying that wasn't worth that much, and I don't know for sure I mean he because he worked in struggle all his life and he kind of thought he might have something maybe I don't know it could be, he was angel I.

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00:26:30.300 --> 00:26:48.330

Lucy Fuentes: You know I mean it's your work and it's your life and and I don't know he likes doing exhibit so he would he managed to get grants or funds to frame to get a larger prints and frame them and hang them a lot of it was a lot of Labor intensive on his own part.

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00:26:50.280 --> 00:26:53.880

Lucy Fuentes: So I don't I don't know where that goes or how to do that and I I just.

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00:26:55.200 --> 00:26:57.960

Lucy Fuentes: we've talked about it, the girls and I.

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00:26:59.310 --> 00:27:03.690

Lucy Fuentes: So I don't know, I know, probably mentioned something you know him.

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00:27:04.080 --> 00:27:04.980 camilo ruiz: yeah I know him.

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00:27:05.070 --> 00:27:13.680

Lucy Fuentes: And the folks at the library mentioned something random Miller and the I don't know the historical society lady that he interacted with it's no longer there.

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00:27:14.340 --> 00:27:20.400

Lucy Fuentes: So I don't know what's up with them the Connecticut historical society or the hartford public libraries history Center or.

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00:27:21.060 --> 00:27:35.520

Lucy Fuentes: or Trinity College, but it's it's not something I didn't graduate from college, I found out and doing this to me so that married my husband, but I did work at the library, but it's not it's like it's still one stuff I don't know how to explain it it's like i'm still.

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00:27:36.120 --> 00:27:40.560

Lucy Fuentes: Here it's one job like mixing our House is one job.

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00:27:42.390 --> 00:27:47.820

Lucy Fuentes: it's kind of a you know but it's all good I mean like I say it's all it's all.

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00:27:53.760 --> 00:27:59.400

Lucy Fuentes: he's still here, to a certain extent, that you are so maybe that's my reluctance also.

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00:28:00.690 --> 00:28:01.290

Of course.

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00:28:04.980 --> 00:28:05.880

camilo ruiz: we're gonna take a minute.

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00:28:07.710 --> 00:28:10.440
Lucy Fuentes: Well okay this change the subject.
217
00:28:11.790 --> 00:28:13.470
Lucy Fuentes: Give me a different question.
218
00:28:13.590 --> 00:28:14.400
camilo ruiz: i'll get.
219
00:28:15.030 --> 00:28:16.200
camilo ruiz: A different question.
220
00:28:16.290 --> 00:28:23.610
camilo ruiz: A, how do you think hartford and for a colo could honor
the legacy of one.
221
00:28:29.640 --> 00:28:31.110
Lucy Fuentes: That yeah that's a hard one to.
222
00:28:35.910 --> 00:28:40.530
Lucy Fuentes: I don't know that they know they've done, they can do
anymore.
223
00:28:41.190 --> 00:28:45.720
Lucy Fuentes: mm hmm, I would like to Community to be respected, the
same.
224
00:28:47.220 --> 00:28:49.170
Lucy Fuentes: That, I think that one would want.
225
00:28:50.220 --> 00:28:52.650
Lucy Fuentes: People to respect the people who live there.
226
00:28:52.980 --> 00:28:55.380
Lucy Fuentes: And and shop there and.
227
00:28:57.930 --> 00:29:01.650
Lucy Fuentes: You know if we can get rid of racism and colorism and
bias.
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00:29:02.730 --> 00:29:13.260
Lucy Fuentes: and have equal opportunities for education and
employment for everybody, that would be wonderful, but that's not
something I don't know that that's possible.
229
00:29:15.060 --> 00:29:16.200
Lucy Fuentes: You know what I mean that's.
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00:29:16.230 --> 00:29:16.560
veah.
231
00:29:18.990 --> 00:29:19.560
camilo ruiz: that's I.
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00:29:20.580 --> 00:29:26.580
camilo ruiz: Think that's one of the most beautiful answers that I
heard when we have asked this question.
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00:29:26.850 --> 00:29:36.930
Lucy Fuentes: Somehow we could change that that's I don't know it has
allowed me to change the image these stereotypes and continuing
prejudices and attitudes.
234
00:29:41.280 --> 00:29:43.800
Lucy Fuentes: have to go know whether they were not, though.
235
00:29:44.940 --> 00:29:45.900
Lucy Fuentes: know if it's up to us.
236
00:29:47.310 --> 00:29:47.670
yeah.
237
00:29:52.590 --> 00:30:07.560
camilo ruiz: Lucy you basically with your exercise of writing and
going through through that initial moment of the of the interview have
cover mostly all the questions I had for you.
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00:30:08.700 --> 00:30:14.130
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camilo ruiz: But I think I would like to ask now.

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00:30:15.180 --> 00:30:24.990

camilo ruiz: thinking that this is a public History project that is interested in rescuing popular history of rock Hello.

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00:30:26.790 --> 00:30:34.080

camilo ruiz: Is there anything that you would like to say about one or that should be.

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00:30:35.730 --> 00:30:37.560

camilo ruiz: recorded here that should be.

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00:30:39.240 --> 00:30:39.780

camilo ruiz: said.

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00:30:50.010 --> 00:30:56.760

Lucy Fuentes: I can't think of it, I guess, I feel like you know mine is only one person's perspective, and of course it was.

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00:30:58.260 --> 00:31:06.090

Lucy Fuentes: Very close, but there were many others who might have different opinions, I guess, I was thinking about philosophy I don't have to talk to him, he used to be a trade Professor.

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00:31:06.390 --> 00:31:10.620

camilo ruiz: I read his book I didn't know.

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00:31:10.890 --> 00:31:11.520

He was only.

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00:31:12.960 --> 00:31:17.280

Lucy Fuentes: One and he were worked together at one point he knew some the hartford news.

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00:31:18.630 --> 00:31:23.850

Lucy Fuentes: started the heart this it was southside neighborhood news and now it's the hartford news that paper.

00:31:24.210 --> 00:31:27.420 Lucy Fuentes: and his wife Marilyn Cologne they had a business on the street. 250 00:31:27.540 --> 00:31:43.050 Lucy Fuentes: For a while and the heart is still around I don't know what he would say, but many of the folks that that were at the event might have other insights and my kids, of course, what have I mean you heard what my daughter Carmen Teresa had to say. 251 00:31:45.270 --> 00:31:51.870 Lucy Fuentes: So I don't know yeah that's, I guess, I would say, maybe some of those other people might have insight into that as well. 252 00:31:54.240 --> 00:31:57.330 camilo ruiz: Just a quick question then elixir. 253 00:31:59.160 --> 00:32:01.110 camilo ruiz: lasted from when when. 254 00:32:02.100 --> 00:32:06.270 Lucy Fuentes: The dates are going to have to look up I can't remember, I was over there was. 255 00:32:07.980 --> 00:32:15.150 Lucy Fuentes: Maybe 1972 to 1976 navy. 256 00:32:15.480 --> 00:32:24.930 Lucy Fuentes: wow and then he would he closed it down because it wasn't getting help and he wasn't it wasn't paying the bills, but then he started up another one against, why. 257 00:32:25.980 --> 00:32:27.030 Lucy Fuentes: don't quote that part. 258 00:32:28.140 --> 00:32:28.950 Lucy Fuentes: This became. 259

00:32:29.460 --> 00:32:30.720 Lucy Fuentes: An issue for us.

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00:32:32.370 --> 00:32:33.120

Lucy Fuentes: Because.

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00:32:33.300 --> 00:32:46.410

Lucy Fuentes: I was hoping to go after the first two kids got into school, I was going to go to work and then I got pregnant again and had two more and that, during that time he started up la prensa graphic the.

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00:32:47.670 --> 00:32:55.500

Lucy Fuentes: Newspaper well i'm home with kids again so i'm helping them out again and i'm in the basement again and we're up all night.

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00:32:56.040 --> 00:33:03.870

Lucy Fuentes: he's up all night trying to get this thing done in time for his deadline, but honey where's the money coming from the who's paying the bills and where are they know.

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00:33:05.040 --> 00:33:12.120

Lucy Fuentes: The phone gets cut off just you got kind of get behind on the mortgage, so this is don't put any new thing.

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00:33:13.410 --> 00:33:20.070

Lucy Fuentes: that's how you really got, and so I went, I have to go to work and I went to first say data.

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00:33:20.880 --> 00:33:39.300

Lucy Fuentes: And the summertime I drove the man for the day camp a girl scouts and then I got a job working at a bookstore was church bookstore on capital and broad and that wasn't paying too well, but at least you know it's helped with it finances and got some of those bills taken care of and.

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00:33:41.190 --> 00:33:49.380

Lucy Fuentes: A good friend of ours is one friend first and then my who worked for the main library mentioned that they were having trouble getting somebody to work at the.

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00:33:50.550 --> 00:33:59.370

Lucy Fuentes: library position at the park branch that also is a good

one branch new unwritten avenue doing mostly clerical work typing up the overdue notices and sending them out.

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00:33:59.760 --> 00:34:09.060

Lucy Fuentes: And, and she recommended me and I got the job, and so I went to work for the library and got a good sound and decent salary and good benefits.

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00:34:09.480 --> 00:34:23.130

Lucy Fuentes: health, the health benefits we're good, so I was able to work full time and managed to pay most of the bills and allowed one to enable continue to do his thing protesting and recording and taking pictures and.

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00:34:24.450 --> 00:34:35.850

Lucy Fuentes: A lot of people come up and have said to him, while he was here, and since he's gone about how he took a picture of somebody or their wedding or something and they never saw the pictures because they're probably.

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00:34:36.660 --> 00:34:42.630

Lucy Fuentes: Somewhere in the basement i'm not going to know you know that picture one took me whatever whatever I don't know.

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00:34:42.990 --> 00:34:55.320

Lucy Fuentes: I don't know he took a lot of pictures, but he might have only used one perfect one for the paper and there might be other is a lot of them if they weren't right it's all black and white, he didn't he took some color but.

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00:34:55.830 --> 00:35:02.760

Lucy Fuentes: That required he wasn't something you could develop this stuff in the House and then trying to get him to do digitize to do.

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00:35:04.650 --> 00:35:22.200

Lucy Fuentes: When when he was home we bought a digital cameras and stuff but he just and the computer right I started the Facebook page because he was now sort of homebound and but he never could get into it, because ISM is health has diabetes, diabetes and is.

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00:35:23.460 --> 00:35:26.970

Lucy Fuentes: What you call that manipulate typing on a computer

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games.
277
00:35:27.510 --> 00:35:29.820
Lucy Fuentes: You know you hit the wrong button it goes crazy and.
278
00:35:29.880 --> 00:35:30.450
veah.
279
00:35:32.790 --> 00:35:38.370
Lucy Fuentes: But he did the exhibits so that yeah that's, what can I
say I don't know what that started that question was.
280
00:35:39.120 --> 00:35:42.000
Lucy Fuentes: I was my grandma no no it's okay.
281
00:35:42.720 --> 00:35:47.370
camilo ruiz: So he was a black and white photographer basically
because he could develop the film at home.
282
00:35:47.580 --> 00:35:48.630
camilo ruiz: Yes, and he could.
283
00:35:49.410 --> 00:35:51.240
camilo ruiz: Because of the aesthetics of black and white.
284
00:35:52.320 --> 00:35:54.270
Lucy Fuentes: He cared about this that acts as well.
285
00:35:54.600 --> 00:35:55.920
Lucy Fuentes: has to be a perfect picture.
286
00:35:56.250 --> 00:36:03.870
Lucy Fuentes: As as I remember, he he didn't take a course at the
University of hartford at one point of photography and he said the
Professor said he couldn't teach him anything.
287
00:36:04.260 --> 00:36:17.040
Lucy Fuentes: Because he already knew about the rule of three and
composition and depth, a lot of his pictures had his his thing was
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depth of contrast, I can't explain it yes his photographs are.

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00:36:18.330 --> 00:36:27.330

Lucy Fuentes: He had both the ones who use for the newspaper, but they also That was the other thing it took him forever and he spent a lot of time on it, because he was kind of a perfectionist about how.

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00:36:28.200 --> 00:36:34.980

Lucy Fuentes: You should look and and if they didn't come out the way he wanted them to even if he took them for you for your wedding and you're going to pay him money you wouldn't get them.

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00:36:38.310 --> 00:36:44.970

Lucy Fuentes: me to get mad cuz he do it and you put them on a book and give it to him and they said oh that doesn't look like me and they wouldn't didn't want to pay for.

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00:36:45.990 --> 00:36:46.590

camilo ruiz: Oh.

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00:36:46.920 --> 00:36:48.390

Lucy Fuentes: yeah that's what he would say.

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00:36:50.340 --> 00:36:52.680

Lucy Fuentes: They get divorced before he got them to him I don't know.

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00:36:54.540 --> 00:36:57.720

Lucy Fuentes: So yeah he did some color but yeah his thing was black and white.

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00:36:57.780 --> 00:37:01.860

Lucy Fuentes: Like and there's there's a guy David Gonzalez who's in New York.

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00:37:02.250 --> 00:37:09.150

Lucy Fuentes: mm hmm interesting see that's what it's not just about how but I mean that's our focus and that's.

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00:37:10.110 --> 00:37:11.610

Lucy Fuentes: When solace with. 298 00:37:11.640 --> 00:37:12.840 Lucy Fuentes: A student at Yale. 299 $00:37:13.290 \longrightarrow 00:37:13.680$ camilo ruiz: mm hmm. 300 00:37:13.710 --> 00:37:20.640 Lucy Fuentes: One down there for some event I don't know if was a Puerto Rican parade event or I don't David would know, maybe. 301 00:37:22.440 --> 00:37:32.610 Lucy Fuentes: And somehow David one connected as one saw some pictures David had taken with his camera and told them, he was had a really good I and you should say photography. 302 00:37:33.000 --> 00:37:45.780 Lucy Fuentes: And david's Father wanted him to be a doctor and that's why he was going to Yale but based on that David became a New York Times journalist and he's most recently has an exhibit going and. 303 00:37:47.910 --> 00:37:58.560 Lucy Fuentes: he's now it's kind of on the older side so he's he's now doing things as well, but he also still works pretty much in black and white, I don't know if you're connected to our our Facebook page he's. 304 00:37:59.220 --> 00:38:00.960 camilo ruiz: He said, all I all I look. 305 00:38:01.020 --> 00:38:04.620 camilo ruiz: Like I don't have Facebook, but I can looking for is for public ones like. 306

00:38:05.700 --> 00:38:16.020

Lucy Fuentes: Every once a while he sends us stuff we went down Carmen Teresa the data that's coast most closely connected with one and he took me down to a.

307 00:38:17.610 --> 00:38:22.830 Lucy Fuentes: was called photo ville with some place where they had a big artists in public domain on those David.

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308
00:38:23.220 --> 00:38:23.580
Lucy Fuentes: To talk.
00:38:24.180 --> 00:38:24.840
Lucy Fuentes: About David.
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00:38:25.170 --> 00:38:36.840
Lucy Fuentes: Okay, and but David still remembers one and respects him
and tells us about what he's doing and sending his cousin he gave me a
print from a picture that he took this going to be in a museum.
311
00:38:37.230 --> 00:38:47.940
Lucy Fuentes: mm hmm after the African American history museum and
there's a Hispanic American museum yet, but um yeah I think it's only
in the African American museum so he's he's he's.
312
00:38:49.140 --> 00:38:53.850
Lucy Fuentes: he's David has considers one his you know his primary
mentor.
313
00:38:54.420 --> 00:38:56.040
Lucy Fuentes: hmm so that's you know he.
314
00:38:57.510 --> 00:39:06.180
Lucy Fuentes: He he's been a guiding force in his life and the way his
life when he he's been all over he did a lot of stuff but anyway,
there was another one I would know one from another place.
315
00:39:06.990 --> 00:39:07.980
camilo ruiz: hmm that's great.
316
00:39:08.190 --> 00:39:09.630
camilo ruiz: that's great I happen to.
317
00:39:09.960 --> 00:39:13.110
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Lucy Fuentes: Step four is, as I said.

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318
00:39:14.040 --> 00:39:14.550
Lucy Fuentes: mm hmm.
319
00:39:14.940 --> 00:39:16.140
One mom.
320
00:39:17.460 --> 00:39:18.480
camilo ruiz: Why do you think.
321
00:39:19.470 --> 00:39:23.310
camilo ruiz: One was used photography.
322
00:39:30.810 --> 00:39:31.230
Lucy Fuentes: well.
323
00:39:32.880 --> 00:39:37.260
Lucy Fuentes: It had to do with the right this column that Joe Jose
Cruz.
324
00:39:38.310 --> 00:39:51.930
Lucy Fuentes: asking him to do the colon at the harford times, the
fact that the hartford times messed up when they tried to put pictures
in his column because folks were the you know I don't know for sure
this is my guess is.
325
00:39:52.590 --> 00:39:57.000
Lucy Fuentes: That something we we talked about are lined up, I have a
feeling that he encountered.
326
00:39:58.020 --> 00:40:08.670
Lucy Fuentes: remarks from folks white folks mostly that why bother
them or maybe there was coming to the newspaper I don't know why
bother with this people don't read or people can't read those are
things, I think.
327
00:40:09.030 --> 00:40:24.630
Lucy Fuentes: I recall himself, some people say my rp Puerto ricans
don't read So while we while doing this, so I think that's why he went
to the photography he knew something about it, and he developed that
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he bought you got books on it and and took the course and and.

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00:40:25.680 --> 00:40:32.100

Lucy Fuentes: And enjoyed it because it was artistic and he had and I definitely had an artistic flair an artistic side to him talent.

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00:40:33.270 --> 00:40:40.800

Lucy Fuentes: gift and it was also a way for him so that was a way to show.

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00:40:42.030 --> 00:40:46.140

Lucy Fuentes: In pictures a picture's worth 1000 words that's what he said that's an old thing but.

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00:40:46.620 --> 00:40:53.850

Lucy Fuentes: He said it and it's been around and that the pictures are worth 1000 words, and so the pictures that he took are telling stories.

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00:40:54.840 --> 00:41:03.240

Lucy Fuentes: And I don't know if anybody somewhere here in the House, we have the little program book that came with an exhibit exhibit that.

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00:41:04.170 --> 00:41:20.430

Lucy Fuentes: We have some documentation of exhibits that took place there was one of the Charter oak cultural Center that was like one of the first first curated photo exhibit that show the Puerto Rican community from this time to that time, so he did a number of exhibits after doing the newspapers.

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00:41:21.900 --> 00:41:22.980

Lucy Fuentes: And and.

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00:41:23.220 --> 00:41:25.800

camilo ruiz: Sorry, the life here is like automatic.

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00:41:26.160 --> 00:41:26.610

Around.

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00:41:29.370 --> 00:41:32.550

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camilo ruiz: We haven't figured out how it's it's a pain sorry.
338
00:41:32.790 --> 00:41:33.360
Yes.
339
00:41:34.440 --> 00:41:34.680
camilo ruiz: yeah.
340
00:41:36.120 --> 00:41:39.360
Lucy Fuentes: So yeah that so there's there's that there's also the
fact that.
341
00:41:40.320 --> 00:41:43.020
Lucy Fuentes: I don't know how much of this you want to put in there,
but one.
342
00:41:44.280 --> 00:41:56.280
Lucy Fuentes: Like to go to so the two events in general, but there
was a lot of drinking that would take place, so he had the camera and
protect pictures and socialize This is my own thing without being.
343
00:41:57.570 --> 00:42:02.550
Lucy Fuentes: feeling tempted to drink, because he had that problem in
the past and as youth.
344
00:42:03.810 --> 00:42:09.240
Lucy Fuentes: It did not drink at all anymore, but sometimes its
behavior made you wonder, but.
345
00:42:10.680 --> 00:42:10.890
Lucy Fuentes: If.
346
00:42:12.690 --> 00:42:13.020
Lucy Fuentes: I don't.
347
00:42:14.010 --> 00:42:15.510
camilo ruiz: quit drinking at some point.
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00:42:15.690 --> 00:42:27.330
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Lucy Fuentes: He was he was an alcoholics anonymous when I met him yeah I never saw him drink alcohol, but in Puerto Rico he did to access and was an A and when he came here, he was he went to a meeting was also.

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00:42:29.370 --> 00:42:29.880

Lucy Fuentes: So he.

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00:42:30.960 --> 00:42:34.470

Lucy Fuentes: would go to events, but he would not drink, and so I think that you know.

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00:42:34.590 --> 00:42:40.770

Lucy Fuentes: The camera was a way to socialize to be there, you had no way to be at the event and talk to people.

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00:42:42.660 --> 00:42:44.280

Lucy Fuentes: And you know your folks.

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00:42:45.390 --> 00:42:51.120

Lucy Fuentes: solve all the problems that complained about everything that happened in on the island and everything that's happening here and.

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00:42:53.160 --> 00:43:05.190

Lucy Fuentes: You know, speaking to be able to to to talk about you know to interact with people and talk about stuff and he was a very verbal person, both in his his own language, more so than English, but both languages.

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00:43:06.150 --> 00:43:07.950

Lucy Fuentes: yeah we went through we went through.

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00:43:09.270 --> 00:43:11.640 Lucy Fuentes: Strange times the.

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00:43:11.730 --> 00:43:12.660 camilo ruiz: In what sense.

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00:43:13.290 --> 00:43:24.030

Lucy Fuentes: Well, the Vietnam War, the civil rights movement that what happened locally that's the way people treated people, the separation of the Communities.

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00:43:28.440 --> 00:43:34.950

Lucy Fuentes: You know and Puerto ricans come here, they want to go everywhere, and they don't understand when people say you can't come here you can't come there, you can have a job.

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00:43:35.970 --> 00:43:45.570

Lucy Fuentes: I don't know if I mentioned that when when he came here, he took this mechanized accounting course so he and he wanted to be in a hotel administration, so at some point he got temporary positions at.

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00:43:46.260 --> 00:43:48.300

Lucy Fuentes: Two different hotels in hartford so.

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00:43:48.570 --> 00:43:53.850

Lucy Fuentes: He was hired to be a front end Clark for six months, and then after six months they let him go, because a language barrier.

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00:43:54.570 --> 00:43:58.020

camilo ruiz: And he felt his English was you know you got straight a's and English and Puerto Rico.

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00:43:58.410 --> 00:44:03.240

Lucy Fuentes: And how could it what's the what's the problem you know I mean.

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00:44:04.590 --> 00:44:05.340 Lucy Fuentes: it's there's more.

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00:44:05.370 --> 00:44:17.190

Lucy Fuentes: to it, of course, and then maybe they you know they just have somebody fill in who knows and we'd go out and hits out we're on candid camera cuz I was already gone on, he was that again yo.

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00:44:18.660 --> 00:44:19.170

Lucy Fuentes: So.

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368
00:44:19.890 --> 00:44:20.370
yeah.
369
00:44:21.900 --> 00:44:24.390
Lucy Fuentes: yeah no I don't learn well with that either.
370
00:44:24.900 --> 00:44:29.370
camilo ruiz: Okay it's a good night so good, and I think you're
providing.
371
00:44:30.630 --> 00:44:31.110
camilo ruiz: yeah.
372
00:44:32.310 --> 00:44:32.790
Lucy Fuentes: I just wish.
373
00:44:33.600 --> 00:44:34.650
Lucy Fuentes: him myself.
374
00:44:36.060 --> 00:44:36.450
Lucy Fuentes: yeah.
375
00:44:36.810 --> 00:44:37.440
No.
376
00:44:38.940 --> 00:44:42.120
Lucy Fuentes: No matter how much how much time goes by.
377
00:44:44.490 --> 00:44:45.000
camilo ruiz: hmm.
378
00:44:48.960 --> 00:44:50.100
camilo ruiz: So when did he die.
379
00:44:51.750 --> 00:44:55.050
Lucy Fuentes: September 16 2015.
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00:44:55.800 --> 00:44:56.220

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00:44:57.300 --> 00:44:59.340

camilo ruiz: It was because of the diabetes.

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00:44:59.880 --> 00:45:07.380

Lucy Fuentes: Well, long term he he was diagnosed with diabetes, when he was around in his 50s maybe 55 or so.

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00:45:08.130 --> 00:45:21.360

Lucy Fuentes: He wasn't very good about the pills human right away to insulin and, although he didn't drink and we cut out the sugar he still wasn't that great about doing what he needed to do to take care of himself over time.

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00:45:22.830 --> 00:45:35.340

Lucy Fuentes: We were both pretty heavy smokers he stopped smoking, but then he substituted sucking on hard candies for the cigarettes that probably didn't help, and you know you get older you get you know, and he developed the potbelly metabolism.

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00:45:35.820 --> 00:45:55.050

Lucy Fuentes: was always thin and put a lot of sugar and coffee and drink sodas and and that kind of stuff until he had the 50s and then put on the you know the domino weight and it probably wasn't I think may well have been in his family to whether they diagnosed or not.

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00:45:56.490 --> 00:46:00.660

Lucy Fuentes: And at first he thought you know just keep taking more insulin and then he didn't like the.

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00:46:01.410 --> 00:46:09.240

Lucy Fuentes: angle, Dr we had so he he got to put a weekend Dr we tried to explain things to him, but so he did the best he could, but he ended up.

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00:46:09.690 --> 00:46:21.870

Lucy Fuentes: In the hospital several times for heart issues and then so he had a heart doctor and taking medication medication and that pain, he had a lot of back pain so there's medicated for that.

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00:46:23.190 --> 00:46:31.860

Lucy Fuentes: This is from 55 to 70 or so 2010 I came home from work at the library and he was on the floor.

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00:46:32.400 --> 00:46:40.740

Lucy Fuentes: And when he was conscious and a pillow under said he said he tried to get out of bed, and he fell down and he wasn't couldn't get up he wasn't getting up, so I dragged him to the hospital.

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00:46:41.550 --> 00:46:53.550

Lucy Fuentes: And then we'll turn and we had a wheelchair in the House not under the hospital and they found that he had he's got a lot of fat and they operated on his neck the cervical.

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00:46:54.480 --> 00:47:10.350

Lucy Fuentes: And they fuse those with titanium things and he had physical therapy so he's had a lot of health issues but he's still managed to get around towards the end I was pushing them in the wheelchair to the Puerto Rican parade events in different events like that and but finally he.

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00:47:12.060 --> 00:47:28.920

Lucy Fuentes: he'd been another hospital several so many times and one day he had his walk around the House was pushing it down the hallway to get to the bathroom maybe on time and something happened he fell over the front of the Walker I was here, he said.

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00:47:29.520 --> 00:47:30.450

camilo ruiz: He got to do something.

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00:47:30.720 --> 00:47:37.470

Lucy Fuentes: I called the it was must have been on a Saturday or Sunday cuz I had to call urgent care and they said, well, you can bring them in but.

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00:47:38.670 --> 00:47:41.100

Lucy Fuentes: Whenever they're going to want to do a.

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00:47:41.580 --> 00:47:53.850

Lucy Fuentes: Cat scan or if you know they're going to do an x Ray so

it's best if you take him to emergency room and when I told him that what he said he said no i'm not going to the emergency room again because every time I go they find something wrong and they.

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00:47:54.540 --> 00:48:11.490

Lucy Fuentes: They cut me open and they sent me to rehab and you don't want to do that, and I said okay next day I think was a week or two later he had his regular primary care doctor visit, who did a little check and seemed as though he was Okay, but then several weeks later.

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00:48:12.960 --> 00:48:14.070

Lucy Fuentes: The kids were here and.

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00:48:15.720 --> 00:48:23.250

Lucy Fuentes: He was he couldn't see or something something he was in his room and then the same day, I had had.

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00:48:25.350 --> 00:48:44.370

Lucy Fuentes: A biopsy because I have a lump in my breast and I had gone no came home and he was disturbed, and so the kids called an ambulance and I wanted to go, but they said I shouldn't go because I just had this procedure, and so the grandson, who is here with him in the ambulance and.

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00:48:46.170 --> 00:49:06.660

Lucy Fuentes: It turned out, he had a subdermal thermal subdural hematoma which they said was delicate like jelly, which means that they they said afterwards there's up to, so I had been bleeding for a while and coagulated so that wasn't immediate, so I just feel like I should have.

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00:49:09.330 --> 00:49:12.810

Lucy Fuentes: made him go to the emergency room when he first had that fall.

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00:49:14.700 --> 00:49:20.970

Lucy Fuentes: I don't know for sure we'll never know for sure, I never got the grandson went with him to the hospital and by the time.

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00:49:21.600 --> 00:49:35.010

Lucy Fuentes: One kid could take care of her kids and come with me, we got to the hospital he never regained consciousness, they did the

surgery, but his brain was pushed too far off the brainstem and he was in a coma and.

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00:49:36.390 --> 00:49:46.470

Lucy Fuentes: He was in coma for about a week we called all the relatives and anybody who could come came we met with adopters and and decided that they should take him off.

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00:49:48.240 --> 00:49:54.300

Lucy Fuentes: Life support so that's when he died same day, we made that choice I got the call that the.

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00:49:56.430 --> 00:50:02.040

Lucy Fuentes: The biopsy was positive, but it couldn't deal with that anyway.

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00:50:03.120 --> 00:50:03.960

camilo ruiz: very much.

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00:50:04.020 --> 00:50:06.510

Lucy Fuentes: yeah it was a bit, but but.

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00:50:08.430 --> 00:50:16.200

Lucy Fuentes: But we got through it, I mean we're all you know we're all still missing reading and remembering but.

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00:50:17.220 --> 00:50:17.790

Lucy Fuentes: We met.

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00:50:18.990 --> 00:50:33.780

Lucy Fuentes: So yeah is it good I would not say he died from babies, but he died from the long term degenerate effects and diabetes between there yeah the most the heart was sort of under control and then he had.

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00:50:34.950 --> 00:50:48.030

Lucy Fuentes: other kinds of pains in his abdomen and they they said that the gallbladder look like it was something so they removed his gallbladder and then they removed Oh, the last one was.

00:50:48.870 --> 00:50:55.110

Lucy Fuentes: Apparently, a part of his intestines had collapsed and wasn't wasn't flowing through it.

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00:50:55.620 --> 00:51:07.050

Lucy Fuentes: And so they did they did surgery on his abdomen and removed a part of his phone a good part of the small intestine about a foot, or so I think I remember the doctor saying this was all before you know that's.

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00:51:08.670 --> 00:51:20.910

Lucy Fuentes: Those were all things that that were made, you know they say that the diabetes certainly contributes to that to those things but um the health issue then God, I had to library job and had good health insurance.

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00:51:22.950 --> 00:51:30.210

Lucy Fuentes: and also a job to go to so you have to stay home and focus on it forever or the family leave and all that stuff so so yeah.

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00:51:32.130 --> 00:51:33.630

camilo ruiz: How is your health nowadays.

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00:51:34.350 --> 00:51:46.920

Lucy Fuentes: it's okay i'm six foot six years cancer free I still take a medication, you have to decide whether I need to stay on or not I try to stay as healthy as I can, for the kids you know, trying to control my weight.

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00:51:48.600 --> 00:51:52.890

Lucy Fuentes: feeling my age now i'll be i'll be 77 on Saturday.

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00:51:54.150 --> 00:51:56.700

Lucy Fuentes: So he was 83 when he.

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00:51:59.220 --> 00:52:01.410

Lucy Fuentes: met my mom had breast cancer to same.

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00:52:02.490 --> 00:52:03.000

Lucy Fuentes: number.

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425
00:52:04.590 --> 00:52:05.550
camilo ruiz: Well i'm glad you're.
426
00:52:05.640 --> 00:52:07.350
camilo ruiz: Right yeah cancer free.
427
00:52:07.470 --> 00:52:08.790
Lucy Fuentes: i'm doing the best I can.
428
00:52:09.990 --> 00:52:10.260
camilo ruiz: So.
429
00:52:11.010 --> 00:52:27.180
Lucy Fuentes: busy trying to stay active, how do you do with a
pandemic, I was going to a gym because my health insurance so pay for
it, but then the pandemic it and I haven't gotten back to that I try
to get out and walk I can but I I tend to trip I don't know.
430
00:52:27.450 --> 00:52:43.140
Lucy Fuentes: mm hmm I have to focus on the kids kids the girls worry
about me, so I try to walk on smooth surfaces, because sometimes I
don't notice an uneven spot or step up or step down carefully and I
get distracted.
431
00:52:44.670 --> 00:52:49.740
camilo ruiz: And is there a chance to get back to the gym so you can
do your basis.
432
00:52:49.800 \longrightarrow 00:52:51.900
Lucy Fuentes: That probably is I don't think i'm.
433
00:52:53.730 --> 00:52:55.470
camilo ruiz: Because of the virus, or you.
434
00:52:55.950 --> 00:53:00.690
Lucy Fuentes: know just because you're not you know I haven't found
the habit, again, I was without the the.
435
00:53:01.860 --> 00:53:06.240
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Lucy Fuentes: The commitment for so long to get committed and to get
into.
436
00:53:08.040 --> 00:53:10.050
Lucy Fuentes: You know, to put it in my schedule.
437
00:53:11.250 --> 00:53:13.410
Lucy Fuentes: Maybe i'll get to it, who knows winter's coming now.
438
00:53:15.300 --> 00:53:15.720
camilo ruiz: Yes.
439
00:53:18.030 --> 00:53:19.110
camilo ruiz: I Lucy.
440
00:53:19.410 --> 00:53:21.360
Lucy Fuentes: I know also.
441
00:53:21.690 --> 00:53:22.290
course.
442
00:53:23.610 --> 00:53:31.050
camilo ruiz: Oh, you know well, I want to thank you for for your
generosity and your openness with this interview.
443
00:53:32.490 --> 00:53:41.610
camilo ruiz: I think out caught some parts that I think are pre
intimate that should not go into the public stuff.
444
00:53:47.850 --> 00:53:48.030
camilo ruiz: Oh.
445
00:53:48.450 --> 00:53:49.770
Lucy Fuentes: yeah and what.
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00:53:50.820 --> 00:53:53.100
Lucy Fuentes: I, what is your future plan with all this.
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00:53:54.030 --> 00:53:58.980
camilo ruiz: So the idea I don't know if you know logan's here man.
448
00:54:00.480 --> 00:54:02.670
Lucy Fuentes: He was in America tell you that story.
00:54:03.180 --> 00:54:14.220
Lucy Fuentes: No, I was just a volunteer and about at some point, this
lady Nancy Pappas, from the CRT called me and said that this was the
50th anniversary.
450
00:54:14.280 --> 00:54:18.180
camilo ruiz: i'm sorry not mentioned this theoreticians the beginning
barrier noise here at.
451
00:54:18.480 --> 00:54:20.190
Lucy Fuentes: The Community renewal team of hartford.
452
00:54:21.660 --> 00:54:28.530
Lucy Fuentes: Community action organization anti poverty agency that
was set up, that I was assigned to, and while is assigned to.
453
00:54:28.920 --> 00:54:29.880
Lucy Fuentes: map day.
454
00:54:30.150 --> 00:54:30.510
and
455
00:54:31.980 \longrightarrow 00:54:46.650
Lucy Fuentes: So Nancy Pappas, was still working for CRT and she said
it was the 15th anniversary they had somebody there from the Federal
Government to celebrate the 50 Denver this the became the American
America or something right.
456
00:54:46.890 --> 00:54:47.310
camilo ruiz: mm hmm.
457
00:54:47.400 --> 00:54:55.290
Lucy Fuentes: And then, so I wouldn't talk to the head guy about it
and Logan was there because Logan was a recent.
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458
00:54:56.340 --> 00:55:13.470
Lucy Fuentes: America or whatever they call them America yeah formerly
known as vista so Logan and I connected, he asked me so we we met
outside like had coffee and talked about what he was where he was
going what he was doing and I told them, where I was and what i'm
doing and then.
459
00:55:14.790 --> 00:55:20.190
Lucy Fuentes: I my Church is a part of the organization it's been fun
it's called greater hartford interfaith action lance.
460
00:55:20.580 --> 00:55:35.340
Lucy Fuentes: And Logan at that time was involved with Center church
doing some kind of outreach Community work, so he was part of ghia and
I was part of the year, and now he's with signer which I know and I
bought a house two blocks away from me.
461
00:55:36.540 --> 00:55:38.760
camilo ruiz: His neighbor because he lives in the blue hills.
462
00:55:38.790 --> 00:55:39.930
camilo ruiz: yeah yeah.
463
00:55:40.200 --> 00:55:42.030
Lucy Fuentes: He was on burlington I live on hey Brian.
464
00:55:42.270 --> 00:55:43.230
camilo ruiz: And that's Nice.
465
00:55:43.410 --> 00:55:45.660
Lucy Fuentes: We haven't gotten together house wise.
466
00:55:46.890 \longrightarrow 00:55:50.640
Lucy Fuentes: yeah so yeah I know Logan from before and from this
event as well.
467
00:55:50.730 --> 00:56:08.340
camilo ruiz: So yeah Logan has a proposed Trinity College to create a
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script for a walking tour APP that's going to allow people from for

colo and whoever has the APP to navigate the neighborhood.

00:56:09.690 --> 00:56:26.280 camilo ruiz: and knowing or listening to oral history of the neighborhood so so yeah these will be come that eventually i'm not an expert in Apps or technology of that or we're just building the script. 469 00:56:28.590 --> 00:56:31.290 camilo ruiz: And the archives. 470 00:56:32.370 --> 00:56:36.330 camilo ruiz: will be given to. 471 00:56:37.650 --> 00:56:52.740 camilo ruiz: The heart for histories and kind of like all that we are collecting the raw data will be will leave there and then, whatever the people that are designing or will design the APP and it will take some. 472 00:56:53.010 --> 00:57:12.120 camilo ruiz: Parts yeah that they think they need, but the way we're creating it is we're creating for kind of like history lines of for colo so one is about the heroes, the other one is about places of for colo the other one is about public art in for colo. 473 00:57:13.260 --> 00:57:17.730 camilo ruiz: And a the other one is. 474 $00:57:18.780 \longrightarrow 00:57:21.360$ camilo ruiz: just escaped it will come back to me and. 475 00:57:25.980 --> 00:57:37.860 camilo ruiz: gave know the Puerto Rican heritage trail was supposed to be one, but now is part of voices of color so it's like we're going to keep that in this one for now. 476

00:57:40.140 --> 00:57:42.480

camilo ruiz: So those are yeah, for we came three again.

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00:57:43.500 --> 00:57:43.650
yeah.
478
00:57:45.150 --> 00:57:50.430
camilo ruiz: yeah it's I mean there is much more to say, but I
similarly half a Semester to.
479
00:57:51.570 --> 00:58:06.660
camilo ruiz: Work on this project so MIA but, but it has been amazing
it has been one of the most of the people projects i've worked lately
and it's pretty cool to see how the for colo communities sold together
right.
480
00:58:07.860 --> 00:58:12.090
camilo ruiz: You just mentioned a bunch of names that Now I know
because of this project now.
481
00:58:14.250 --> 00:58:14.580
camilo ruiz: yeah.
482
00:58:14.850 --> 00:58:23.310
Lucy Fuentes: yeah that's um it's interesting history yeah the fact
that so many immigrant groups have come through.
483
00:58:23.730 --> 00:58:26.940
Lucy Fuentes: mm hmm kala but not so many have stayed.
484
00:58:29.460 --> 00:58:37.950
Lucy Fuentes: There are still so I ran into a lady, we know from the
library and was you know they're back raising her kids so that there's
still folks and sav.
485
00:58:39.120 --> 00:58:44.010
camilo ruiz: yeah it seems I don't know, from what I get there are
some generations of.
486
00:58:45.030 --> 00:58:46.650
camilo ruiz: people that have stayed here know.
487
00:58:47.760 --> 00:58:51.870
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Lucy Fuentes: A lot about the generations, maybe have on the Puerto Rican community. 488 00:58:52.200 --> 00:59:01.260 Lucy Fuentes: yeah the remnant there's still a remnant of the NGO community I think those their children may have built out, but the the adults and stayed. 489 00:59:03.060 --> 00:59:12.450 camilo ruiz: yeah I was talking with leticia cotto meant you were saying about the new make indigenous Central American people that are arriving in. 490 00:59:14.010 --> 00:59:15.510 camilo ruiz: we're going to try to. 491 00:59:15.720 --> 00:59:18.960 camilo ruiz: Do a session or an interview with them. 492 00:59:19.320 --> 00:59:21.630 Lucy Fuentes: wow that's going to be interesting. 493 00:59:21.810 --> 00:59:24.210 camilo ruiz: yeah yeah because it's like a the newest. 494 00:59:25.470 --> 00:59:28.050 camilo ruiz: group of immigrants arriving in for color right. 495 $00:59:28.500 \longrightarrow 00:59:34.380$ Lucy Fuentes: And, and I imagine that hopefully they'll be treated with greater sensitivity or. 496 00:59:34.380 --> 00:59:35.880 camilo ruiz: Understanding hope so yeah.

Lucy Fuentes: and others that he was talking a little bit about that

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to me to or.

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00:59:35.970 --> 00:59:40.140

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00:59:41.400 --> 00:59:50.400
Lucy Fuentes: Or maybe someone else around her the fact that one might
assume that they speak Spanish, but often is their native yeah some of
them speak several.
499
00:59:50.400 --> 00:59:51.150
Languages.
500
00:59:52.230 --> 00:59:54.930
Lucy Fuentes: And how we how we find people who can.
501
00:59:56.400 --> 00:59:58.170
Lucy Fuentes: communicate with them it's going to be.
502
00:59:58.770 --> 01:00:05.010
camilo ruiz: it's going to be challenging but it also could be an
opportunity for all these like indigenous languages to thrive again
right.
503
01:00:06.000 \longrightarrow 01:00:08.490
camilo ruiz: The languages are often dying.
504
01:00:08.940 --> 01:00:10.830
camilo ruiz: In places like.
505
01:00:11.040 --> 01:00:16.020
camilo ruiz: I don't know i'm from Colombian is like crazy how many
indigenous languages by a year right.
506
01:00:17.850 --> 01:00:18.390
camilo ruiz: So.
507
01:00:18.810 --> 01:00:25.950
camilo ruiz: yeah yeah be great to learn some of those languages
to be able to work with this Community yeah.
508
01:00:28.050 --> 01:00:29.190
Lucy Fuentes: Maybe Google can do it.
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01:00:29.940 --> 01:00:31.170
camilo ruiz: I hope.
510
01:00:33.450 --> 01:00:35.070
camilo ruiz: I will put more hoping human.
511
01:00:37.110 --> 01:00:42.420
Lucy Fuentes: I said I saw an APP about that no I saw some kind of a
blurb about a phone that you could.
512
01:00:43.440 --> 01:00:46.380
Lucy Fuentes: If you speak your language is phone phone will translate
it and.
513
01:00:46.440 --> 01:00:47.640
camilo ruiz: yeah if.
514
01:00:47.730 --> 01:00:48.450
Lucy Fuentes: Somebody else.
515
01:00:48.540 --> 01:00:52.140
camilo ruiz: Any phone nowadays can more or less do it is crazy.
516
01:00:52.830 --> 01:00:55.170
camilo ruiz: so badly very choppy but.
517
01:00:55.590 --> 01:00:57.570
camilo ruiz: it's also kind of weird but.
518
01:00:57.600 --> 01:00:58.650
camilo ruiz: yeah it's useful.
519
01:00:58.710 --> 01:01:03.000
Lucy Fuentes: To purposes communication so that helps people
communicate that's a good thing.
520
01:01:04.050 --> 01:01:05.220
Lucy Fuentes: Suppose yeah.
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521
01:01:07.230 --> 01:01:08.100
camilo ruiz: Well Lucy.
522
01:01:08.220 --> 01:01:10.440
camilo ruiz: Okay, I think I have to get home.
523
01:01:11.160 --> 01:01:16.860
Lucy Fuentes: Okay i'll be playing semester this year just doing this
is class Where are you getting paid.
524
01:01:17.670 --> 01:01:19.140
camilo ruiz: On know i'm getting paid.
525
01:01:19.410 --> 01:01:22.470
camilo ruiz: I am teaching two classes now and i'll see.
526
01:01:22.680 --> 01:01:25.950
camilo ruiz: You in our class a short class in January and then that's
it.
527
01:01:26.370 --> 01:01:28.710
Lucy Fuentes: And you live in Massachusetts or something right.
528
01:01:29.190 --> 01:01:29.700
Lucy Fuentes: No.
529
01:01:29.790 --> 01:01:33.930
camilo ruiz: No, no, no, I live here now, I used to live in
Pittsburgh.
530
01:01:34.500 --> 01:01:40.200
camilo ruiz: Now I moved here for a short term and i'm looking for
jobs.
531
01:01:41.700 --> 01:01:46.200
camilo ruiz: So, tomorrow I have actually an interview at the
University of Connecticut so.
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01:01:47.550 --> 01:01:52.230
camilo ruiz: So yeah I have to go home to prepare that that interview
um but yeah.
533
01:01:52.530 --> 01:01:53.250
0kay.
534
01:01:54.660 --> 01:01:55.650
camilo ruiz: Thank you for.
535
01:01:55.740 --> 01:01:56.430
camilo ruiz: Talking or.
536
01:01:57.180 --> 01:02:00.870
camilo ruiz: For being generous and open I I learned a lot.
537
01:02:01.320 --> 01:02:02.490
Lucy Fuentes: Okay yeah.
538
01:02:03.420 --> 01:02:05.640
camilo ruiz: and hope to see you around a.
539
01:02:06.390 --> 01:02:16.080
camilo ruiz: Do on a their 15th of December we're going to present the
project here at mean Constitution Plaza if you want to join.
540
01:02:18.840 --> 01:02:22.020
Lucy Fuentes: So there'll be an opportunity to see what the final
result.
541
01:02:22.080 --> 01:02:22.950
camilo ruiz: is going yeah.
542
01:02:23.070 --> 01:02:32.280
camilo ruiz: yeah not the APP but the script and then and then we'll
present that also on December 13 at the park street library.
543
01:02:33.090 --> 01:02:34.080
Lucy Fuentes: December 13.
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544
01:02:34.350 --> 01:02:35.370
camilo ruiz: yeah that's someone day.
545
01:02:37.200 --> 01:02:41.940
camilo ruiz: We are, but I don't want the students to escape because,
after the 15th they will like disappear.
546
01:02:43.500 --> 01:02:49.440
Lucy Fuentes: Okay i'm tired i'm home, so I don't think I have
anything said December 13 to see.
547
01:02:52.470 --> 01:02:55.560
camilo ruiz: I have your email i'll send you an email once we have
flyers and.
548
01:02:56.010 --> 01:02:57.600
camilo ruiz: Okay okay.
549
01:02:57.630 --> 01:02:59.370
Lucy Fuentes: yep alright, then.
550
01:03:00.270 --> 01:03:03.030
camilo ruiz: When has no choice crashes sports por por todo.
551
01:03:03.570 --> 01:03:04.170
Another.
552
01:03:05.370 --> 01:03:07.980
camilo ruiz: Environment aqueous CHA CHA.
553
01:03:10.320 --> 01:03:10.680
yep.
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