Welcome to Union Market and thank you for joining us! We’re hoping this will be a gathering like no other. We’re operating under the principle that everyone is a speaker. There will be ample time for everyone to contribute. This is more like a congress than a conference—a place where representatives of a broad movement come together to chart a better future.

The purpose of this gathering is simple. There is a crisis of connection in this country, a crisis of solidarity. Yet weavers are building relationship and binding communities on the local level every day. How do we work together so that our work is mutually reinforcing? How do we illuminate this work for others and nationalize our effect? How do we take disparate local efforts and join it into a broader movement that will produce sweeping change?

The first day will be about our values. How do we name the principles and ideals that motivate us? The second day will be about our work. What challenges do we face and how can we help each other address them? The third day will be about our future. How do we build this into a collective effort that will be more than the sum of its parts?

A civil rights movement rose up to help fight segregation. A feminist movement rose up to fight gender inequality. We have a crisis of disconnection and division in this country. We don’t treat each other well. How do we create a movement that builds relationship and community, and weaves the fabric of society? Over the next few days, let’s figure out how. This could be the start of something big.

Love,

David Brooks
Executive Director, Weave: The Social Fabric Project
About Union Market

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Throughout #WeaveThePeople, you’ll receive meal passes to buy your breakfast and lunches from these local eateries.

Come hungry. Plan ahead.
https://unionmarketdc.com/market/

Glossary of Spaces

We want to make this experience as inviting and adaptive as possible, so we’ve created a few different spaces for us to think, dream, and connect in over the next few days.

- **Big Circle**
  This is where we’ll gather as a group to listen and have moderated conversations.

- **Small Circles**
  This is the dedicated space for our group workshops and activities.

- **Coffee House**
  The perfect place to grab a cup of coffee or tea, relax, or get some work done.

- **Farmer’s Market**
  Stop by for some fresh local produce, available to you throughout the gathering.

- **Quiet Space**
  Need a breather? We get it. Make sure to take some time to relax and reflect.

Building Our Community

We’ll be engaging in meaningful dialogue over the next few days. Here are some community guidelines to help make our time together as generative as possible.

Have an additional norm you’d like to propose? Add it to the wall when you arrive on-site.

- **Engage in conversations.**
  We interact with one another in moderated dialogue, not a series of monologues.

- **Listen with kindness and curiosity.**
  We assume good intentions and seek out understanding. We choose response over reaction.

- **Speak from our hearts and minds.**
  We draw on our own personal experiences and make room for others. We seek intimate bonds.

- **Growth is uncomfortable.**
  We accept discomfort as a pathway to understanding. We believe that reasonable people can disagree.

- **Embrace our brokenness.**
  We’re here to support one another, not to save one another.

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### Day 1: Tuesday, May 14

#### Registration & Open Lunch
12:00pm - 2:00pm
Check-in and enjoy lunch on us from some tasty local hot-spots. Come back for lunch conversations. You'll receive a Weaver lapel pin upon arrival. Wear it to lunch so others can identify you!

#### Big Circle: Intimate, moderated discussions with the full group kicked off by a few people.
2:00pm - 3:35pm

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#### Small Circle: Honoring Our Communities. Honoring Our Values.
4:00pm - 4:30pm
What motivates your ego, heart and soul?

#### Break at the Farmer’s Market
4:30pm - 5:00pm

#### Big Circle: Intimate, moderated discussions with the full group kicked off by a few people.
5:00pm - 7:00pm

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#### Block Party
7:30pm - 10:00pm
Boogie to live music by Erin & the Wildfire and enjoy some local food trucks! Special performance by Chicago’s own FM Supreme

Optional Late Night
The Pub & The People
1648 North Capitol St NW

Please add #WeaveThePeople for meeting posts. Weave will follow and repost from your social accounts.
DAY 2: WEDNESDAY, MAY 15

FROM “ME” TO “WE”

7:15am - 8:00am  
**Morning Options**  
• Free Group Yoga by VIDA Fitness: No sign up required. Come to Union Market Dock 5.  
• Open Breakfast: Grab food on us from one of the local merchants. (Market hours)

9:00am - 10:30am  
**Big Circle:** Intimate, moderated discussions with the full group kicked off by a few people.

- **The Science of Relationships**  
Martha Welch

- **How to Create Intimate Conversations**  
Shawn Barney, Pamela Cantor, Adria Goodson, Agnes McKeen

- **Bridging Friendships - How to Talk Across Difference**  
Jennifer Bailey, Jonathan Haidt, Nike Irvin, Eboo Patel

10:35am - 11:05am  
**Small Circle: The Art of Making Connections**  
How are you creating spaces, tools, resources and opportunities to create meaningful relationships?

11:05am - 11:35am  
**Break at the Farmer’s Market**

11:35am - 1:00pm  
**Big Circle:** Intimate, moderated discussions with the full group kicked off by a few people.

- **How To Tell a Compelling Story**  
David Bornstein, Michael Cooper, Monica Guzman, Nick Kristof

- **How to Move from Trauma to Trust**  
Amanda Lindamood, Jacqueline Novogratz, Charles Perry, Dylan Tete

1:00pm - 2:30pm  
**Grab Lunch at Union Market**  
Buy lunch on us from some tasty local hot-spots.

2:30pm - 3:00pm  
**Small Circle: Mobilizing the Whole Community**  
How do you bring your community together? What challenges do you face?

3:10pm - 5:10pm  
**Big Circle:** Intimate, moderated discussions with the full group kicked off by a few people.

- **The Neighborhood is the Unit of Change**  
Asiah Butler, Katie Couric, Scott Heiferman, Mack McCarter, Janet Topolsky

- **How to Rebuild Civic Bonds**  
Eric Liu

- **Practicing Self Care for People in Selfless Roles**  
Dan Claire, Sarah Hemminger, Sister Jenna, Kaveh Sadeghian

5:10pm - 5:45pm  
**Break at the Farmer’s Market**

7:00pm  
**A Night at the National Archives**  
A strolling reception through American history with food, drink and private tours.  
Opening remarks by Eric Motley.  
Special performance by the St. Augustine Gospel Choir of Washington DC.

**Buses will depart for dinner from Union Market at 6:45pm.**
DAY 3: THURSDAY, MAY 16

HOW MIGHT WE... #WEAVETHEPEOPLE

6:30am

Morning Options

• Run/Walk on The National Mall with VIDA Fitness: Bus will depart from Union Market at 6:30am and bring runners/walkers to the U.S. Supreme Court. Buses will return from the same location at 7:45am.

• Open Breakfast: Grab food on us from one of the local merchants. (Market hours)

8:00am

9:00am - 9:55am

Big Circle: Intimate, moderated discussions with the full group kicked off by a few people.

Changing Culture, Changing Norms - What Culture Change Looks Like
David Brooks, Ernest Clover, Alejandro Gibe de Gac, Stephenie Hruzek, Anne Snyder

How Might We... Build the Weaver Movement
Lisa Kay Solomon, Kaveh Sadeghian

After crowd sourcing topics and themes during Day 1 and 2, participants will join workshops to design approaches to our “How Might We...” statement to amplify the Weaver movement nationally and locally.

10:05am - 10:45am

Sprint 1 - “The Why” - Why Is The Issue Important?
Paired discussions and then table debrief.

10:45am - 11:15am

Sprint 2 - “The What” - Envisioning a Better Future
Table brainstorm to generate ideas around the How Might We... statements.

11:15am - 11:35am

Sprint 3 - “The How” - How Might We Take Action
Table develops action plans for each person, their community, and how their work maps to growing the Weaver movement.

11:35am - 12:00pm

Boxed Lunches from Union Market

12:00pm - 12:35pm

Working Lunch - Sprint 4 - “The How” - Share Your How Might We Brainstorm
Have lunch in groups of 3-6 people from the same How Might We cluster who you were not with in Sprints 1-3.

12:40pm - 1:00pm

Sprint 5 - “The How” - Refine Your How Might We Action Plans
Each person reflects on how they might leverage and contribute to the Weave movement and share 1) What Weave should do next and 2) I will weave by....

1:05pm - 1:45pm

Big Circle: Intimate, moderated discussions with the full group kicked off by a few people.

How Might We... #WeaveThePeople
David Brooks, Tommy Loper

Closing Remarks by David Brooks

1:45pm

Departures
Buses to Reagan National Airport (DCA) will depart at 2:00pm & 3:00pm. We estimate this will have people arrive around 2:45pm and 3:45pm respectively. This shuttle does not go to Dulles Airport (IAD).