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Evan Taylor: Hey, we're just getting a little bit of feedback over the phone. So now,

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00:00:09.750 --> 00:00:10.500 Yvonne Cook-Riley: I

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: I have it. Now let's shift the video we work on this and

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00:00:19.500 --> 00:00:20.400 That would be great.

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00:00:38.040 --> 00:00:39.840 Yvonne Cook-Riley: Direct your camera please

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Please check your advice and try again. Okay, we're gonna have to go with audio.

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Evan Taylor: Yeah, let's just let's go to the audience. At least we know that that ones we've got working recording

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Yeah, I could put all my bad pictures away.

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Evan Taylor: Well, be a screenshot of those later. We can slice them in, that'd be great.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: You know, I mean,

11 00:01:07.110 --> 00:01:07.860 Just as well.

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Evan Taylor: And what did it say about the video.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Did not

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Detect

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00:01:22.230 --> 00:01:26.310

Yvonne Cook-Riley: My camera cannot detect your camera please

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Try again.

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Okay.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: I don't know, maybe I might

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Because of high security reasons of this background, what's in the background here.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Just

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Let me look at my

00:02:14.190 --> 00:02:16.560

Yvonne Cook-Riley: I'm trying to look at my settings here to see if

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: I can't find it. So let's, let's just kind of move on with this thing.

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Evan Taylor: So I've got your, um, let me see what I've got this. I've got your

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00:02:36.570 --> 00:02:38.130

Evan Taylor: Your consent forms here.

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00:02:39.900 --> 00:02:42.930

Yvonne Cook-Riley: While I've made it work. True. I've had a couple

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Evan Taylor: You didn't. You didn't. Although the PDF one didn't have any actual didn't have any marks on it. But the word person did so it can. That one came through just fine.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Okay.

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Evan Taylor: And let me get out of here. So the one thing that wasn't on there was the initial rounds the copyright and the Creative Commons.

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Evan Taylor: So,

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Just put my initials erewash er.

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Evan Taylor: Yeah. And that was just the one section I couldn't see that. So let me just confirm with you right now saying you don't have to do it again. So were you going to be transferring the copyright or retaining it

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Okay, whatever you'd like to do it, sure, sure, sure.

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00:03:26.460 --> 00:03:37.230

Evan Taylor: Well, we don't want either. Either way, the one most important thing we need to know is this. Are you comfortable using that the interviews use for commercial research and non commercial or just noncommercial

# 35 00:03:38.550 --> 00:03:41.160 Yvonne Cook-Riley: You can do both. Okay, so

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00:03:41.220 --> 00:03:44.250

Yvonne Cook-Riley: If you're comfortable if you can make some money from it.

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00:03:45.270 --> 00:03:46.020 Yvonne Cook-Riley: Going forward,

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00:03:47.340 --> 00:03:47.640 Yvonne Cook-Riley: Well,

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Somebody else will.

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00:03:50.850 --> 00:03:51.330

Evan Taylor: Okay, so

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00:03:52.380 --> 00:03:54.240 Evan Taylor: If that's okay with you, then I will 00:03:54.480 --> 00:04:01.860

Evan Taylor: Because I still need to fill it out and send it back to you with my own signature. So then I will mark off the piece that says that you're going with basically the

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00:04:02.010 --> 00:04:09.510

Evan Taylor: The highest amount of so you're transferring the rights and letting us use it or letting the archives. Use it into the future for whatever purposes they they would like to

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Besides that, by the time they get around us ahead. Oh, good, good.

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Evan Taylor: Well, I'd like to hope that we can use it before that and that you've got enough time for us to do that. But we'll, we'll see. But please do.

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00:04:24.810 --> 00:04:32.010

Evan Taylor: Okay, so I think that's about it. I will fill in the the bits that were for me and then I will send that back to you. So you have a copy, where we have both signed off on everything.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: That's fine. Evan.

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00:04:37.230 --> 00:04:53.430

Evan Taylor: Fabulous. Thank you kindly. So the beginning of things. Um, I'm just going to ask you a couple of sort of demographic questions. I know things that you have on like a statistics form or something and then we'll get into more the more the heart of the matter around the activism. History

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Okay.

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00:04:55.320 --> 00:04:59.910

Evan Taylor: And and then I'll end off the very end by asking some questions about your thoughts for the future and so forth.

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Evan Taylor: So let's go to the very beginning here.

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Evan Taylor: So the your current name and pronouns that you use.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Avon coke Riley.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: And the pronouns or anything that will work that gets my attention.

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Evan Taylor: Thank you very much. And how old are you, today on

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Evan Taylor: And where were you born

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Area, Indiana.

59 00:05:35.760 --> 00:05:36.930 Evan Taylor: And where do you live now.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Asheville, North Carolina.

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Evan Taylor: And how long have you lived in Nashville.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: 15 years. Okay.

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Evan Taylor: And are you employed to retire and I'm assuming you retired now.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: I'm employed.

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Evan Taylor: You weren't going and what's, what's your work.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: I am event management and part of an event management team or nonprofit. Cool. It's exciting. And I oversee I overseen the logistics of 12 major events in the city of Asheville year

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00:06:18.180 --> 00:06:18.780 Wow.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: I keep acting. I keep young people around me and nobody. Very few people

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Know how old I was until my last birthday.

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Evan Taylor: It was significant about that last birthday decided to tell everybody.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Well, the fact is that I made it.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: I had a heart attack in October.

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Evan Taylor: Oh, I see. And when's your birthday.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: When's your birthday November 18

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Evan Taylor: Okay, so it was just after like literally the birthday was just after the heart attack them.

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00:06:53.760 --> 00:06:55.560

Evan Taylor: Yeah. Wow.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Yeah.

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00:06:57.570 --> 00:07:02.910

Evan Taylor: Okay, I can see I can see why you wanted to decide, OK, that's it. I'm telling people now I made it makes sense.

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00:07:05.580 --> 00:07:09.180

Evan Taylor: Um, what's your, your, your occupational or educational background.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Oh my god, it's always been

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Marketing kind of thing. It

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Came back in the in the 60s. I went into marketing for Fortune 500 company and I

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: got involved in trade show work and so event management kind of goes along with trade show work you come in, you put it up, take it down and

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Just plan, you know, just execute that I also in that same genre, because I was very much involved.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: In that before transition right I bought that skill board and conferences and meetings and things like this. So I had a good handle on how meetings are set up how to negotiate with hotels, how to run a balance sheet, how to look at the cost revenue.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: And those kind of basic things. I'm still involved with today.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: It's looking at return. Everything's based on return on investment. Mm hmm and marketing.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: So,

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Evan Taylor: Yes, engaging larger groups of people.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: I yes and what we're talking about is a form of marketing. Mm hmm.

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Evan Taylor: Definitely

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: So when you stop telling your story. When you start marketing. The story doesn't continue and it's it's what you asked me for as we started this thing is looking back at a time.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: That we don't have or did not have the tools that are so available to us today through the web and you were looking at a time when it relied on certain aspects of the community that sometimes we don't talk about

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Now can I expound on that one. Now,

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Please do. Okay.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: In in the community because of the fetishistic nature of cross dressing. Mm hmm. Especially for the male to female

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Back in the 40s, 50s, 60s, 70s.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: It was a very private kind of thing. It wasn't like

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: A

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: gay or lesbian thing because in order to be gay or lesbian, you had to be engaged with a partner, right, being a lesbian alone is nothing more than being a transgender person alone, you're going to masturbate.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: So, and that along with the clothing or the look and the feel of the masculine side masturbating is what is going to give you the the satisfaction to completion. The erotica. Whatever the case may be. So you you look

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Or some form of erotica that

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: would stimulate that boundary between the masculine and the feminine, but back in those days, we didn't talk like that because we didn't have that language.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: To be able to say that this is a masculine. This is a feminine and we were fighting a highly structured binary system.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Am I going so far. Great.

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Evan Taylor: I'm wondering

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Evan Taylor: You know, these are these publications. They can you think of a specific ones.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: I'm sorry.

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Evan Taylor: Do you think of any specific ones that these sort of erotica publications that people are looking to back then.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Well, there was four or five drag magazines.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Okay.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Leave Brewster was a publisher out of New York City, who had a clothing.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: fetish store and was basically a drag drag queen warehouse.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Everything you need to be a drag queen. Now, we didn't have drag kings.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Prominently back in those days when they were there, but they were the least heard of because they didn't need

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: The, the certain things in order to identify in their masculine gender right they could go down and buy a boys pants and boy shirt and we're at time cut their hair and

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: IT'S DONE ONLINE you today who are now because of good chemical and health issues are and good surgery are able to present in public and nobody will possibly know that you at one time was female. Now you take a guy who is

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: 6162 where's the size 14 shoe and even and putting them in heels.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: And you put that particular person in public, it becomes a read or I don't know what is some of the terminology clocking you and things clocking was a century. That was one of those

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Code words that was back in back in the 60s and 70s and 80s. So you would go down the street. Looking for something that was

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: You know, like you had gay are what we had trans art back then.

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Right.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: For for me when I was trying to find anything. The only real source that I found was in the adult bookstore.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: And through the adult bookstore.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: You would stumble on an article and a lot of these drag magazines about a

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Function or a party or convention or something like this. So you are very closely linked to the gay community, but yet you

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Lot of the people were very uncomfortable and participating in the the gay activities of

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Who is going to

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Double up or partner with you.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: For jack elation or or sex or something like this.

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00:14:49.830 --> 00:14:50.370 Yvonne Cook-Riley: So,

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Later, as I got more into trying to help people.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Know it's too early to get to that subject. Let me

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Stay

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Stay back

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00:15:05.250 --> 00:15:07.260

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Stay back in the 60s and 70s.

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Evan Taylor: Yeah, I was gonna say before we get too far away from that I want to understand how you identify yourself and your gender and your gender expression and all that sort of stuff within that meal you back in that time when things were so crossed over and in so many ways.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Well do is no doubt about it. I was a fetishistic cross dresser.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: A and it actually came by accident in my own personal story because I started cross dressing. When I was four. Okay.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Then I know. And the reason why I know is that

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: The story that I tell is that I had an affiliation for play text girl I thought to play text girls in the tube and draw and and the department store was was my pornographic material.

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Evan Taylor: Right, you know,

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I really

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Saw that image on the tube and and that's that was what I wanted to be there.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: So my mother's having a coffee collection one morning and our new one and I came downstairs from this two story house that we lived in wearing nothing but a play takes curdle

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00:16:31.620 --> 00:16:31.890 Yvonne Cook-Riley: When you're

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Evan Taylor: Talking about four years old.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Four years old because I remember the beating that I got.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: From my father and everything that told me

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: That if I'm going to pursue that.

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00:16:52.740 --> 00:16:57.840

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Scratch edge, whatever you want to call it that it had to be done in secret.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Right. And he gave me the tools to learn how to hide.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: in plain sight.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Anything that would give me gratification from the feminine side right so

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: And as I go through and I research and talk to more people.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: It is kind of like on a continuum, as you have understood. You been through that people at different ages and different times would experiment with these different feelings. It's the same thing for the female to male that really came out of the bush die community.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: And a lot of the

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: People in the non gender or non binary movement came out of the drag community.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Or things like that. Right, right. So, so you

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: It's always been there.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: In history.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: If you look at social anthropology and you go back to the 3000s of yours.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: That non binary person.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Has always been in a kind of tribe or community.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: And we've been able to document that through different

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00:18:34.410 --> 00:18:35.160

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Things.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Williams and Minnesota university did a wonderful book.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: On

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Native American spirituality. Yeah, yeah. Can't wait. I can't read call the name of the book now.

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Evan Taylor: The Spirit and the flesh, as long as they

00:18:57.720 --> 00:19:00.810 Yvonne Cook-Riley: Yes, yes. Wonderful book.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: And

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: He's a gay man. Mm hmm.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: You know,

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: I met him in Minneapolis.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Back in the time when we were doing things. Okay, so we've established the communities existed. Now, how did that community handle it. So through these exotic wild times and

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Evan Taylor: Really, how did you first come in contact with it as well. I'm interested in that.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: And how did I come in contact with that.

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It was, yeah.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: I was in Chicago. We had plenty of adult bookstores.

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Evan Taylor: Gotcha. And did you

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Evan Taylor: See, you were reading these books. Did you ever contact. Anybody who was an author or another reader in any of these publications

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: There was no authors. It was magazines. There was erotic pictures, you know,

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: And and there was in Chicago. They were drag bars.

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You know,

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: You would go and that, but I was very, very much in the closet.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Through

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Through my adolescence and into my early adulthood.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: I never would pass up Halloween. I thought it was the International Day of cross dressing.

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00:20:27.900 --> 00:20:32.640

Yvonne Cook-Riley: To and Halloween always gave me a

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: check and balance, you know,

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Am I

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Am I, do I really need to be there, personally, or do I not be there. But let's let's keep it to the community so

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00:20:50.220 --> 00:20:58.950

Yvonne Cook-Riley: As these different things progressed, people start talking to one another and in the east coast.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: There was a group called the cherry.

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00:21:04.950 --> 00:21:05.670

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Cherry blah.

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00:21:07.230 --> 00:21:10.170

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Well, anyway, it was an s&m group. Okay.

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00:21:11.850 --> 00:21:12.390

Yvonne Cook-Riley: And

00:21:13.440 --> 00:21:17.820

Yvonne Cook-Riley: s&m is one of those activities. It's hard to do alone.

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Great.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: But there were people in the s&m group that were what we would call today serious cross dressers or serious fetishistic cross dressers into leather are or into to

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00:21:42.180 --> 00:21:55.800

Yvonne Cook-Riley: The thing is, now if you look at some of the costuming and you find that a lot of the people that were involved in this community were also involved in theatre.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: They were also involved in

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Different

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Forms of

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00:22:10.590 --> 00:22:11.430

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Entertainment.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: As, as a group, and if you dig down through there.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: And if you look at it.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: In what history has documented, you will find the transgender person is a person that prevailed.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: In the, in the last three or 400 years in some form of entertainment.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: The

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00:22:43.380 --> 00:22:44.460

Yvonne Cook-Riley: The the

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: The balls, the mask balls. See how the

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: carnivals things I did.

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00:23:00.960 --> 00:23:03.750

Yvonne Cook-Riley: And this is where these connections were making and

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00:23:05.490 --> 00:23:10.170

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Then a big group came out of carnival.

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00:23:14.880 --> 00:23:27.870

Yvonne Cook-Riley: New Orleans for Mardi Gras Mardi Gras really was a drawing point for the start of the transgender community to communicate with one another.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: In that particular group in the East Coast. Awesome. Also on the West Coast, there were different groups that were taking it a step further and having retreats.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: And the time there was a major retreat called plantation fair on Cape Cod.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: on Cape Cod. There was a dream up in the state of Washington that was going on in the 70s AND INTO THE 80s and then wham all HIV and AIDS came and and really shocked.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: The, the whole kind of behavior and it changed within a year.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: From the party.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: I don't care who and what you are, how you are. I just want to have an orgasm and then move on, or I just need to be touched, or

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00:24:40.890 --> 00:24:42.330

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Anything to stimulate

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00:24:45.330 --> 00:24:50.370

Yvonne Cook-Riley: My erotic aside and give me the gratification that I'm looking for.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Toronto just launch missiles status, by the way.

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00:24:59.940 --> 00:25:00.690

Oh, yes.

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00:25:01.920 --> 00:25:09.090

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Now I get to speak. I get news feeds here anyway that that doesn't have to be part of this.

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Evan Taylor: I

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00:25:12.990 --> 00:25:14.850

Evan Taylor: Say notification from CDC actually

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Alright, so

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Now, we now we're looking at that particular level of communication and it wasn't really starting to get over into the

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Non

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00:25:38.910 --> 00:25:57.420

Yvonne Cook-Riley: gay person until 1960 when Virginia Prince started publishing her little magazine and started communicating with people who, through one word of mouth or something would find a way to link to the try as

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Groups.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: And that structure.

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00:26:05.430 --> 00:26:06.720

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Was very conservative

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Matter of fact, they were more conservative Baptist and the day they

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: And they call them the heel and hoes society.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Virginia Princeton, and I were great friends at arguing and and fighting

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Because she was alter alter conservative in the movement and I was altar hopper liberal

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: I was willing to to see the value of everything, and she

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Had an add to that.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: It's a we. It's not a weird situation is feminists and when Christine georgeson came back from Denmark and presented the concept and the idea that males can

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: modify and change their body.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: To adapt to

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00:27:24.210 --> 00:27:25.560

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Our ability to

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00:27:26.610 --> 00:27:31.770

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Receive central contact from the front to the back.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: That opened up a whole

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: new concept. By the way, Christian Georgia said was not the first person who is considered transsexual

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00:27:43.830 --> 00:27:46.260

Yvonne Cook-Riley: It was several others before her.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: But she was the first person to brag about it right the first

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Evan Taylor: public figure in that way.

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00:27:53.280 --> 00:27:54.210

Yvonne Cook-Riley: The public figure

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: And again, she was out of Hollywood and things like this and looking for that kind of attention.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: bless her heart. She died of brain cancer.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Back at 6162 or no.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: 9192

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: And my fondest memory in Chicago. One day she was our guest at one of our conventions and her. Hi, my spouse said for three hours and had breakfast one morning

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Just

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Like you said, I missed the opportunity to having a tape recorder my hand and just listening to her stories and and things like this, but I was privileged to be in a position to where I got to meet a lot of the pioneers of what we consider pioneers.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: The

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: 50s and 60s and early 70s personally and hear their stories and we've just lost that story. But basically, it runs

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Pretty constantly through the stories of today we things that the big change is that we have a different way of telling the stories, but the stories basically are the same.

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Evan Taylor: And what did you talk about it this breakfast with Christine

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Her fear.

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00:29:36.840 --> 00:29:38.460

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Her her

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00:29:40.770 --> 00:29:44.550

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Not knowing what was going to happen a lot her body.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: And then how she wrote her book.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: And what was going to happen to her book when she died because she she was in stage four, no stage three cancer at the time that this was going on. So reality was that

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: She knew that she was on a short

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Short time right and when she spoke at the lunch in Chicago and

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: 1999 1989 or no 1990 she spoke at a lunch and Evan hurry.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: I want to say, Holly was there, but it's not Holly.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Evan was there at that conference, right.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: And she stood up at the speakers table and she took off her week

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: And

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: For us, that were in that room.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: It wasn't a try I knowing that what she was talking about was the reality of looking at her death.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: So yeah, just know moments come now to mind little things that happen, but we have been through so much of losing so many stories and so many people to HIV.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: It did not discriminate

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: It was

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00:31:36.300 --> 00:31:38.610

Yvonne Cook-Riley: A continuum of

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Change it was continual anger was continual of mission and so

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: As I moved along

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Not knowing exactly where I was going, what I was going to do. I came from a position of anger.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: It's already been archived, so we don't have to go into it.

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Evan Taylor: And

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Sorry, go ahead.

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Evan Taylor: Well, I was just, I was going to ask at that time when you're when you're thinking about this moment where HIV suddenly came into the picture. And there was a lot of stories that were lost. I'm wondering

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Evan Taylor: Particularly for for trans folks and cross dressers what was, what, you know, what was the impact on the community of that.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Well, the impact was it a drove the community back into the closet.

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Evan Taylor: Hmm, OK. OK.

00:32:42.870 --> 00:32:43.320 OK.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Because we're the gay community and the gay clubs were a place where you could go and express yourself and and maybe hook up, maybe not.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Became

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: A very dangerous place to play and

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00:33:17.430 --> 00:33:23.220

Yvonne Cook-Riley: We see the ramifications of how that particular kind of

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Behavior.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: really impacted the change in the whole LB GT kill new movement.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: And back then it was just

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: GL gay, lesbian movement. There was no other initials.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: That didn't happen until later on, and I was part of that too.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: I went to too many conferences.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Well, that's what I was paid to do

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: So,

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00:34:06.870 --> 00:34:10.860

Yvonne Cook-Riley: At that time we had to overcome.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: A

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00:34:17.700 --> 00:34:22.410

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Social, economic movement in the

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Community that basically was based around

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00:34:30.630 --> 00:34:33.090

Yvonne Cook-Riley: men wearing dresses.

312 00:34:36.420 --> 00:34:39.300 Yvonne Cook-Riley: So I got involved in

00:34:40.380 --> 00:34:42.360 Yvonne Cook-Riley: The early 80s.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Basically because of my anger.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Knowing that

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00:34:51.210 --> 00:34:55.440

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Whatever I said or did as one person.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: meant nothing

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00:34:58.920 --> 00:35:04.830

Yvonne Cook-Riley: It was just some some character in Indiana, that got fucked over by the

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Legal system and the psychiatric system. And so what

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: So I was searching

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Down and for some political way of

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: expressing my anger that yet trying to be

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Of service on the little event management company doing conventions and things like this. And I also was a marketing rep and things I did so I knew that without an organization or group that

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Voice one person's voice cannot be heard. But if you put those initials behind your voice or organizations behind your voice.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: People will take what you say.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: With some word of truth. Now you gotta remember that back in those days we had no concept or idea of the major question that media was asking.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: And that is how many are there um

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: You know,

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: So you would get as time or no answer that in a minute.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: So as I moved into the

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00:36:45.780 --> 00:36:47.460 Yvonne Cook-Riley: Early 80s and and

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Went through a divorce. It wasn't nice and things of this and

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: I said, Well, what's holding me back from

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: From that certain little things I did participate and join

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: A group in Chicago called trials and try chapter prize.

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00:37:14.790 --> 00:37:21.060

Yvonne Cook-Riley: It gave me an opportunity to meet and talk to other people.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: And then there was two groups in Chicago. There was the cross dresser group which were the conservative group.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: That followed the Virginia Prince guidelines and then there was another group.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: That

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Was

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: More into

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: As we would look at the spectrum. Back then the transsexual track that followed, George Sanders out of California who is publishing a magazine, a little magazine.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: About

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Transition and things like this and then started these different support groups that were mostly

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Moving from

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Some kind of social to the medical

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Side of the community. And basically, that kind of happened because of AIDS and using the medical community.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Doctors that would treat AIDS.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: would also help and and developing a pipeline of

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Different things are DSM came along.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: And

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: If you have looked at DSM one you would see it looks like

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: An eight page Bible compared to book that would kill you if we hit you today.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: And what happened.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: When they did DSM one. They include gays.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: And cross dressing or what day would be considered transvestite at the time. And that was the word that they were using

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: A mental

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00:39:32.430 --> 00:39:36.960

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Disorder was something that needed to be treated.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: It like conversion therapy.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Pre

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Pre gay conversion therapy but

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: We society in the United States, and most of the world because of Queen Victoria basically was a binary haha mode. I mean, there was no

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: If where there was no

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Day.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: There was, it was just either or, and you you fit into that binary behavior or you were excluded from society right and looking at

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: At that time,

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: How did that exclusion.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Become the catalyst

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: For survival of the transgender community of today if it wasn't for the fact that they did exclude us if it wasn't for the fact that they did.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: do harm to us if it wasn't for the fact that people were losing their livelihood their life and things like this for this behavior, it would not be the anger or the motivation in the community to stand up to it and say, hey, this is not right. So it was those early

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: pioneers of the concept of trying to control the binary

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: In the United States, and the rest of the world, there really wasn't looking at the world as a whole in other cultures they weren't willing to look at Africa they weren't willing to look at China or Japan.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Or South America or things like this where there was room for people who are not buying their did not exist to them because it was not something

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: That they were aware of, but in the

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: European culture and they

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Some of the other cultures that felt like they were moving away from the hunter and gathering and tribal culture.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: That there was this expectation that there was a burst of x. And that was it, and

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: So, and it wasn't until some experimentation that actually

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Came and that would acknowledge an intersex or a right

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Thing. They always existed intersects is something that has always been in every society and every animal and things. I just book. Yeah, we did. Listen, we weren't willing to let the, the scientist or the, the, our intellectual

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Body explore these things we

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Would not support it financially, so it didn't get touched it was a to boo. It was something that we didn't talk about me, especially after World War Two. We were just starting to deal with segregation

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: And moving away in the United States from slavery someone

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00:43:37.440 --> 00:43:38.250

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Someone so

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00:43:40.710 --> 00:43:44.610

Yvonne Cook-Riley: You know, am I making any sense to you have an absolutely um

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Evan Taylor: One thing I'm wondering about is what was the sort of the reaction, particularly, and again, we know like we know a lot about the for the LGBT, you know, kind of community reaction. Was there a community reaction from trans and cross dressing people

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: To what

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00:44:04.110 --> 00:44:14.310

Evan Taylor: And when when this when the DSM came out was that the that those first discussions about how these diversities basically were categorized into simplistic binaries.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Well, first of all,

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Let's look at the money.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Every social worker and therapist and conference psychiatry.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Had a ticket.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: This particular segment of our society is sick.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: And it is our job to cure them one way or another. Right. What was the sickness. Well, they want to protect they want to pretend that they're a guy.

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00:44:54.660 --> 00:44:57.330

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Or they want to pretend that they're a woman, they can't be

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: So how do we do with that is dead, of looking at is this phenomena giving anxiety.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Is it really the the the basis for depression.

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00:45:19.410 --> 00:45:24.660

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Is it, is it the socialization that this person is desiring

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00:45:26.160 --> 00:45:44.280

Yvonne Cook-Riley: That this is the basis for that socialization of masculine or feminine and they don't want to be either. Is that something that a person is comfortable with. Can we cure that is there a medication.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: How much is owed off. Can we sell or how much Prozac and we make available to these people that they become some BS right and they will conform.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: To what their body was born with. And we won't have to hear from them, or watch them.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Do anything right.

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Evan Taylor: So very much connecting the function of capitalism, with the population control that's necessary in order to create these binary categories that will then self regulate themselves as sick people who need to be fixed.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Absolutely, yes.

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And

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Today we don't acknowledge that, that how much harm.

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00:46:33.570 --> 00:46:56.430

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Was done to to a non binary person and it still is being harmed today at the same rate than it was 5060 in my case 30 years ago. Absolutely. And the battle is the same.

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Hmm.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Now, how you

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: bring this forward in social anthropology and tell the story that the person a couple hundred years from now, we'll look back upon and as we have made great

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00:47:19.020 --> 00:47:34.770

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Movements forward for each two steps forward, we've had to take two or three steps back. So we know that that's going to happen and I sound like I'm lecturing right

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00:47:36.480 --> 00:47:38.430

Yvonne Cook-Riley: But young people.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Could care less about the struggle.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Young people when I want to know where am I

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: What's happening.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Mine today is today. But let's go back and look at that struggle and some of the things that happened in my lifetime, and how I personally was involved in that struggle.

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Evan Taylor: Perfect.

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00:48:10.020 --> 00:48:11.130

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Okay, in

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420 00:48:21.180 --> 00:48:22.320

Yvonne Cook-Riley: There was a

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Kind of a

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00:48:30.030 --> 00:48:35.220

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Meeting or event or party, whatever you want to call it in Chicago.

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00:48:36.870 --> 00:48:40.620

Yvonne Cook-Riley: That moved away from the Virginia Prince.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Okay, and wanted to bring together.

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00:48:47.400 --> 00:48:53.490

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Some of the leadership. Now, what would we consider a leadership person back in

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00:48:54.630 --> 00:48:55.440 Yvonne Cook-Riley: That time

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00:48:56.520 --> 00:48:58.530

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Number one most of the leadership.

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00:48:59.580 --> 00:49:03.300

Yvonne Cook-Riley: That we had back there were based around support groups.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: And that support group and the leader the support group.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Was the dictator.

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00:49:12.090 --> 00:49:16.590

Yvonne Cook-Riley: And this is my support group isn't my Virginia Prince.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: An example I can give personal examples of people right on down the line. What am I going to allow the support group to be is it going to include wives.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Or partners.

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00:49:37.830 --> 00:49:54.090

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Is going to include gay man gave females or lesbian females, you know, there was boundaries in all these support groups around the world. Now there was to me in 1987

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: There was something like

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00:49:59.340 --> 00:50:06.840

Yvonne Cook-Riley: 70 support groups in the world that we can quantify that we could identify

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Some did not want to be identified, but but taking away the Virginia Princess try his support groups.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: It was there.

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00:50:21.480 --> 00:50:24.030

Yvonne Cook-Riley: So this meeting in Chicago.

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00:50:25.650 --> 00:50:27.870 Yvonne Cook-Riley: Right together 91

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: People

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: I would say all but maybe three people were male to female was

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: From Canada.

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00:50:44.850 --> 00:50:45.720

Yvonne Cook-Riley: There was a poet.

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No.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: I'm sorry, my names are not as good as it used to be, Rupert. Raj. Yeah, yeah.

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00:50:56.430 --> 00:50:56.790 Yeah.

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00:50:57.810 --> 00:50:59.730

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Okay, and

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: And there was another one in Chicago. Those two females to males.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: That that came to this particular

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00:51:11.100 --> 00:51:13.650

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Conference or work party whatever in Chicago.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: But there were in this particular group.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: A representation from the west coast, the East Coast Virginia was not there.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Risa Cheryl Lynn was there.

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00:51:34.380 --> 00:51:34.830

Yvonne Cook-Riley: And

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: I was there.

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00:51:39.840 --> 00:51:40.230

Yvonne Cook-Riley: I was

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00:51:42.450 --> 00:51:44.610

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Just a person bitching and hollering

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00:51:45.720 --> 00:51:51.150

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Because they weren't. They were too conservative and I was

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: I, I was angry, and I wanted my

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: I wanted to be heard.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: At the same time,

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: The recognition for media and things like this was being acknowledged. We were very fortunate. Also in the media world that we start having TV shows like Donahue

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Which expose different subjects or willing to talk about different subjects, social, economic, whatever the case may be.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: That was

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00:52:37.020 --> 00:52:39.030

Yvonne Cook-Riley: taboo right and

00:52:40.680 --> 00:52:44.760

Yvonne Cook-Riley: They were talking and the AIDS.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Issue dominated. A lot of the discussion because it was a way of messaging.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: And television was media the show and tell, to move the message out of the bookstore OUT THE ADULT BOOKSTORE into mainstream

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: So I was in Chicago, and I was part of the trial group and

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Richard doctor who is a great friend of Virginia princes published a book.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: And University of California Southern California.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: And

00:53:36.960 --> 00:53:37.920

Yvonne Cook-Riley: His book.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Which was the first

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00:53:42.540 --> 00:53:45.360

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Studies that gave

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: catheterization or terms or definition to the spectrum.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: I think I have somewhere around here.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Richard doctor with the honor and his book.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: set in motion the concept that

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: DSM, which this book kind of was following gave

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Us vocabulary.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: We didn't have that vocabulary.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Except

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00:54:32.040 --> 00:54:33.090

Yvonne Cook-Riley: drag queen.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Transparency transvestite.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: No nose anymore.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: And a lot of it was based on coding

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Now,

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: In the gay community at this time.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Because of HIV and things like this. It was hanky talk. I don't know. Do you know what I'm talking about hanky

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Evan Taylor: panky code. I would not know which they all were. But I'm aware that it existed.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Well it existed, and it was a way, again, to be in public.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: And to transmit

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: A a preference, something like this. So, it

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: If, if you were wearing left or right pop back pocket. You're either top or bottom

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00:55:35.490 --> 00:55:44.970

Yvonne Cook-Riley: And one fetish or her heavy which died or whatever the case may be, but but coding

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Became section interesting part.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Of our community because it was through the coding

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: That

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: We gave off a

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Some kind of indication of where we were in our bedroom or whatever you want to call it, which came back to Central. So everything that everybody saw

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Came back into a sexual identity, not a gender identity.

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Evan Taylor: Right, right. Was there any kind of geeky code for gender at all.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Well yeah bank.

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00:56:35.790 --> 00:56:37.320

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Was female

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00:56:39.210 --> 00:56:41.070

Yvonne Cook-Riley: So you would

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Evan Taylor: I like cross dressers we're on a pink hanky to showcase, not at all.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Well, if they went to the adult bookstore.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: And picked up there right magazine, they got the code.

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Evan Taylor: Gotcha, gotcha.

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00:56:58.410 --> 00:57:01.110

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Okay, and that magazine.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Or that publication, along with pictures and things like this would help educate because you couldn't go to the library and look it up.

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Evan Taylor: Right now.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Try as had a program back in those days of putting in an index card.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: In the index file of libraries. Okay. And so they pre printed

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: transvestite.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: And they would put it in the lie and I libraries.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Card file under transvestite or cross dresser with crisis name on it.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Or some other groups name on it right support group. So that was one of the

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: media's

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: That we took advantage of back in the 80s of slipping in to the hard hard files of libraries.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Password code, whatever you want to say, Devon, but there was a means of communication.

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Evan Taylor: So when people leave like the an address or a phone number for a support group or something like that. Yeah, perfect.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Okay, usually the telephone number was a phone booth with instructions to call the phone book.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: phone booth at this particular time and usually somebody would be at that phone book phone booth for an hour and if somebody called they would talk to them kind of check their coding out to see where where they stand and

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Me and take them to a support group or something like 90% of the support groups at that time were in the closet right hate the police department knew where they were at

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: You know,

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Evan Taylor: And they get raided the police.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: I think some of them were in New York, things like this. I was not involved at that time in New York.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Cherry stone was a group that I was talking about New England predecessor predecessor to

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: That your buddy area and he came can tell you all about them. Okay.

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Evan Taylor: So, at this time, will you had these very different groups and I mean

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Evan Taylor: You're describing yourself quite happy to be the rabble rouser but what were the sort of the, the tensions between those that were very conservative on on Virginia Princess side and then the more liberal folks what were what were the, the argument points that were happening.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Well, the

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Allowing the argument was based upon

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Healthcare

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01:00:10.410 --> 01:00:10.980 Mm hmm.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Okay.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: And we did not have the

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Chemistry that we have today. You cannot we didn't have to. SASHA room shots right there are more shots and things like this that we have today. We don't have the plastic surgeons.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Back in there. So there was just a few surgeons Dr biber and Trinidad kind of zero.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: archard in Denmark.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Or Belgium.

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01:00:55.470 --> 01:00:56.040 Yvonne Cook-Riley: Belgium.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: That we're that we're offering solutions to people.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: So here I am, I'm in a meeting that had 70

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: people show up.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: The largest gathering in the United States.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Like

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: People

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: And this was in the mid 80s. Right. And at that meeting.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: On Sunday morning. I had Coffee and donuts in this room and I walked in.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: To it, because they had

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Free Coffee and donuts.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Now, I've been up all night dancing and partying.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: And I don't want to do is lay down someplace and listen to what was going on.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: And looking to see what was going to happen.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: And they were proposing that we

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Look at a white paper that Marissa Sherilyn presented a plantation fair saying

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: We have to be nationally organized

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: And she proposed the print the first time that I heard that we had an international educational group representing

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: The cross dressing community or or whatever.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: And

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Because they had Tiffany club.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: In New England, which was one of the first groups we had in the community that had a 501 C three

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Okay.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: I don't know what they call it in Canada, but that was the gentleman and nonprofit tax deductible group and

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Tiffany club had a newsletter.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: That had a circulation of about 500 people

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: And

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: It wanted to

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Move that publication up a notch.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Well, I

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: And they wanted to have a national or a conference.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: That

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: would educate navigate and move things forward.

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01:03:43.590 --> 01:03:49.890

Yvonne Cook-Riley: And the name of the group became the International Foundation for gender education. Okay.

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Evan Taylor: Now I know we're going, yeah.

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01:03:53.670 --> 01:03:54.180

Okay.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: And at that

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: After hearing what was going on. I raised my hand, and I said, I'll tell

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: You that was the greatest thing that happened to me in my lifetime or the worst, we cannot tell you the difference

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01:04:16.620 --> 01:04:20.040

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Marissa said we wanted to have a conference.

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01:04:21.300 --> 01:04:25.860

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Which is coming together, working together that dealt with.

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01:04:26.880 --> 01:04:29.340

Yvonne Cook-Riley: The issues of

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01:04:30.840 --> 01:04:40.110

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Fighting I have g. Now, not long before that I went to, where am I, I have to think so.

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01:04:41.580 --> 01:04:42.510

Yvonne Cook-Riley: I got involved.

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01:04:44.220 --> 01:04:47.580

Yvonne Cook-Riley: With with Russia at that time.

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01:04:49.140 --> 01:04:57.210

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Then I got asked if I would go on Sally Jessy Raphael show as a guest.

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01:04:58.770 --> 01:05:04.080

Yvonne Cook-Riley: So of the national talk shows

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01:05:06.510 --> 01:05:09.600

Yvonne Cook-Riley: And Sally Jessy Raphael was out of Cleveland.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Ohio.

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01:05:19.740 --> 01:05:25.140

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Jerry Springer was out of the same show location Cincinnati, Ohio.

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01:05:26.940 --> 01:05:27.390

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Okay.

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01:05:28.770 --> 01:05:29.580

Yvonne Cook-Riley: And

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01:05:32.700 --> 01:05:34.830

Yvonne Cook-Riley: I went on that show

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01:05:35.910 --> 01:05:38.730

Yvonne Cook-Riley: And I remember that producer at the time.

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01:05:39.780 --> 01:05:44.130

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Was going to pick who is going to lead the show, who, who is going to come on

01:05:45.330 --> 01:06:01.260

Yvonne Cook-Riley: As the as the guest and he came up says you're leading your first up on the on the show. I said, fine. And then he looked at me says God glory, your voice.

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01:06:04.590 --> 01:06:08.340

Yvonne Cook-Riley: My voice was too high. And I always do passable.

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01:06:09.570 --> 01:06:19.110

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Because he picked me because I was passable. And you can tell that I was a female

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01:06:22.230 --> 01:06:22.650

Yvonne Cook-Riley: So,

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01:06:23.880 --> 01:06:24.300

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Again,

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01:06:24.510 --> 01:06:28.140

Evan Taylor: They want you to sort of, you know, dial it back a little bit.

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01:06:29.790 --> 01:06:30.330

Evan Taylor: They picked you

01:06:32.850 --> 01:06:34.680

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Don't, don't be so fun.

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01:06:39.150 --> 01:06:44.370

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Well, I learned my lesson I ended up doing 26 of those talk shows

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01:06:44.640 --> 01:06:45.600 Evan Taylor: Oh my goodness.

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01:06:46.740 --> 01:06:48.210

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Back in the day.

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01:06:48.870 --> 01:06:52.380

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Only about three or 400 radio shows

612 01:06:53.550 --> 01:06:54.150 Yvonne Cook-Riley: Things like that.

613 01:06:54.660 --> 01:06:55.380 Oh, wow.

01:06:56.640 --> 01:06:59.400

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Yeah. Well, no. That's why you're talking to me.

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01:07:03.090 --> 01:07:04.800

Yvonne Cook-Riley: So anyway.

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01:07:07.170 --> 01:07:08.010

Yvonne Cook-Riley: After

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01:07:09.390 --> 01:07:14.160

Yvonne Cook-Riley: I became more notorious or whatever the case may be.

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01:07:15.300 --> 01:07:22.620

Yvonne Cook-Riley: And we put together a convention. The first convention first two conventions in Chicago.

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01:07:25.680 --> 01:07:26.730

Yvonne Cook-Riley: And they were

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01:07:27.930 --> 01:07:31.320

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Fantastic successes with a lot of little stories.

01:07:33.270 --> 01:07:33.570

Yvonne Cook-Riley: But

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01:07:35.160 --> 01:07:37.830

Yvonne Cook-Riley: The theme was coming together, working together.

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01:07:39.030 --> 01:07:41.070

Yvonne Cook-Riley: And through that.

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01:07:42.120 --> 01:07:43.710

Yvonne Cook-Riley: For the next 20 years

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01:07:45.930 --> 01:07:48.960

Yvonne Cook-Riley: That conference stayed alive and well.

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01:07:51.030 --> 01:07:59.640

Yvonne Cook-Riley: After a run of 20 years. It kind of steam and Mike. A lot of the support groups today.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Do not have the participation. They had back in the days when they started and their, their mission.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Hasn't been

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01:08:17.760 --> 01:08:19.680

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Hasn't been here too, because

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01:08:20.700 --> 01:08:21.120

Yvonne Cook-Riley: They're

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01:08:22.410 --> 01:08:37.020

Yvonne Cook-Riley: The cause it is not as hard to walk out of it's just you have to get up and get your ass together and open the door and walk out. But there's something out there to walk to IT ISN'T THERE ISN'T THE BIG SECRET.

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01:08:38.190 --> 01:08:43.020

Yvonne Cook-Riley: That you had to carry with you. Be before

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01:08:44.730 --> 01:08:57.000

Yvonne Cook-Riley: So is it and if it was worth, but that last 30 years of my life has been to, to make sure that that board stays open.

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01:08:58.680 --> 01:08:59.820

Yvonne Cook-Riley: For people

01:09:00.420 --> 01:09:00.990 Yvonne Cook-Riley: And he said,

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01:09:02.970 --> 01:09:03.450

Yvonne Cook-Riley: I'm sorry.

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01:09:03.720 --> 01:09:16.440

Evan Taylor: Do you figure that that that changed where there's a lot less people that come to these groups now and they sort of petered out in a particular way. Do you think that that is due to the fact that it's easier for people to walk out that door. They don't need as much support.

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01:09:18.600 --> 01:09:19.260

Yvonne Cook-Riley: I

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01:09:20.880 --> 01:09:29.730

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Feel that the support is always going to have to be there for a person who is

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01:09:31.320 --> 01:09:31.710

Yvonne Cook-Riley: At

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01:09:32.790 --> 01:09:34.710

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Some form of discomfort.

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01:09:36.450 --> 01:09:45.120

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Realizing that they are dealing with depression, anxiety, self esteem. Right. And if those three issues.

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01:09:46.740 --> 01:09:47.970

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Can be addressed.

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01:09:50.640 --> 01:09:54.300

Yvonne Cook-Riley: And some balance in their life.

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01:09:59.400 --> 01:10:04.470

Yvonne Cook-Riley: These issues can be addressed, socially, economically and medically

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01:10:05.790 --> 01:10:09.960

Yvonne Cook-Riley: That the community continually will

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01:10:11.340 --> 01:10:13.140

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Can move towards

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01:10:14.940 --> 01:10:18.750

Yvonne Cook-Riley: The place where was over 2000 years ago right

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Evan Taylor: And is it fair to say, from what we are and bring it back full circle that a little bit of what we were talking before

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Evan Taylor: You think it's fair to say that when we're looking at these three issues around depression, anxiety and self esteem.

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Evan Taylor: That so much of these issues are actually driven by the way that us as a society as a culture we deal with diversity, for instance, through the medicalization of the DSM is that full circle. What he was explaining earlier.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Yes. And the fact that I initiated. I actually his involvement with the American Psychiatric Association and I directed the associations.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: educational program through the American Psychiatric Association on the floor for eight years.

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01:11:10.830 --> 01:11:14.280

Yvonne Cook-Riley: With the American Association's annual meeting.

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Evan Taylor: So, and what was your, what was your, your, your key priorities during those eight years.

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01:11:22.770 --> 01:11:23.490

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Awareness.

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01:11:30.630 --> 01:11:31.770

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Moving

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01:11:33.540 --> 01:11:37.530

Yvonne Cook-Riley: The needle forward from sex, gender,

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: The support groups that were represented in that Chicago meeting of 91 people that were there.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Through I have he's establishment and things like this magazine tapestry things I just

01:12:05.340 --> 01:12:26.100

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Went to about 135 worldwide support groups. Wow, and that the max were just tottering over 200 the tapestry publication went from 500 copies being printed to 10,000 copies being printed. We didn't sell all of them, but

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01:12:27.480 --> 01:12:32.160

Yvonne Cook-Riley: We had a closet for old magazines, but

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: But

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01:12:35.040 --> 01:12:35.580

Yvonne Cook-Riley: In

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01:12:36.630 --> 01:12:38.370

Yvonne Cook-Riley: That particular magazine.

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01:12:39.960 --> 01:12:46.200

Yvonne Cook-Riley: You can see the articles and how the articles read you find themselves.

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01:12:48.780 --> 01:12:50.580

Yvonne Cook-Riley: To address the issues of the day.

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01:12:51.600 --> 01:13:07.770

Yvonne Cook-Riley: There was also a conference in the gay community and lesbian community out of Washington, DC, that was created by the lesbian community and the TAT gay and lesbian task force called creative chain weights.

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01:13:08.820 --> 01:13:09.270

Yvonne Cook-Riley: And

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01:13:10.470 --> 01:13:17.580

Yvonne Cook-Riley: During creative change and Michigan and I wish I could remember the year

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01:13:19.380 --> 01:13:20.100

Yvonne Cook-Riley: We

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01:13:21.720 --> 01:13:26.370

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Brought the TM, along with the B.

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01:13:27.960 --> 01:13:35.880

Yvonne Cook-Riley: And b's were everywhere. Um, and the T's were sitting over here and say, wait a minute.

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01:13:38.100 --> 01:13:50.610

Yvonne Cook-Riley: You're now. Now the task force is a very, very, very liberal organization, unlike a chancy right K and Elizabeth at HR see

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01:13:51.420 --> 01:14:03.840

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Only gave a shit about the sexual behavior and where she could get laid, and her partner and marriage and all the good stuff that the lesbian community was looking for.

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01:14:04.710 --> 01:14:18.540

Yvonne Cook-Riley: And she because of AIDS, she got on that bandwagon, which the task force was willing to go to, but not to the extent of embracing groups like ACTA

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01:14:19.350 --> 01:14:22.500

Evan Taylor: Rice into liberal at that time.

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01:14:23.280 --> 01:14:29.340

Yvonne Cook-Riley: There too liberal passwords for today liberal, but the concept of creative change.

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01:14:31.050 --> 01:14:31.650

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Were

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01:14:32.700 --> 01:14:35.190

Yvonne Cook-Riley: More embracing of a hierarchy.

01:14:40.500 --> 01:14:45.090

Yvonne Cook-Riley: And we just happened to be at the place at the table.

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01:14:46.290 --> 01:14:51.510

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Fellows fry was there and things like this that we were dealing with the legal identity.

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01:14:55.110 --> 01:14:57.180

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Name transgendered.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: And things like this that was accomplished in 1991 when

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01:15:05.790 --> 01:15:10.950

Yvonne Cook-Riley: I wrote the definition for the word and we publish it in the Oxford Dictionary

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01:15:13.440 --> 01:15:25.140

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Which now gave the, the whole movement, some form of structure because we didn't have a name.

01:15:26.490 --> 01:15:30.660

Yvonne Cook-Riley: For this worldwide phenomenon.

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01:15:31.500 --> 01:15:35.250

Evan Taylor: And what was the process of getting that word into the dictionary. What was that like

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01:15:35.670 --> 01:15:36.660

Yvonne Cook-Riley: We're different letter.

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01:15:37.680 --> 01:15:39.780

Evan Taylor: Is just just wrote a letter and they said, Okay.

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01:15:41.040 --> 01:15:47.100

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Yeah, okay. Yeah, it was the Oxford Dictionary not Webster, which is very liberal

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01:15:48.810 --> 01:15:50.580

Yvonne Cook-Riley: In doing we're in England.

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01:15:51.810 --> 01:15:54.030

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Okay. Vivian Alan

01:15:55.590 --> 01:15:59.850

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Was saying Lucy, I was the author and video and Ellen was the editor that

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01:16:01.650 --> 01:16:03.960

Yvonne Cook-Riley: She was the editor of the tapestry of the time.

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01:16:07.080 --> 01:16:13.920

Yvonne Cook-Riley: And so when we came out with the word to represent the social, economic, when blah, blah. They

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01:16:15.150 --> 01:16:20.280

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Have a community. Mm hmm. It was the reaction was

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01:16:22.260 --> 01:16:27.540

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Not my word somebody else's work, but because I was so

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01:16:29.760 --> 01:16:41.190

Yvonne Cook-Riley: A political words, not on anybody's real side. I was just a director of operations and made things happen and things like this and Walter

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01:16:42.210 --> 01:16:46.050

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Matter of fact, I was just so you know, I was first

01:16:47.340 --> 01:16:50.460

Yvonne Cook-Riley: I was a second all time paid person.

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01:16:51.690 --> 01:16:55.830

Yvonne Cook-Riley: And the transgender movement working on transgendered issues.

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01:16:56.850 --> 01:16:57.960

Evan Taylor: It was the first

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01:16:58.890 --> 01:17:02.700

Evan Taylor: Or so. Okay, that makes some sense.

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01:17:05.220 --> 01:17:06.240

Yvonne Cook-Riley: But she couldn't do it all.

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01:17:07.620 --> 01:17:08.700

Evan Taylor: There was a lot to be done.

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01:17:09.990 --> 01:17:14.700

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Well, we still can't do it all you know we we we

01:17:16.110 --> 01:17:18.420

Yvonne Cook-Riley: screwed it up pretty good, you know,

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01:17:20.130 --> 01:17:23.820

Evan Taylor: Screw that. That's an interesting. That's an interesting statement. But tell me more about that.

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01:17:25.230 --> 01:17:27.600

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Well, it was, it was something that

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01:17:28.800 --> 01:17:29.550

Yvonne Cook-Riley: To

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01:17:30.750 --> 01:17:34.020

Yvonne Cook-Riley: These support groups. Again, we're little dynasties.

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01:17:35.520 --> 01:17:39.720

Yvonne Cook-Riley: And this organization and warfare Massachusetts is telling you

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01:17:40.830 --> 01:17:49.590

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Something and but yet we wouldn't be the traffic cop for the community. We were pretty neutral in

01:17:50.790 --> 01:18:03.000

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Not taking a Virginia print side or or person I enjoy on Roberts, or, you know, different publishers at different magazines that

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01:18:05.220 --> 01:18:11.190

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Were out there because this was the internet at the time was the disease.

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01:18:12.450 --> 01:18:18.810

Yvonne Cook-Riley: And how the scenes were published the drag magazines and things like this. And they went all over the world.

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01:18:20.490 --> 01:18:22.050

Yvonne Cook-Riley: You know, so

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01:18:22.770 --> 01:18:29.220

Evan Taylor: When you say that you know the OB we missed that mess that up pretty bad. Um, what are the things that you would look back and wish you'd done differently.

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01:18:42.630 --> 01:18:43.860

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Not getting involved.

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01:18:45.120 --> 01:18:45.840

Evan Taylor: Interesting.

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01:18:49.530 --> 01:18:56.280

Yvonne Cook-Riley: It, it has and still today possesses I life.

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01:18:59.700 --> 01:19:05.190

Yvonne Cook-Riley: And maybe if I just committed suicide at the time.

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01:19:07.560 --> 01:19:11.190

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Was out of their things might have gone a lot smoother.

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01:19:12.540 --> 01:19:19.590

Yvonne Cook-Riley: We had a very rough and Rocky Road, all the way through a there was never enough money.

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01:19:23.730 --> 01:19:27.450

Yvonne Cook-Riley: The people who held the financial support.

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01:19:30.360 --> 01:19:33.960

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Were and themselves very much in the closet.

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01:19:40.080 --> 01:19:40.740

Yvonne Cook-Riley: So,

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01:19:41.790 --> 01:19:43.260

Yvonne Cook-Riley: At any rate,

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01:19:45.150 --> 01:19:47.700 Yvonne Cook-Riley: The this particular kind of

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01:19:49.020 --> 01:19:52.500

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Social, economic story movement.

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01:19:53.790 --> 01:19:54.630

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Happened.

735 01:19:58.650 --> 01:19:59.910 Yvonne Cook-Riley: Because of DSM.

736 01:20:02.970 --> 01:20:03.960 Yvonne Cook-Riley: It happened.

01:20:05.430 --> 01:20:06.210

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Because

01:20:07.980 --> 01:20:14.010

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Of the conservative religious community in the world.

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01:20:15.480 --> 01:20:21.270

Yvonne Cook-Riley: And happened because people were dying of AIDS.

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01:20:25.140 --> 01:20:33.540

Yvonne Cook-Riley: There was so many different factors that I look back upon my 30 years involvement and say,

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: There isn't one thing that I can look at except for the work that I did.

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01:20:43.170 --> 01:20:45.600

Yvonne Cook-Riley: To help make change.

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01:20:46.680 --> 01:20:54.780

Yvonne Cook-Riley: And that wasn't done in my image, but it was done in what I felt was the Community's image.

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01:20:57.090 --> 01:21:00.060

Yvonne Cook-Riley: My ego was tied to it a little bit.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: But

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01:21:03.450 --> 01:21:04.860

Yvonne Cook-Riley: I was saving lives.

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01:21:07.320 --> 01:21:11.820

Yvonne Cook-Riley: And I really didn't give a shit. Yeah, somebody

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01:21:13.410 --> 01:21:14.310

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Give you a story.

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01:21:19.080 --> 01:21:25.110

Yvonne Cook-Riley: When we opened up the office and north and Massachusetts. We also opened up a hotline.

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01:21:26.880 --> 01:21:32.490

Yvonne Cook-Riley: And that hotline with for three years.

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01:21:33.780 --> 01:21:35.610

Yvonne Cook-Riley: That top of was under my bed.

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01:21:37.980 --> 01:21:40.080

Evan Taylor: What, what, what, three years, would this be around.

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01:21:41.550 --> 01:21:48.420

Yvonne Cook-Riley: 1988 1989 1991

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01:21:50.160 --> 01:21:51.900

Evan Taylor: Okay, gotcha.

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01:21:53.010 --> 01:21:55.110

Yvonne Cook-Riley: And during that time.

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01:22:00.060 --> 01:22:09.060

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Maybe two, maybe three times a day, a call come in with somebody, I could help, not knowing what I was going to say not.

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01:22:10.590 --> 01:22:12.420

Yvonne Cook-Riley: But I came down to

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01:22:13.920 --> 01:22:18.720

Yvonne Cook-Riley: It a question that helped me take doctor doctors

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Spectrum.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Of categories.

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01:22:24.990 --> 01:22:36.750

Yvonne Cook-Riley: And use that as a base of category. What do I talk to this person about they can help them. I had to have some idea of

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01:22:37.800 --> 01:23:01.710

Yvonne Cook-Riley: What part of the spectrum, are they on and which way are they going right because at any one given time a person could go one way, turn around and say the same for me and go back. Another way or skip different things and goes right to where that person needs to be right.

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01:23:02.880 --> 01:23:04.770

Yvonne Cook-Riley: So I had to come up with something

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01:23:05.880 --> 01:23:09.000

Yvonne Cook-Riley: That worked for me in a very short time.

01:23:10.830 --> 01:23:13.050

Yvonne Cook-Riley: And when I got a call.

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01:23:14.820 --> 01:23:17.490

Yvonne Cook-Riley: It usually because of voice.

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01:23:18.660 --> 01:23:20.190

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Was a male

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01:23:22.080 --> 01:23:26.790

Yvonne Cook-Riley: I would ask how old they are usually between 35 and 50

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01:23:28.050 --> 01:23:32.610

Yvonne Cook-Riley: All right. Back in this time they're they're seeking

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01:23:33.990 --> 01:23:44.340

Yvonne Cook-Riley: They've come through and they're in a closet that they're distraught, they're dealing with low self esteem.

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01:23:45.900 --> 01:23:48.960

Yvonne Cook-Riley: There. They're just really, really.

01:23:50.370 --> 01:23:51.960

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Trying to find something so

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01:23:53.130 --> 01:23:56.220

Yvonne Cook-Riley: I know that I'm talking to a male. Now I've

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01:23:57.270 --> 01:23:58.560

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Got an age.

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01:23:59.940 --> 01:24:00.330

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Okay.

776 01:24:02.160 --> 01:24:02.700 Yvonne Cook-Riley: And

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01:24:04.230 --> 01:24:05.070 Yvonne Cook-Riley: I would ask

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01:24:07.170 --> 01:24:13.740

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Do you have a feminine name or kind of, you know, we do a pronoun to us.

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01:24:17.520 --> 01:24:26.580

Yvonne Cook-Riley: And then I've got an age I got the idea that they have identified

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01:24:27.660 --> 01:24:33.780

Yvonne Cook-Riley: That that illusion that they're dealing with in a way that it has a name, or does not have a name.

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01:24:35.700 --> 01:24:37.410

Yvonne Cook-Riley: And my third question is

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01:24:38.670 --> 01:24:43.410

Yvonne Cook-Riley: After you masturbate. Do you leave the toes or take them off. Hmm.

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01:24:44.340 --> 01:24:47.250

Evan Taylor: Interesting question. I'm trying to get out whether or not this is a

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01:24:47.940 --> 01:24:50.040

Evan Taylor: sexual things or a gender thing.

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01:24:51.750 --> 01:24:52.770

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Or a fetish thing.

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Right.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Okay.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: And if they're honestly and they actually told me I would be able to nail them right to this whole on a spectrum rate.

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01:25:08.130 --> 01:25:16.380

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Okay, if they bought into I don't masturbate. Hey, wait a minute, that person is transsexual

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01:25:21.600 --> 01:25:22.290

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Because

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: They are not comfortable with their male or female genitalia. Right, right.

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01:25:31.710 --> 01:25:32.100

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Okay.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Or

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01:25:35.190 --> 01:25:36.300

Yvonne Cook-Riley: I take them off.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Because I don't want them to get soiled

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: How I'm dealing with somebody who is arrived.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: In

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Involved.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: When they are in the process of dressing or cross dressing or whatever you want to say but removing in today's agenda when I asked for the name if they didn't have a name. Also, I put them back in that

01:26:10.590 --> 01:26:21.930

Yvonne Cook-Riley: fetishistic or cross dressing transparent community because until such time as you are willing to bring Evan forward.

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01:26:23.850 --> 01:26:28.170

Yvonne Cook-Riley: How do you fill in the rest of the blank. And where's your self esteem. Right.

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01:26:28.230 --> 01:26:28.590
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Right.

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01:26:29.910 --> 01:26:32.340

Yvonne Cook-Riley: So based on those three questions.

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01:26:35.520 --> 01:26:37.590

Yvonne Cook-Riley: I probably saved thousands of lives.

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01:26:39.660 --> 01:26:44.880

Evan Taylor: What are some of the notable phone calls that you've got so many. But what are some of the notable ones that you remember the most

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: I remember some of the ones who were asking for surgery. Tomorrow I'm okay. And I tell them how to do it, how to get

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You know,

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01:27:03.360 --> 01:27:20.100

Yvonne Cook-Riley: It's very simple. I'd say can you write a check for \$15,000 if they said, Yes. I said, Well, here's an address and Colorado biber you write that check you put it in the mail and say you want an appointment for surgery.

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01:27:22.230 --> 01:27:24.540

Yvonne Cook-Riley: And you're on your way. Right.

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01:27:25.620 --> 01:27:27.450

Yvonne Cook-Riley: You know, so

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Or Thailand, not the time we got through

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01:27:32.820 --> 01:27:41.730

Yvonne Cook-Riley: You know, just make contact there, but it was the basic thing was the money right

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01:27:42.990 --> 01:27:44.880

Yvonne Cook-Riley: If you can afford to have the surgery.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: You if you could not afford to have the surgery and you had to work and save and find a way of getting the money to have the surgery, you would survive after surgery. Right.

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01:28:02.670 --> 01:28:11.070

Yvonne Cook-Riley: If it was given to you your survival after surgery at about a 5050 chance of surviving

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Really

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Evan Taylor: And what was making the big difference in those rates there.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Well, the thing is, when it's given

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: And you don't have to work for

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: You can't appreciate or survive or learn how to survive a not having it.

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Evan Taylor: Right, you're you.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: You all of a sudden, you've had this male identity. You're 3538 39 maybe 40 years old, you have an established family.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Or or some kind of thing or career path and you're going to go back to that career path at this time that we were dealing with a binary existence, you're going to get fired, right.

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Evan Taylor: Whereas those folks who have to work a little bit harder and take things, step by step, maybe develop a little bit more of a resilience than the word is given

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Right. Right. And and learning how to navigate

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01:29:28.080 --> 01:29:30.630

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Their chosen gender. Mm hmm.

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Evan Taylor: Okay to climate eyes and get used to things like that. The real life piece that we talked about now.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Yes. And, and the thing is Evan.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: We didn't have

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: The we have primary transsexuals. But we did have the primary transsexual in youth that we do today.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: We have young people today who are the future of non binary

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Society.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Growing up and becoming the teachers healers. The leaders, the politicians and negotiators.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: That we were thousands of years ago.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Right, then the tribal society.

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01:30:27.720 --> 01:30:28.290

Mm hmm.

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Evan Taylor: So,

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01:30:30.030 --> 01:30:31.140

Yvonne Cook-Riley: We've come

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01:30:32.490 --> 01:30:34.980

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Full circle now is

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01:30:36.360 --> 01:30:40.410

Yvonne Cook-Riley: The transgender community ready for the challenge.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: That is really going to be in confronting us as the soothsayers the healers. The the

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01:30:51.960 --> 01:30:52.860

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Teachers

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01:30:54.630 --> 01:30:58.890

Yvonne Cook-Riley: The people that will inherit

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01:31:01.080 --> 01:31:03.720

Yvonne Cook-Riley: As we blow ourselves apart and survive.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: What role the transgender community take

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: When we are dealing with that survival.

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01:31:15.150 --> 01:31:15.570

Yvonne Cook-Riley: That

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Evan Taylor: If you can

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Evan Taylor: What are your dreams for that if you said, you know, designed the future to be

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Evan Taylor: In Canada, we would like it help. What are your dreams for that that generation, the next

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Evan Taylor: We're going to reach into trance box.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: I think a lot of it.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Comes back to what we are looking in the scientific area in the

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Sci Fi community.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Let's, let's look at

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Some of the things that has happened.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: And in the movies. I'm trying to think of that movie that the controlling system.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: On that's written

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01:31:58.740 --> 01:32:00.120

Yvonne Cook-Riley: To transgender people

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Brothers have produced the Navy to make the matrix.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Yeah, how do we survive in the matrix.

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Evan Taylor: Mm hmm.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: And I, and I see the sci fi

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: writers writing the history of the trenches.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: And we don't know if that makes

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: I think this makes

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Evan Taylor: Definitely. I mean, what I'm hearing from you is that there's there's two pieces to this, where there is a moving forward. But in the moving forward. It's also perhaps the return and the recovery and healing from what has happened in that meantime

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01:32:40.890 --> 01:32:43.800

Yvonne Cook-Riley: And and we're Edwards church, boy.

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Evan Taylor: Right.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: At home, and was church.

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01:32:49.110 --> 01:32:51.570

Yvonne Cook-Riley: And how that

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01:32:52.740 --> 01:33:10.440

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Is dominating our world and has been dominating our world for thousands of years. And that is the continuing family fight in the Middle East and they don't realize the solution to that fight is marriage.

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Evan Taylor: Tell me more about that. That's a really I've never heard that from anyone.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: What is the, what did society fear of our community.

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Evan Taylor: And that we are we're pedophiles and immoral awful people who are going to do terrible things to children and never produce enough

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: And what's happening today.

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Evan Taylor: Quite the opposite, in some ways,

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: More adoptions today.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Since single and same sex parenting.

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Evan Taylor: Right.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: And more places where that child is growing up in a loving and caring environment. Mm hmm.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Okay, and becoming an example of moving away from binary

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: To a non binary system.

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01:34:12.060 --> 01:34:16.500

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Instead of them or us looking at, we

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01:34:17.670 --> 01:34:22.410

Yvonne Cook-Riley: And when we are willing to adapt.

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01:34:23.610 --> 01:34:35.670

Yvonne Cook-Riley: The we in society, then we are dealing with another another total socio economic level of survival, which

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01:34:36.870 --> 01:34:39.870

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Living. There's nothing imported here.

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01:34:42.270 --> 01:34:54.180

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Okay, it's all here. And when you have to look at things if you move past the concept of God and hate and guilt.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: And you level the playing field to realize that if you need a creator in your life because you want to have a supreme thought

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: So, okay, go for, but don't or set supreme thought or guidance or whatever the case might be on somebody else just let them find the balance in their life, and I feel that if the transgender community can look upon and their existence.

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01:35:30.090 --> 01:35:45.420

Yvonne Cook-Riley: To look upon communities like the Eskimos or the Indians or the shamans and the idea that shamanism is in your DNA, Evan, I am sorry, that's the way it is.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: And how you deal with being a shaman is up to you.

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01:35:53.640 --> 01:36:04.380

Evan Taylor: I really like this thing that you're saying about the, about the marriage. I wanted to pull back to peace. And I was thinking, I want to make sure I'm getting him and I'm there's a phrase that

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Evan Taylor: That I've heard many times in various, various writings about marriage. It's a quote by Rumi where the saying is beyond the ideas of right and wrong. There's a field and I will meet you there.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: And

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01:36:21.090 --> 01:36:29.610

Evan Taylor: I'm thinking about that when you say that we need to get past a lot of the religious ideals and the whose God is whoever's God which God is right and

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Evan Taylor: And move beyond these ideas of right and wrong and that marriage in so many ways is the epitome of relation ality

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Evan Taylor: And that when we learn that relation ality when we learn to move from the I took a week and you know I haven't been married that long that have married long enough to know you need to move from the idea of the week.

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Evan Taylor: And that moving into that we is perhaps one of the most healing things that that we can do for ourselves and for other people.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Okay.

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01:36:58.050 --> 01:36:59.010

And I get that. Okay, good.

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Evan Taylor: Good.

01:37:01.410 --> 01:37:02.670

Yvonne Cook-Riley: I mean, how do we

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: As a community. How do we exemplify the week.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: How do we find and teach balance in our life.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: That isn't

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01:37:20.820 --> 01:37:24.840

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Held to a binary position right or wrong.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Right absolute hell are having

01:37:28.980 --> 01:37:30.510

Evan Taylor: Mm hmm. Good or bad

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01:37:30.540 --> 01:37:42.540

Yvonne Cook-Riley: How do we, how do we look upon ourselves as a person of a non binary experience willing to sit

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01:37:46.500 --> 01:37:49.260

Yvonne Cook-Riley: He Quakers Buddhist

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01:37:50.130 --> 01:37:58.890

Evan Taylor: I'm wondering as well. One of the questions I didn't ask you at the very beginning is about your, your family status and. And so I'm wondering how this plays out for you with your family and the people that you're close to

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Okay, my family status. I am married

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Been married for 28 years

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Congratulations.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: And the same gender marriage.

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01:38:20.370 --> 01:38:21.120

Yvonne Cook-Riley: We

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01:38:25.800 --> 01:38:26.250

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Have

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01:38:27.360 --> 01:38:30.180

Yvonne Cook-Riley: As individuals we both have had to

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: To deal with our own air more in mortality.

922 01:38:37.770 --> 01:38:43.800 Yvonne Cook-Riley: I am 78 she is, she is 69 ok

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01:38:44.910 --> 01:38:45.360

Yvonne Cook-Riley: OK.

01:38:50.070 --> 01:38:52.680

Yvonne Cook-Riley: We have been out as a couple.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: In the community.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: 1991

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: So,

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: My partner and one time.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Lived a year as a male

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Evan Taylor: And this has been your character went by Dan

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Mm hmm. Okay.

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01:39:30.630 --> 01:39:31.050

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Okay.

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01:39:33.690 --> 01:39:34.020 Yvonne Cook-Riley: That's

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: That's how come up

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01:39:37.800 --> 01:39:42.060 Yvonne Cook-Riley: With we know Holly so well are

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: There. Right. We work and helped Aaron through his transition

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01:39:53.190 --> 01:39:55.050

Yvonne Cook-Riley: I mean, we were there.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Dan

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Put together in 1990 the first

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Gathering of females to males and in the world and the world and Boston

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: In 1998. Yeah. Aaron was there.

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01:40:22.140 --> 01:40:24.660

Yvonne Cook-Riley: So is Jamison green

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: And this was in Boston at afge coming together, working together convention.

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01:40:34.710 --> 01:40:35.160 Gotcha.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: And

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: If they couldn't afford a room in a hotel that we were using a holiday in there was a cheaper downsize hotel next door and Dan paid for the rooms.

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Oh, wow.

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Evan Taylor: Either

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: With our own money.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: And also paid for transportation for some of the guys to come. Oh, wow.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: So along with

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01:41:06.060 --> 01:41:07.770

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Now this time.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: It was before.

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01:41:16.920 --> 01:41:19.170

Yvonne Cook-Riley: My active work with me on his name's

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01:41:20.670 --> 01:41:27.000

Yvonne Cook-Riley: James inherited after from a cross pressure in San Francisco.

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01:41:29.490 --> 01:41:31.920

Yvonne Cook-Riley: And then name now escapes me

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01:41:34.170 --> 01:41:36.510

Yvonne Cook-Riley: You should know more than I do.

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01:41:38.040 --> 01:41:43.200

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Who established a PR support group in San Francisco of the females to males.

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Evan Taylor: And want to say do patent, but I'm not positive.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Know, Jude was in Los Angeles. Okay. Okay. This person was before Jude.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: And

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Died of HIV.

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01:41:57.270 --> 01:41:58.740

Evan Taylor: Oh that loosen up and that's what we're thinking

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: We're solving. Thank you. Okay, and Lucy 11 had

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Some of Virginia princes concept we don't mix the the groups.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: You don't associate

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With the

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Female to Male

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01:42:23.220 --> 01:42:28.380

Evan Taylor: Right, so the Rams on the left or on completely different fruits and there's never the twain shall meet idea.

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01:42:29.490 --> 01:42:35.280

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Until Jason her Jamison green came in and

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Jamison

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01:42:43.320 --> 01:42:44.970

Yvonne Cook-Riley: But maybe he'll tell you, maybe

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Jamison is a working Sharman

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Evan Taylor: So somebody who is

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Somebody who is

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01:43:03.210 --> 01:43:04.260 Evan Taylor: Really really come into

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Laughter

978 01:43:08.670 --> 01:43:09.150 Yvonne Cook-Riley: Well,

979 01:43:12.660 --> 01:43:14.520 Yvonne Cook-Riley: This is, this is why

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01:43:16.680 --> 01:43:19.080

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Back in back in the day.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Early 1990s that there was a group called kindred spirits right and that we're here in Asheville, North Carolina.

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01:43:33.720 --> 01:43:36.330

Yvonne Cook-Riley: And it looked at the spiritual

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01:43:38.880 --> 01:43:42.930

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Beliefs of the whole spectrum of treasure and community.

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01:43:44.970 --> 01:43:47.580

Yvonne Cook-Riley: There was a great movement.

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01:43:49.380 --> 01:43:52.950

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Trying to hold on to a Wiccan

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01:43:54.990 --> 01:43:55.950

Yvonne Cook-Riley: belief system.

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01:43:57.510 --> 01:44:14.370

Yvonne Cook-Riley: And there is also a strong movement to hold on to the Native American belief system or the indigenous police system indigenous everywhere.

01:44:16.410 --> 01:44:17.340

Yvonne Cook-Riley: There was

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01:44:18.840 --> 01:44:21.900

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Good studies in the indigenous

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01:44:24.900 --> 01:44:29.760

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Trying to think of the social anthropologist from University of Wisconsin.

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01:44:30.960 --> 01:44:33.930

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Who documented. A lot of the shaman.

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01:44:36.390 --> 01:44:39.000

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Relationship to a TRANSGENDERED PERSON.

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01:44:40.650 --> 01:44:42.330

Yvonne Cook-Riley: And made that connection.

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01:44:44.370 --> 01:44:48.510

Yvonne Cook-Riley: With non binary behavior within the shoreline.

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01:44:49.740 --> 01:44:50.430

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Community.

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01:44:51.510 --> 01:44:56.400

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Right, and how we fit in to the culture and lifestyle.

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01:44:57.420 --> 01:45:00.660

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Of the TRANSGENDERED PERSON today.

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01:45:04.980 --> 01:45:05.550

Evan Taylor: And when was

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01:45:08.880 --> 01:45:10.440

Yvonne Cook-Riley: When was kindred spirits spirits.

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01:45:12.330 --> 01:45:12.870

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Sorry.

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01:45:13.500 --> 01:45:14.520

When was kindred spirits.

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01:45:17.490 --> 01:45:19.920

Yvonne Cook-Riley: I don't understand the question coming

01:45:20.280 --> 01:45:20.430

Evan Taylor: Oh,

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01:45:20.460 --> 01:45:22.590

Evan Taylor: Just I'm not just dates.

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01:45:22.950 --> 01:45:23.280

As

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01:45:25.020 --> 01:45:29.400

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Well kindred spirits started in 1992

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01:45:31.860 --> 01:45:34.380

Yvonne Cook-Riley: It first developed at

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01:45:36.660 --> 01:45:39.510

Yvonne Cook-Riley: The southern conference convention in Atlanta, Georgia.

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01:45:40.770 --> 01:45:43.740

Yvonne Cook-Riley: And then it moved on to its own thing.

01:45:47.670 --> 01:45:48.420

Yvonne Cook-Riley: And

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01:45:49.440 --> 01:45:53.100

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Anchored itself here in Asheville, North Carolina.

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01:45:55.290 --> 01:46:00.570

Yvonne Cook-Riley: It had an annual gathering in hot springs, North Carolina.

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01:46:02.850 --> 01:46:11.370

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Which had people coming from all over the world to it. It was limited to about 20 could only handle 20 people

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01:46:12.480 --> 01:46:13.080

Yvonne Cook-Riley: A year.

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01:46:16.110 --> 01:46:18.090

Yvonne Cook-Riley: It kind of

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01:46:24.720 --> 01:46:26.700

Yvonne Cook-Riley: took its course and

01:46:28.920 --> 01:46:29.910

Yvonne Cook-Riley: It is now.

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01:46:30.930 --> 01:46:37.410

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Totally inactive. Nobody wants to to work as hard as Holly Boswell worked on it.

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01:46:39.720 --> 01:46:42.600

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Holly Boswell is dead, you know,

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01:46:44.790 --> 01:46:47.280

Yvonne Cook-Riley: And she died from alcoholism.

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01:46:51.780 --> 01:46:52.350

Yvonne Cook-Riley: So,

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01:46:58.500 --> 01:47:02.460

Yvonne Cook-Riley: It just, it just sits out there. There's a small group of

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01:47:04.230 --> 01:47:12.840

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Individuals, including myself that get together know one another and, if need be,

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01:47:15.630 --> 01:47:18.240

Yvonne Cook-Riley: We'll do our magic.

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01:47:20.730 --> 01:47:21.780

Yvonne Cook-Riley: For other people

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01:47:22.800 --> 01:47:24.780

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Depending upon the need and the request.

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01:47:28.680 --> 01:47:28.920

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Is

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01:47:30.000 --> 01:47:35.670

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Very, very the biggest secret about the group is it. There is no secret.

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01:47:41.250 --> 01:47:43.260

Yvonne Cook-Riley: What's the biggest secret about Mason's there is not

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01:47:46.860 --> 01:47:48.510

Yvonne Cook-Riley: It's not a secret society.

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01:47:51.690 --> 01:47:53.550

Yvonne Cook-Riley: But it's not published in

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01:47:55.860 --> 01:47:56.670

Yvonne Cook-Riley: What few

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01:47:59.670 --> 01:48:07.020

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Archival things you can find in your archives under Holly Boswell or myself in there.

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01:48:10.170 --> 01:48:10.860

Yvonne Cook-Riley: I have not

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01:48:12.600 --> 01:48:20.280
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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Transmitted to to Canada, all the stuff from Marissa Cheryl lenses state. I'm sitting on it. I just

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01:48:22.440 --> 01:48:27.750

Yvonne Cook-Riley: procrastinating on it, but I didn't send boxes and I'm ready to go whenever I can.

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01:48:28.950 --> 01:48:29.910

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Turn around to it.

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01:48:32.850 --> 01:48:40.560

Yvonne Cook-Riley: My kids know what we're all this bones are buried here at home to send up there and

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01:48:41.730 --> 01:48:44.070

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Let you peruse it along.

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01:48:45.270 --> 01:48:50.910

Yvonne Cook-Riley: With the this particular document that we're creating right now.

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01:48:52.320 --> 01:48:56.490

Yvonne Cook-Riley: And give them some kind of hint of

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01:49:00.210 --> 01:49:08.310

Yvonne Cook-Riley: What's going to happen in the future if you want me to to say I know what's going to happen in future.

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01:49:09.420 --> 01:49:11.190

Yvonne Cook-Riley: I'm afraid the answer is yes.

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01:49:14.250 --> 01:49:14.880

Evan Taylor: Give me

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01:49:16.740 --> 01:49:19.080

Yvonne Cook-Riley: We're going to blow ourselves apart, um,

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01:49:20.370 --> 01:49:21.420

Yvonne Cook-Riley: But that'd be an ROI.

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01:49:24.930 --> 01:49:29.130

Yvonne Cook-Riley: But we're heading that way ego does not discriminate

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01:49:32.970 --> 01:49:33.630

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Definitely

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Let me see moving towards

1050 01:49:37.740 --> 01:49:39.810 Yvonne Cook-Riley: Well, no.

1051 01:49:43.080 --> 01:49:43.740

Yvonne Cook-Riley: They might

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01:49:44.760 --> 01:49:48.540

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Be the idea between the

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01:49:50.820 --> 01:50:10.440

Yvonne Cook-Riley: The Crusades were just fighting another Crusade between the Muslims and the candidate and the Catholic for the prize or whatever the case may be the only ones that they've got some sentences. The Buddhist or the Chinese up there where they don't have the pro prohibited religion. Totally.

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01:50:13.200 --> 01:50:18.870

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Or the showman and service area are looking at the Native American of this call.

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01:50:20.190 --> 01:50:22.860

Yvonne Cook-Riley: They've got it right. You don't see him up there.

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01:50:24.060 --> 01:50:27.840

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Are in themselves trying to get nuclear weapons and things like this.

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01:50:30.690 --> 01:50:32.610

Yvonne Cook-Riley: When I was when I was in Korea.

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01:50:37.140 --> 01:50:41.700

Yvonne Cook-Riley: We had a moment exemplifying

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01:50:43.020 --> 01:50:53.580

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Korea back in the days that I was there and I was there 9090 290-293-9494 at

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01:50:56.400 --> 01:51:04.650

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Me back up 1968 1963 four and five. I wish.

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01:51:06.300 --> 01:51:10.290

Yvonne Cook-Riley: And I was in Vietnam. I'm a Vietnam veteran. Mm hmm.

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01:51:11.310 --> 01:51:11.730

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Okay.

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01:51:12.750 --> 01:51:20.160

Yvonne Cook-Riley: And I also sit on the board of transgendered American Veterans Association, which Trump is trying to

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01:51:21.180 --> 01:51:25.500

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Take and dehumanize my existence.

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01:51:27.450 --> 01:51:33.510

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Which again is the old anger of looking at

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01:51:34.560 --> 01:51:38.340

Yvonne Cook-Riley: A binary system versus an inclusive.

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01:51:39.630 --> 01:51:40.140

Yvonne Cook-Riley: System.

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01:51:42.180 --> 01:51:42.840

Evan Taylor: And I was wondering

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01:51:45.330 --> 01:51:46.050

Yvonne Cook-Riley: About your

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01:51:48.780 --> 01:51:53.010

Yvonne Cook-Riley: I was, I was in active duty for years.

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01:51:55.320 --> 01:51:59.670

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Doing pre Vietnam and during the Vietnam conflict.

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01:52:04.110 --> 01:52:04.560

Yvonne Cook-Riley: And what have you.

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01:52:07.350 --> 01:52:08.070

Evan Taylor: Leading some

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01:52:11.040 --> 01:52:11.580

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Well,

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01:52:14.700 --> 01:52:15.960

Yvonne Cook-Riley: We're

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01:52:17.490 --> 01:52:19.530

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Sitting we're not sitting back

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01:52:22.830 --> 01:52:24.390

Yvonne Cook-Riley: We're kind of

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01:52:25.980 --> 01:52:32.040

Yvonne Cook-Riley: being patient with it and doing things to expose the fact that we are here.

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01:52:34.770 --> 01:52:36.000

Yvonne Cook-Riley: We represent

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01:52:38.820 --> 01:52:44.310

Yvonne Cook-Riley: 100,000 military active hundred and 40,000 military active duty people

01:52:45.930 --> 01:52:50.700

Yvonne Cook-Riley: gave us the best count that question. How many are there.

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01:52:52.170 --> 01:53:06.570

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Back in the day when we were first starting the community or how many area. How many do you want it to be, but I used to say that we represent at least one to 2% of the population worldwide.

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01:53:09.930 --> 01:53:10.800

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Now you figured

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01:53:12.690 --> 01:53:15.330

Yvonne Cook-Riley: If you could take the world population and you could take

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01:53:16.380 --> 01:53:17.250

Yvonne Cook-Riley: 2% of it.

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01:53:18.360 --> 01:53:22.020

Yvonne Cook-Riley: And maybe a little better. That's how many transgender people there in the world.

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01:53:25.980 --> 01:53:26.190

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Mean

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01:53:27.390 --> 01:53:29.040

Yvonne Cook-Riley: I just pulled it out of my ass.

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01:53:33.450 --> 01:53:33.990

Evan Taylor: Good, yeah.

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01:53:36.390 --> 01:53:39.060

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Pretty close the case when I say they're 10%

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01:53:42.060 --> 01:53:43.080
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Yvonne Cook-Riley: bump that up there.

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01:53:43.980 --> 01:53:44.640

Absolutely.

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01:53:45.870 --> 01:53:46.320

Yvonne Cook-Riley: You know,

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01:53:49.230 --> 01:53:49.620

Evan Taylor: Not

01:53:53.610 --> 01:53:55.290

Yvonne Cook-Riley: There you go. There you go.

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01:53:56.610 --> 01:53:56.940

Yvonne Cook-Riley: It's

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01:53:58.920 --> 01:54:01.740

Yvonne Cook-Riley: You know, it's kind of like what do you want it to be.

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01:54:02.760 --> 01:54:05.430

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Yeah, and and that comes back to

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01:54:06.660 --> 01:54:10.110

Yvonne Cook-Riley: What is it your life, you really want to be

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01:54:11.760 --> 01:54:35.460

Yvonne Cook-Riley: How do you really want to live in. Do you want to see yourself as a binary person in a binary relationship that you have a wife, where your children are calling your dad or do you want to have a life when you are same gender marriage or things like this. You made a choice.

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01:54:36.900 --> 01:54:38.580

Yvonne Cook-Riley: You made a choice to be straight.

### 1102

01:54:41.850 --> 01:54:45.030

Yvonne Cook-Riley: I don't know if your partner's female born a male partner.

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01:54:45.780 --> 01:54:46.440

Evan Taylor: My partner.

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01:54:47.100 --> 01:54:48.540

Evan Taylor: To spirit and indigenous

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01:54:48.600 --> 01:54:49.590
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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Hand is very much

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01:54:50.550 --> 01:54:54.030

Evan Taylor: What most people who who pulls on the very trajectory

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01:54:54.270 --> 01:54:59.100

Evan Taylor: That we're talking about going back to our roles in a different system or

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01:54:59.700 --> 01:55:01.470

Yvonne Cook-Riley: So I'm telling you nothing new.

01:55:02.340 --> 01:55:04.980

Yvonne Cook-Riley: I am no i'm not enlightening you one bit.

### 1110

01:55:06.960 --> 01:55:12.330

Evan Taylor: I wouldn't. I wouldn't. I wouldn't know I would. I would. I would hazard to for humanly disagree with you.

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01:55:13.650 --> 01:55:16.830

Evan Taylor: I've learned. I've learned the time I've been enjoying this conversation immensely.

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01:55:17.160 --> 01:55:33.480

Evan Taylor: And there is one question, though, that I haven't asked you that I wrote. Towards the end of the interview that I think is important that I do, I do ask you, um, and that's what activist legacy and would you like to leave or would you like to be remembered for that. I definitely don't know

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01:55:38.100 --> 01:55:39.060

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Three fronts.

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01:55:41.550 --> 01:55:42.000

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Okay.

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01:55:43.440 --> 01:55:47.070

Yvonne Cook-Riley: The first I would like to be remembered for a person

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01:55:48.420 --> 01:55:53.550

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Who saw the need or the word transgendered and made it stick

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01:55:58.320 --> 01:55:58.770

Gasket

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01:56:00.060 --> 01:56:03.450

Yvonne Cook-Riley: And looked at a definition.

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01:56:04.560 --> 01:56:06.480

Yvonne Cook-Riley: That was inclusive.

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01:56:09.060 --> 01:56:14.190

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Of anyone who would be questioning their gender.

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01:56:15.630 --> 01:56:16.050

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Issues.

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01:56:17.160 --> 01:56:21.870

Evan Taylor: The gift of that language of discourse to help us understand the weights ourselves into existence.

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01:56:22.980 --> 01:56:24.480

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Right, okay.

1124 01:56:26.430 --> 01:56:30.750 Yvonne Cook-Riley: So the next thing that I

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01:56:31.980 --> 01:56:35.430

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Would be recognized for his teaching

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01:56:36.750 --> 01:56:37.920

Yvonne Cook-Riley: A spiritual

1127 01:56:39.600 --> 01:56:40.170 Yvonne Cook-Riley: Belief.

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01:56:41.820 --> 01:56:44.310

Yvonne Cook-Riley: That in itself is non binary

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01:56:47.250 --> 01:56:50.190

Yvonne Cook-Riley: And recognizing that

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01:56:52.110 --> 01:56:52.950

Yvonne Cook-Riley: We have

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01:56:54.960 --> 01:56:57.420 Yvonne Cook-Riley: Earth wind, water, fire,

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01:56:59.760 --> 01:57:02.820

Yvonne Cook-Riley: And everything is up, my relations.

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01:57:10.620 --> 01:57:13.920

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Okay. The third thing is

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01:57:15.270 --> 01:57:23.160

Yvonne Cook-Riley: That I'm Bob all recognize that love itself is a continuum.

1135 01:57:25.500 --> 01:57:26.040

Yvonne Cook-Riley: And

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01:57:27.150 --> 01:57:28.680

Yvonne Cook-Riley: In that continuum.

01:57:31.470 --> 01:57:34.920

Yvonne Cook-Riley: You have the ability to continuously find

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01:57:36.180 --> 01:57:36.600

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Love.

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01:57:38.760 --> 01:57:41.490

Yvonne Cook-Riley: In many, many different things.

#### 1140

01:57:42.960 --> 01:57:58.350

Yvonne Cook-Riley: It could be the love for yourself to be loved for something else. It could be loved. For an idea could be a lot for money. It can be loved. For possessions or concepts, but the fact that it motivates you to recognize a passion.

## 1141

01:58:00.060 --> 01:58:07.350

Yvonne Cook-Riley: And through a passion, you can bring change to yourself.

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01:58:08.490 --> 01:58:10.590

Yvonne Cook-Riley: And when you bring change to yourself.

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01:58:11.820 --> 01:58:13.230

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Others will see that

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01:58:14.610 --> 01:58:16.440

Yvonne Cook-Riley: And want to follow that path.

### 1145

01:58:20.820 --> 01:58:23.940

Evan Taylor: Thank you very much, very eloquent answer that question.

### 1146

01:58:29.400 --> 01:58:40.800

Evan Taylor: Is there anything that I haven't asked you that at least for the purposes of this recording, you think is important history that we didn't approach or didn't talk about, but he wants to make sure is recorded and preserve

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01:58:44.310 --> 01:58:45.300

Yvonne Cook-Riley: That's good question.

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01:58:46.680 --> 01:58:47.250

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Um,

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01:58:52.710 --> 01:58:59.040

Yvonne Cook-Riley: I think it is time that we have to recognize from a worldview.

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01:59:00.900 --> 01:59:01.620

Yvonne Cook-Riley: That

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01:59:02.820 --> 01:59:06.120

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Our responsibility to our human existence.

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01:59:08.550 --> 01:59:13.560

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Is really in the hands of those who are non binary

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01:59:17.460 --> 01:59:19.680

Yvonne Cook-Riley: But they will never claim it

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01:59:27.120 --> 01:59:31.020

Yvonne Cook-Riley: I am frustrated with those who want to be an artist.

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01:59:34.260 --> 01:59:34.770

Yvonne Cook-Riley: I

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01:59:36.240 --> 01:59:44.790

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Not challenged by them. I'm looking at that they there and their ideas.

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01:59:46.290 --> 01:59:47.610

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Are diversions.

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01:59:48.870 --> 01:59:50.880

Yvonne Cook-Riley: And a waste of time.

### 1159

01:59:52.170 --> 02:00:00.330

Yvonne Cook-Riley: But until you become an elder. You don't see that you see. And again,

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02:00:01.560 --> 02:00:05.460

Yvonne Cook-Riley: When we move from the feminist to we

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02:00:07.710 --> 02:00:15.690

Yvonne Cook-Riley: In our life, our behavior and our doings, and are willing to volunteer to help

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02:00:19.050 --> 02:00:23.280

Yvonne Cook-Riley: The human existence of our environment.

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02:00:24.840 --> 02:00:25.440

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Then

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02:00:26.910 --> 02:00:30.930

Yvonne Cook-Riley: This world will find some way of dealing

02:00:32.310 --> 02:00:35.100

Yvonne Cook-Riley: With the changes that we have no control over.

#### 1166

02:00:37.830 --> 02:00:39.810

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Well, global warming, for example.

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02:00:41.160 --> 02:00:43.200

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Hey, for example.

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02:00:46.170 --> 02:00:46.710

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Anger.

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02:00:49.860 --> 02:00:50.700

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Mental health

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02:00:52.650 --> 02:00:53.340 Yvonne Cook-Riley: human health.

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02:00:55.050 --> 02:00:58.500

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Coming back to the concept that we need to look in

02:00:59.520 --> 02:01:00.720

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Our self esteem.

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02:01:02.190 --> 02:01:03.180

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Our depression.

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02:01:06.030 --> 02:01:07.620

Yvonne Cook-Riley: And way that we want.

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02:01:08.820 --> 02:01:09.510

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Between

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02:01:12.480 --> 02:01:13.620

Yvonne Cook-Riley: The four directions.

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02:01:15.330 --> 02:01:16.740

Yvonne Cook-Riley: When water and fire.

## 1178

02:01:21.660 --> 02:01:24.960

Yvonne Cook-Riley: That's too heavy for you and you're in the wrong job, baby.

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02:01:27.030 --> 02:01:27.630

Evan Taylor: I think it is.

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02:01:28.770 --> 02:01:30.090

Evan Taylor: credibly eloquent way to

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02:01:31.260 --> 02:01:31.680

Evan Taylor: Sum up

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02:01:31.980 --> 02:01:32.250

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Lot, I

1183 02:01:32.400 --> 02:01:35.310 Evan Taylor: Feel like I've heard in this conversation.

1184 02:01:36.450 --> 02:01:36.780

Yvonne Cook-Riley: So,

1185 02:01:37.500 --> 02:01:39.150

Evan Taylor: I like to look for

1186 02:01:40.260 --> 02:01:44.490 Evan Taylor: What I what I call threads that lead through these these conversations around

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02:01:44.490 --> 02:01:47.430

Evan Taylor: That. So I want to check with you and see if I'm

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02:01:47.640 --> 02:01:50.730

Evan Taylor: Trying to tell you the whole the whole story so

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02:01:51.750 --> 02:02:04.170

Evan Taylor: What I'm hearing us these threads from you are the threads of understanding activism as being an inherently relational activity. It is a spiritual activity in its relation ality

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02:02:05.280 --> 02:02:13.530

Evan Taylor: And that's so much of good activism is not the that the anger and the reactivity, but it is more about

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02:02:14.370 --> 02:02:25.170

Evan Taylor: adjusting our worldview from the us versus them either or sort of ideas. Basically, any binary into a more inclusive, we look at the world that is

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02:02:25.560 --> 02:02:30.570

Evan Taylor: That isn't based on on difference, but it's in fact based on the relation ality between people.

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Evan Taylor: Wherever those people come from and certainly understanding that those, those things are never an either or, or a normal and other that they are always at least four directions, perhaps even more, and that the way that we can save

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Evan Taylor: And improve the future is by bringing ourselves responsibility to love each other along, whatever that continuum is that gives us that passion to continue making the world a bit of a better place, not just for ourselves, but for other people as well as part of that that changing worldview.

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Evan Taylor: Is that something

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02:03:08.730 --> 02:03:10.380

Evan Taylor: Philosophically, a lot of what I'm hearing

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02:03:11.730 --> 02:03:13.320

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Yes. Okay.

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02:03:13.740 --> 02:03:14.430

Beautiful.

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02:03:15.990 --> 02:03:22.080

Evan Taylor: Well, I can't thank you enough for this conversation and I i've really just gotten so much out of it, they know not just

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02:03:22.740 --> 02:03:28.080

Evan Taylor: For the project of preserving history, but just also as another trans person sitting here and listening.

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02:03:28.890 --> 02:03:39.210

Evan Taylor: To to the dreams and to the hopes and to what the future, you know, could be could be like in the eyes of somebody who has lived more of a life then then I have, you know, twice over by now.

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Evan Taylor: So I really, I really appreciate that learning and as much as you think you're not teaching me anything i i

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02:03:45.900 --> 02:03:48.870

Evan Taylor: Respectfully will disagree with you on that for the rest of my life.

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#### And

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02:03:52.320 --> 02:03:52.950

Yvonne Cook-Riley: And I would also

02:03:53.730 --> 02:04:01.650

Evan Taylor: If you have anything else that comes up that you think, Oh, I wish I'd said that we can always set up another interview or you can email me and I can add it on

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Evan Taylor: But I want to make sure that you know that that that line of communication open and what I will do for next steps is I will send you the copy of this recording, so you can listen to it.

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02:04:13.590 --> 02:04:20.280

Evan Taylor: I believe I'll be able to get a transcript out of it as well. So I can send you that it'll be very rough and raw, but at least you can, you know, take a look.

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Evan Taylor: And see if there's anything that you kind of second guess yourself on you can let me know and we can cut that out.

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Evan Taylor: But otherwise, if you're quite happy with it then will be deposited this into into the archives and it will be available for forever. Basically, we know that the archives are meant to be a permanent installation.

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Evan Taylor: So on that note, the other piece that I wanted to save you, is we have a little bit of a small thank you package that we send out to folks.

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Evan Taylor: What I'm going to include in there for you as well is we have stickers and these stickers are from the trans archives and you can put them on any box or storage or whatever that you have that you, you know,

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02:04:58.410 --> 02:05:02.310

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Think of something doesn't have the minute it doesn't doesn't have the mid

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02:05:02.880 --> 02:05:04.560

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Heaven doesn't have the mailing address

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Evan Taylor: It has the mailing address and all the contact information for the trans archives. So you can just

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Evan Taylor: put stickers on a box and you know if you got hit by a bus tomorrow, people would know exactly which boxes you wanted to send out

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02:05:16.770 --> 02:05:27.960

Evan Taylor: And because you know they might be things like my old magazines or medical records or something right that other people might think are of no value. But you want to make sure it go so I'll send you a few of those stickers and sounds like you have those clocks is pretty much

02:05:30.270 --> 02:05:43.440

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Well, you were we're fortunate that this TV camera or this camera is not working because you cannot see. Oh, the was people have acknowledged maybe hiring.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: You know that wall of fame kind of thing. Now here, here's something you didn't. You didn't ask me that much about, okay, my education level.

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What do I need to

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Eighth grade.

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Evan Taylor: Just goes to show you

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02:06:13.320 --> 02:06:17.010

Evan Taylor: There's education. And then there's learning right those are completely different things.

02:06:20.010 --> 02:06:20.670

Yvonne Cook-Riley: You

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02:06:21.930 --> 02:06:26.400

Yvonne Cook-Riley: For you, for your information, you can take this out so people don't get the wrong idea.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: I am

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Totally blessed with being severely dyslexic.

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Evan Taylor: What's the barrier to overcome.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: And I've had to develop tools and ways

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: To challenge myself to move

02:06:57.450 --> 02:07:04.050

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Within the academic community within different things to be able to challenge them.

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02:07:05.910 --> 02:07:09.420

Yvonne Cook-Riley: With the extent of an eighth grade education.

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Evan Taylor: Spirituality comes in quite quite to the most efficient tool that you can use.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Well,

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: I

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: I have

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: My inner circle.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Which includes my Native American chief

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Okay, and a Catholic priest

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Evan Taylor: And do you identify identify as Native American any way or is that more of a connection for your inner circle as opposed to a personal identity.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: I will not use I

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Teach day for American spirituality or I have taught new spiritual I teach shamanism okay

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: And I am one firmly believing that this is my path. It's not yours. If you are interested in it or if you want to pursue it, it's up to you to take the initiative to do it.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: It's just like outing.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: When it comes to outing person or a person

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: You are responsible to out yourself.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: If I accidentally

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Not purposely do it.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: And you are upset or angry about it.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Don't get mad at me get better great square

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02:08:51.540 --> 02:08:52.110

Yvonne Cook-Riley: This I'm gonna

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: I'm gonna I'm gonna blame her anyway.

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Evan Taylor: Will you do me

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Evan Taylor: One favor if you're comfortable with it. No problem. If you're not, no pressure and but you said, unfortunately, we couldn't see the wall behind you. If you could

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Evan Taylor: If you'd be so kind, if you could send me a selfie of you with that wall behind you so I can connect this conversation with at least one visual image. I think that would really give them a round out the archive nicely because

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: They're all over the place trophies. There's plaques thing, but the acknowledgement that

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Other people have made.

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02:09:35.730 --> 02:09:36.360

Mm hmm.

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02:09:37.500 --> 02:09:38.640

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Is very humbling.

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02:09:39.720 --> 02:09:42.810 Yvonne Cook-Riley: And I just received one

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Right around

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: The first of the year.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: And I was very humbled by it because it's it works into

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: The idea that

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02:10:06.270 --> 02:10:17.220

Yvonne Cook-Riley: That at certain times there's opportunities for us to do things that nobody really asked us to do. But we're there. Make it happen.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: And then there's others that are that same Virginia prince and I tried a trophy and

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: While the great ones I have on the wall is a picture of my son to myself at Stonewall 25

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Oh, we have the banner holding up the big banner that says we are transgender that we both

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: The

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: My, my son is good. Okay. Okay.

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Evan Taylor: You only have the one

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Once on and one daughter.

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Evan Taylor: And my daughter any grandkids.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: grandkids and seven great grandkids.

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Wow.

1277 02:11:08.490 --> 02:11:09.600 Yvonne Cook-Riley: And they all know

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02:11:12.780 --> 02:11:15.780

Yvonne Cook-Riley: my grandkids and great grandkids.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Term is granted huh

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Yeah, this is my grandma it for granted.

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02:11:25.440 --> 02:11:26.100

Yeah.

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02:11:29.250 --> 02:11:30.630

Yvonne Cook-Riley: As good for rock.

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02:11:33.600 --> 02:11:35.430

Evan Taylor: What a lot of progress, the need for a rock.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Yeah, and

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Just recently, in the last year and a half after 40 years I have two brothers and

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02:11:50.670 --> 02:11:54.210

Yvonne Cook-Riley: This September timber.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: The three of us sat down and had dinner together.

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Evan Taylor: Wow, so you just met them for the first time.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: No, no, we

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: 15 years for one I haven't same

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02:12:16.320 --> 02:12:21.150

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Last Christmas, we got together with my youngest brother and

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: I came up with some silly idea that to help

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: With our relationship. And we went to sleep for four weeks together.

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Evan Taylor: You know,

02:12:35.400 --> 02:12:44.220

Yvonne Cook-Riley: So, and it helped move, move it on my my

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: One my middle brother still insist on calling me my male name.

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02:12:54.960 --> 02:12:55.500 Yvonne Cook-Riley: And

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: I

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: I said, Okay.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Is that what is it my going to do. We're going to put a wall up

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Because his insecurity, or his way of saying whatever he wants to say with it, or am I just going to ignore it and work around it.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: And I decided that I'm just going to ignore and work around it because I

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Don't want to lose.

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02:13:32.820 --> 02:13:34.230

Yvonne Cook-Riley: And have the relationship

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Go back to the way it was that we

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: That for years and years and years. We didn't have any way in a way of communicating

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: You know,

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02:13:51.510 --> 02:14:06.540

Yvonne Cook-Riley: And these kind of things that we put so we try to make so important. Evan back and the time that we're young, and we hold that and say, well, what

02:14:07.890 --> 02:14:13.560

Yvonne Cook-Riley: What if and and if you don't challenge that what if

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: You'll never know.

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02:14:17.310 --> 02:14:18.090

Yvonne Cook-Riley: You never know.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: The possibility and if you lose them. The only really way to lose them is to find their groups.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Right.

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Evan Taylor: And I like that what you're saying about the only way to find to find out the answer.

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Evan Taylor: To what FS to try anyway. And I think that you've done that, not just in your family relationships, but in all of your

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Evan Taylor: Community relationships. It sounds like you've done that in your in your marriage. It sounds like you've done that, you know, like your activism right just you don't know if you don't try

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Yeah, pretty much not know

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: When I was working when I had my heart attack the other day.

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Evan Taylor: Is this October.

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Evan Taylor: Yeah, right.

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02:15:10.680 --> 02:15:11.190

Yvonne Cook-Riley: So,

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: I was really tired in the morning and things like this. And I was running the event I was in charge, pretty much this segment of the event.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: And I was into another segment of the video called security as working with our security team.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: And I was just sitting watching. That's a lot of times what you do is security.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: And

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: I had all the gear on. I had the two way radio right on my my shoulder like you see security people having their little Motorola

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: You know, but they're

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Next thing I know, I was asleep. I was gone.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: I was in La La Land. I was in an altered state of consciousness.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: So, and I knew, and I was comfortable there because I've been there so many times before.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: And

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: I laid on the ground for 20 minutes

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: And

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: When I started coming back into consciousness. I was communicating with people.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: But I was communicating in an altered state of consciousness and other words I did not know what I was saying and things like this. And it was really great to to be able to have that

02:16:44.850 --> 02:16:55.530

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Retrospect of listening and having them listening to me when it wasn't me speaking in a conscious way he was speaking from Spirit so

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: When I came back and I looked up and I said what's that ambulance doing there, and they said was for you.

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02:17:08.790 --> 02:17:11.520

Yvonne Cook-Riley: And I said, okay, and the

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Executive Director of the association. I worked for. She says, and you're going to get it and go to the hospital. They get checked out. I had no idea that I had a 95% blockage in my LCD on my heart.

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Evan Taylor: Oh my goodness.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: So,

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: That was Saturday Monday morning. I had a stent put in. I said, Wow, I should have done this before, because it's great.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Have blood flows coming back. I got that energy back

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02:17:49.890 --> 02:17:51.780

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Nice. Yeah.

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Evan Taylor: Well that's, that's the rule is if somebody calls an ambulance, it doesn't matter why you get in it.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Well, you know, but it's just a little side story of

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Evan Taylor: That I'm glad to hear that you're, you know, at least, to back, to better than you were the day before it happens.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Yes. And, but it again another lesson of life heaven you

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: You, you look at you see how

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: How it could have been

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Could have been gone right.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: I'm still mad at my not gone

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But

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Evan Taylor: Everything in its time in place. The Buddha saying everything happens for a reason.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: So the word Evan.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: My birth name is

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Evan.

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Evan Taylor: No.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Okay.

1360 02:18:56.640 --> 02:18:57.210 Yvonne Cook-Riley: My middle

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: And

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: That's where Yvonne came from.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Because

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: I hadn't

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Evan Taylor: No idea at all.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: So, Evan.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: And

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02:19:13.980 --> 02:19:18.720 Yvonne Cook-Riley: Canada can be why P O n e

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: And so

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: I like I'm a French descent.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: So I was looking for something French spoke to me. And so, Yvonne

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Okay, now I didn't pick it.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: What happened is another story. I don't know if you're recording this or not.

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Evan Taylor: It's all still recording until they turn it off, let me know.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Well, when I

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Was coming out coming to deal with it.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: I was

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: In the process of again having relationships with this person and and

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02:20:12.420 --> 02:20:18.720

Yvonne Cook-Riley: She says, Let me help you with your makeup and things like this. And let me see what you know you really are. If you're passable.

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02:20:20.010 --> 02:20:28.530

Yvonne Cook-Riley: You know races. Everything's there you're, you know, you've got great bone structure good nose, eyes of right

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02:20:32.430 --> 02:20:37.680

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Inside this so we did everything but she wouldn't let me see.

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02:20:39.960 --> 02:20:42.720

Yvonne Cook-Riley: The finished pride and tissue is totally done

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02:20:46.230 --> 02:20:46.710

# And

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02:20:48.060 --> 02:20:51.270

Yvonne Cook-Riley: So after she got totally done

02:20:52.590 --> 02:20:55.350 Yvonne Cook-Riley: \$70 sure from this mirror

### 1386

02:20:57.090 --> 02:21:00.480

Yvonne Cook-Riley: And we were talking about names and things like this.

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02:21:02.100 --> 02:21:06.900

Yvonne Cook-Riley: And her her wisdom said to me, Oh, find out who you are.

### 1388

02:21:08.130 --> 02:21:12.660

Yvonne Cook-Riley: And so she unveiled the mirror. She asked me.

### 1389

02:21:13.680 --> 02:21:14.910

Yvonne Cook-Riley: What do you see in the mirror.

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02:21:17.310 --> 02:21:19.170

Yvonne Cook-Riley: And I asked the mirror, who are you

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02:21:22.290 --> 02:21:24.330

Yvonne Cook-Riley: In the mirror says, I mean on

02:21:27.510 --> 02:21:27.810

lt was

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02:21:30.630 --> 02:21:31.020

Yvonne Cook-Riley: It was it

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02:21:31.110 --> 02:21:33.270

Evan Taylor: A sense that you got or do you actually hear it like that.

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02:21:34.080 --> 02:21:35.100

Yvonne Cook-Riley: I actually heard

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02:21:36.480 --> 02:21:45.390

Yvonne Cook-Riley: So a lot of times, back when I was dealing with people with their self esteem, I would make a suggestion that they go through that process.

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02:21:46.950 --> 02:21:48.420

Yvonne Cook-Riley: If they didn't have a name.

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02:21:49.890 --> 02:21:56.400

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Of helping having somebody help make it up so you don't see yourself until it's all done.

### 02:21:57.600 --> 02:22:03.210

Yvonne Cook-Riley: And then unveil yourself in a mirror and ask, Who are you, um,

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02:22:04.560 --> 02:22:05.970

Evan Taylor: It's beautiful idea.

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02:22:09.120 --> 02:22:09.660

Yvonne Cook-Riley: It works.

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02:22:10.590 --> 02:22:18.690

Evan Taylor: I think it does. I mean, it's also your second question he asked on the hotline. Right. Like, do you have a name for yourself. And if not, let's talk about why that is.

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02:22:19.770 --> 02:22:20.160

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Yeah.

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02:22:23.490 --> 02:22:23.910

Yvonne Cook-Riley: That's

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02:22:25.740 --> 02:22:25.770

Yvonne Cook-Riley: A

02:22:28.830 --> 02:22:30.450

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Side Story.

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02:22:32.250 --> 02:22:41.040

Evan Taylor: Well, I'll tell you a very interesting piece of just took it before we close off. So I got my name as a derivative of my grandmother's name.

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02:22:42.120 --> 02:22:55.320

Evan Taylor: And her stage name was event and she spelled with an E not within the wifey like you are. She spelled differently. And the reason she did that is because she said when she used to spell with the white T T T all everyone always thought she was French

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02:22:56.970 --> 02:22:57.390

Yvonne Cook-Riley: No.

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02:22:58.290 --> 02:23:05.580

Evan Taylor: No, it's such a change. The white one white when he and that's an eye and I direct derived Evan from there.

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02:23:07.050 --> 02:23:07.500

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Well,

02:23:08.820 --> 02:23:10.170

Yvonne Cook-Riley: It was, it was just

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02:23:12.120 --> 02:23:14.550

Yvonne Cook-Riley: When, when you were in communication. I said, well,

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02:23:16.230 --> 02:23:18.450

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Yeah and there's no

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02:23:19.830 --> 02:23:29.820

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Yeah, yeah, you have to look at. You have to look at certain things as we walk this walk that really

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02:23:32.730 --> 02:23:42.450

Yvonne Cook-Riley: As much as we would like to think that we are the architects of everything. Sometimes we're not

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02:23:43.500 --> 02:23:45.900

Absolutely, absolutely.

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02:23:47.190 --> 02:23:52.320

Evan Taylor: Well, last thing I want to leave you with him and say is, of course, my, my own appreciation, but also

02:23:53.280 --> 02:23:58.110

Evan Taylor: I understand the way I look at these projects. This particular work is

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02:23:58.560 --> 02:24:06.240

Evan Taylor: There is, it's an inherently intergenerational piece of work, you're not going to have people in their 70s and 80s interviewing each other about times, they were all there for it.

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02:24:06.690 --> 02:24:12.780

Evan Taylor: Right, it's only going to be folks other generations who are trying to preserve that and and I hope that I can

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02:24:13.380 --> 02:24:22.050

Evan Taylor: Do you do the justice of the incredible work that you've done an all of the lives you have undoubtedly saved through many, many years, and I hope that I can do that.

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02:24:22.350 --> 02:24:27.780

Evan Taylor: The, the work of honoring that history and being able to preserve it. So the generation that comes after me.

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02:24:28.470 --> 02:24:32.610

Evan Taylor: Three generations, perhaps from now has something look back on and be able to see that they

02:24:33.270 --> 02:24:39.960

Evan Taylor: That they they don't come from nowhere, and that they have, as you say, there's a there's a shamanism there's a healing, there's a

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02:24:40.590 --> 02:24:51.990

Evan Taylor: great need for them that's in their DNA that we can't, we can't deny our place in society, as long as we've been able to preserve it. So that's available for other for other generations to to find themselves.

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02:24:52.740 --> 02:25:00.150

Evan Taylor: And so I thank you so much for that contribution, I, I do hope that I've been able to honor some of that history that we can preserve it moving forward.

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02:25:01.350 --> 02:25:02.610

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Thank you and

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02:25:04.530 --> 02:25:14.460

Yvonne Cook-Riley: As you practice or if you want to practice the Two Spirit thing. Remember the concept of seven seven generations.

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02:25:15.990 --> 02:25:18.870

Evan Taylor: seven generations. I gotta noted

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02:25:19.080 --> 02:25:19.380

Okay.

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02:25:20.430 --> 02:25:22.530

Yvonne Cook-Riley: All right, and I will

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02:25:23.670 --> 02:25:26.970

Yvonne Cook-Riley: And if you want to look at

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02:25:28.050 --> 02:25:36.330

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Some also my history. Look at Kenner go ahead and bring up cameras spurs Asheville, North Carolina.

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02:25:37.530 --> 02:25:40.530

Yvonne Cook-Riley: And you will see a symbol.

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02:25:43.590 --> 02:25:48.060

Yvonne Cook-Riley: There, why don't you do it now take a couple more minutes. Let me

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02:25:49.170 --> 02:25:49.560

Know,

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02:26:08.940 --> 02:26:10.530

Evan Taylor: See a whole lot of mailboxes.

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02:26:12.030 --> 02:26:12.540

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Know,

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02:26:14.970 --> 02:26:20.160

Evan Taylor: kindred spirit Asheville Asheville, North Carolina. Yeah.

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02:26:20.940 --> 02:26:21.300 Yeah.

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02:26:31.290 --> 02:26:32.130
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Evan Taylor: I'm getting a

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02:26:33.750 --> 02:26:34.920

Evan Taylor: I'm not seeing anything on Google.

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02:26:37.710 --> 02:26:40.470

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Maybe I haven't given it to you on. Let me look it up.

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02:27:20.880 --> 02:27:22.170

Evan Taylor: Hey, finding the result you were looking for.

02:27:23.190 --> 02:27:24.480

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Know now.

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02:27:32.670 --> 02:27:36.780

Yvonne Cook-Riley: We're getting into dog crew. And yeah, again, the mailboxes.

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02:27:49.920 --> 02:27:50.970 Evan Taylor: Lots of mailboxes.

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02:27:53.040 --> 02:27:54.900

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Well, not

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02:28:05.550 --> 02:28:06.090

Evan Taylor: Looking for

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02:28:09.060 --> 02:28:09.990 Yvonne Cook-Riley: Holly Boswell

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02:28:17.850 --> 02:28:22.140

Evan Taylor: Oh, I think I see it, you can't describe it to me. It's, it's too many. It's too complicated.

02:28:24.630 --> 02:28:25.950

Evan Taylor: It's got a circle around it.

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02:28:27.150 --> 02:28:27.630

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Yeah.

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02:28:28.380 --> 02:28:31.350

Evan Taylor: Yeah, that's the one I saw when I found out when I certainly Boswell

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02:28:38.010 --> 02:28:39.540

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Then color black and white.

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Evan Taylor: It's in color.

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02:28:42.510 --> 02:28:51.840

Evan Taylor: So it has it has the fast forward. The red, yellow, white, brown got like little almost like green and blue on that only I just

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02:28:53.520 --> 02:28:55.500

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Inside the red circle right

02:28:55.890 --> 02:28:57.540

Evan Taylor: Inside the red circle. Yeah. That's the one.

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02:28:58.650 --> 02:28:59.640

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Okay, the red

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02:29:01.320 --> 02:29:02.280

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Is for

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02:29:04.230 --> 02:29:05.460

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Blood or life.

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02:29:06.990 --> 02:29:14.490

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Because life has no beginning or ending is a continuous continuous circle encompassing everything

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02:29:16.080 --> 02:29:16.800

Yvonne Cook-Riley: This is a

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02:29:18.360 --> 02:29:19.200

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Transparent

02:29:21.630 --> 02:29:23.850

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Can or or this is a to spear.

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02:29:24.930 --> 02:29:25.380

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Symbol

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02:29:26.460 --> 02:29:29.190 Yvonne Cook-Riley: All right. Okay. The

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02:29:30.420 --> 02:29:32.400

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Each point

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02:29:33.990 --> 02:29:42.210

Yvonne Cook-Riley: That you see pointing to the middle is support directions course the green part of the

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02:29:44.010 --> 02:30:00.300

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Element represents grandmother or earth. Okay. The point. Remember, other thing represents grandfather or the universe. So if you take and you eliminate the crossbar.

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02:30:01.470 --> 02:30:09.720

Yvonne Cook-Riley: And you just have the arrow and you turn it outside of the circle, you have the sign for masculinity.

02:30:11.340 --> 02:30:23.280

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Right. If you eliminate the arrow. The point and you take that and put it outside the circle. You had to sign for feminine.

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02:30:24.480 --> 02:30:35.400

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Right, yeah. Okay, so the sign is neither masculine or feminine, but represents that that encompasses both

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02:30:37.290 --> 02:30:48.540

Yvonne Cook-Riley: The four directions earthquake water and fire are represented and the different colors of the red man the white man black man and the yellow, man.

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02:30:49.560 --> 02:30:53.940

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Or the many other colors. It can be represented

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02:30:54.960 --> 02:31:01.170

Yvonne Cook-Riley: By that balance. So, it represents in human existence North

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02:31:02.190 --> 02:31:07.650

Yvonne Cook-Riley: South East and West with white being in the north.

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02:31:08.730 --> 02:31:14.490

Yvonne Cook-Riley: And things like this, which represents the calendar which also can represents the seasons.

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02:31:15.510 --> 02:31:18.750

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Okay, so you have

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02:31:20.970 --> 02:31:25.230

Yvonne Cook-Riley: six basic directions the masculine and the feminine.

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02:31:27.330 --> 02:31:36.600

Yvonne Cook-Riley: And whatever it is, there's probably 100 definitions of the colors and how they work within the four directions.

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02:31:38.220 --> 02:31:43.920

Yvonne Cook-Riley: The thing is, so what you don't see is that is made a CB

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02:31:46.890 --> 02:31:48.840

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Or it's in CBS

02:31:48.990 --> 02:31:54.420

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Right and the bead that in the middle.

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02:31:56.190 --> 02:31:58.950

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Is tan, but it different.

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02:32:00.810 --> 02:32:13.410

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Than the rest of the 10 out of 10 represents us are all animals when you turn the skin inside out. It all is

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02:32:15.540 --> 02:32:19.380

Yvonne Cook-Riley: The neutral color of the human being.

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02:32:20.610 --> 02:32:21.720

Yvonne Cook-Riley: But the middle

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02:32:23.520 --> 02:32:25.560

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Is the seventh direction.

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02:32:28.200 --> 02:32:29.760

Yvonne Cook-Riley: And that represents you

02:32:32.970 --> 02:32:43.620

Yvonne Cook-Riley: OK, so the story is an attune spirit world if you stay in the center you and you are balanced.

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02:32:45.360 --> 02:32:48.090

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Between the four directions and everything.

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02:32:50.310 --> 02:32:51.570
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Yvonne Cook-Riley: You are

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02:32:54.780 --> 02:32:58.650

Yvonne Cook-Riley: In that perfect mode of being course.

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02:32:59.850 --> 02:33:01.170

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Ounces the masculine, feminine.

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02:33:01.470 --> 02:33:02.490

Evan Taylor: To me inside, outside

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02:33:02.520 --> 02:33:06.600

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Yes, right. So that assemble to spring.

02:33:07.140 --> 02:33:08.310

Oh, that's beautiful.

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02:33:10.200 --> 02:33:12.210

Evan Taylor: I love that. I've never seen that before.

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02:33:16.680 --> 02:33:23.520

Evan Taylor: You know, and I'm gonna have to splice that into this interview somehow is part of the of the connecting documents. I'm going to have to have that picture in here, of course.

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02:33:24.570 --> 02:33:25.140

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Thank you.

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02:33:25.800 --> 02:33:28.980

Evan Taylor: Definitely get that will get that preserved as part of as part of the archive.

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02:33:29.970 --> 02:33:31.740

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Thank you. Well, I

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02:33:33.030 --> 02:33:34.770

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Know I'm sure though.

02:33:36.060 --> 02:33:39.990

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Too bad way my camera is not working because I can show you.

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02:33:42.690 --> 02:33:43.110

Yvonne Cook-Riley: See

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02:33:44.130 --> 02:33:44.610 Yvonne Cook-Riley: All right.

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02:33:45.660 --> 02:33:50.730

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Let's see if I can give you an idea of what I look like my regalia and go to

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02:33:54.840 --> 02:33:57.030 Yvonne Cook-Riley: Treasure tablet.

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02:33:58.320 --> 02:33:59.340

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Ta BA

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02:34:02.940 --> 02:34:05.160

Yvonne Cook-Riley: notary transgender military

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02:34:11.520 --> 02:34:13.560

Evan Taylor: Military transgender military. Okay.

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02:34:17.550 --> 02:34:18.480

Evan Taylor: Is that just a Google

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02:34:20.700 --> 02:34:22.500

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Veterans try them.

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02:34:29.850 --> 02:34:30.480

See

1520 02:34:37.560 --> 02:34:38.790 Evan Taylor: Nobody can reveal yet.

1521 02:34:40.290 --> 02:34:40.800 Evan Taylor: Well, I do have

1522 02:34:41.190 --> 02:34:41.460 Yvonne Cook-Riley: I do

02:34:42.450 --> 02:34:43.530 Evan Taylor: Have a group picture of you.

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02:34:44.940 --> 02:34:45.420

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Yeah.

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02:34:45.810 --> 02:34:46.170

Evan Taylor: Let me see.

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02:34:47.100 --> 02:34:47.610

Evan Taylor: That bigger

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02:34:49.320 --> 02:34:50.220

Evan Taylor: Oh, there you are. There you

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02:34:51.930 --> 02:34:55.650

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Should be under Rolling Stone magazine.

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02:34:58.410 --> 02:35:00.240

Evan Taylor: This one, this one is, where is it, it's

02:35:01.260 --> 02:35:02.910

Evan Taylor: Under 24 news.

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02:35:06.660 --> 02:35:07.290

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Should be

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02:35:08.700 --> 02:35:09.900 Yvonne Cook-Riley: Might be a reprint picture.

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02:35:15.630 --> 02:35:17.460 Yvonne Cook-Riley: See the images. Yeah.

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02:35:18.450 --> 02:35:23.940

Evan Taylor: Yes, the same picture from rolling stone. So it's the, the two trans guys in the front.

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02:35:25.290 --> 02:35:25.680

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Yeah.

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02:35:26.010 --> 02:35:32.430

Evan Taylor: And then for an for looks like a for I'm assuming MTF spectrum folks in the back.

02:35:33.510 --> 02:35:35.910

Evan Taylor: Yeah yeah yeah you're right, it's a Rolling Stone.

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02:35:37.530 --> 02:35:42.900

Yvonne Cook-Riley: So if you want to explore the military. The first guy end up front is

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02:35:44.190 --> 02:35:46.350

Yvonne Cook-Riley: A major is Evan.

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02:35:48.270 --> 02:35:52.260

Yvonne Cook-Riley: And Evan a youngster. Yeah, and

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02:35:54.390 --> 02:35:56.070 Yvonne Cook-Riley: They like you and

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02:35:57.090 --> 02:36:04.110

Yvonne Cook-Riley: And then, but the thing is that what I am wearing and picture is part of my regalia

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02:36:05.580 --> 02:36:07.560

Evan Taylor: Oh, I can see the sunshine hadn't even noticed it.

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02:36:11.310 --> 02:36:12.240

Evan Taylor: was beautiful.

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02:36:12.840 --> 02:36:17.760

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Night and that came from when we were laying the reef at the Tomb of the Unknown.

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02:36:20.850 --> 02:36:21.660

Right.

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02:36:24.870 --> 02:36:26.790

Evan Taylor: And this was, oh, this was just two years ago.

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02:36:27.840 --> 02:36:29.940

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Yeah, well, I'm still out there.

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02:36:31.680 --> 02:36:33.210

Evan Taylor: Still doing great work.

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02:36:35.310 --> 02:36:35.790

Yvonne Cook-Riley: No.

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02:36:35.940 --> 02:36:38.250

Yvonne Cook-Riley: We didn't even get into that element of buying

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02:36:41.430 --> 02:36:42.540

Yvonne Cook-Riley: My history.

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02:36:45.600 --> 02:36:50.460

Evan Taylor: Are there any important stories that I needed to make sure I'm recording before we, before we go today. I don't want to miss anything.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: We don't have all night.

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02:36:54.450 --> 02:37:05.700

Evan Taylor: Okay, well, I'll let you go. And if you want to think about some specific stories that you want to make sure that we get on recording, we can actually do another one. These are into February.

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02:37:06.510 --> 02:37:17.520

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Well, Evan, if there are some buddy else that you want to chase down that you think could add to whatever part of the

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02:37:18.540 --> 02:37:22.050

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Research you're looking at if you're looking at a certain time.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: And

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02:37:27.330 --> 02:37:29.730

Yvonne Cook-Riley: You are looking for reference.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: I there's strong people that were involved.

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02:37:38.520 --> 02:37:39.510

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Back in me.

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02:37:41.430 --> 02:37:43.080

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Back in the 80s.

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02:37:44.550 --> 02:37:51.810

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Like pillows fry. I don't know if you're working on. Phyllis is history. But she should be a part of it.

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02:37:52.980 --> 02:37:57.180

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Jane fee, that's f g

02:37:58.350 --> 02:38:23.490

Yvonne Cook-Riley: She was part of the first initiative in Minnesota that put the word transgendered into law in the state of Minnesota pillows pride of course started the transgendered law conference and Houston, Texas and has a full archival history of that it's available for download.

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02:38:30.780 --> 02:38:33.480

Yvonne Cook-Riley: People I Leo.

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02:38:35.250 --> 02:38:36.660

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Naomi all once

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02:38:39.270 --> 02:38:45.300

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Was see Chicago leader of the triad is movement now deceased.

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02:38:47.130 --> 02:38:48.990

Yvonne Cook-Riley: But her her

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02:38:50.130 --> 02:38:50.640

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Kind of

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02:38:53.040 --> 02:39:02.520

Yvonne Cook-Riley: running mate and things like this is called Eve Arshad. And she is alive and well in Florida and

02:39:04.680 --> 02:39:08.370

Yvonne Cook-Riley: I do not know. It's German shot.

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02:39:11.400 --> 02:39:16.920

Yvonne Cook-Riley: But if you would be interested in talking to her, I'd give you some contact information.

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02:39:18.960 --> 02:39:20.010

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Her story.

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02:39:21.720 --> 02:39:23.760

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Is she's a German descent.

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02:39:25.020 --> 02:39:28.950

Yvonne Cook-Riley: And she was a

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02:39:30.210 --> 02:39:31.080

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Player

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02:39:32.310 --> 02:39:37.020

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Soccer player and was on the world cup chain.

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Yvonne Cook-Riley: Germany when they won the soccer tournament. Oh.

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02:39:43.980 --> 02:39:48.660

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Yeah, right. Yeah. She's an interesting, interesting person.

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02:39:52.530 --> 02:40:05.910

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Was a back in the day was across pressure, but now living full time yet has to come up to her daughter or dealing dealing with back but she's in her 80s.

### 1582

02:40:08.910 --> 02:40:15.990

Yvonne Cook-Riley: You know it and I'm trying to think if you just take the list of

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02:40:17.610 --> 02:40:18.420

Yvonne Cook-Riley: The

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02:40:19.650 --> 02:40:23.760

Yvonne Cook-Riley: People who have received event genuine principle, where there's only 21 of them.

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02:40:28.200 --> 02:40:30.300

Yvonne Cook-Riley: And you look down that list.

02:40:34.470 --> 02:40:36.690

Yvonne Cook-Riley: You will find that

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02:40:38.730 --> 02:40:43.650

Yvonne Cook-Riley: These are the real architects of the transgender movement today.

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02:40:44.580 --> 02:40:46.110

Evan Taylor: That is a brilliant idea.

### 1589

02:40:46.140 --> 02:40:48.060

Evan Taylor: I am actually going to get on that first thing

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02:40:49.200 --> 02:40:49.770 Brilliant.

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02:40:51.240 --> 02:40:51.660

Yvonne Cook-Riley: You know,

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02:40:52.950 --> 02:40:54.390

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Because they all

02:40:55.980 --> 02:40:57.480

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Have not only

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02:40:59.040 --> 02:41:11.280

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Had a impact on the world, but they're, they're all have just deserve some credit for the community and laying down

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02:41:13.530 --> 02:41:19.110

Yvonne Cook-Riley: The foundation for what the treasure and community today is based on right

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02:41:19.200 --> 02:41:22.140

Evan Taylor: And they've all been recognized by their community for having done that, so

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02:41:23.010 --> 02:41:29.670

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Well, not all of them have they were for the junior Prince award. But as we got more more down the road.

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02:41:31.560 --> 02:41:32.820

Yvonne Cook-Riley: In 20

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02:41:33.960 --> 02:41:34.560

Yvonne Cook-Riley: People

02:41:36.330 --> 02:41:37.800

Yvonne Cook-Riley: We ran a good candidate.

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02:41:38.640 --> 02:41:40.890

Evan Taylor: Okay, so let's start with you. Give me the list.

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02:41:42.360 --> 02:41:47.430

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Well, some of whom are dead, but you can

#### 1603

02:41:48.480 --> 02:41:50.580

Evan Taylor: That's a great idea. Thank you so much.

1604

02:41:52.140 --> 02:41:53.100

Evan Taylor: Definitely going to do that.

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02:41:58.590 --> 02:42:04.530

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Yeah, it depends upon what what piece of the pie you want if you want that segment.

#### 1606

02:42:05.760 --> 02:42:22.350

Yvonne Cook-Riley: From 1979 when he came to 1995 or or to the 2000

02:42:24.240 --> 02:42:24.840

Yvonne Cook-Riley: And

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02:42:26.220 --> 02:42:27.210

Yvonne Cook-Riley: That would cover.

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02:42:28.590 --> 02:42:31.920 Yvonne Cook-Riley: First one was in 1987 okay

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02:42:33.480 --> 02:42:36.870

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Virginia principle that was one by Virginia Prince was dead.

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02:42:38.940 --> 02:42:39.570

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Then

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02:42:43.590 --> 02:42:49.770

Yvonne Cook-Riley: I don't have contact for all these people. Okay, I know where to go find it.

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02:42:50.760 --> 02:42:52.650

Evan Taylor: Well, I'll see. I'll go down the list and

02:42:52.680 --> 02:43:03.300

Evan Taylor: And see, obviously, Aaron has a lot of contacts and those folks as well. So I'll go and see who we need and then I'll probably get in touch with you and see if I can pick your brain for an email address or something.

### 1615

02:43:04.740 --> 02:43:13.020

Evan Taylor: But that's, that's a really good idea, basically, for me, the priority is the older we can get folks, the better because they don't want you know

### 1616

02:43:13.410 --> 02:43:23.280

Evan Taylor: Some of the folks who around doing work in the in the 80s and 90s may still have a lot of life left. But some of the folks are doing work before that we want to get before people, you know, lose their capacity to to tell

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02:43:24.960 --> 02:43:28.140

Yvonne Cook-Riley: For sure. A Bashar. It is one of those people that were

### 1618

02:43:30.270 --> 02:43:32.820

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Still alive and well, lives in Florida.

#### 1619

02:43:35.850 --> 02:43:46.290

Yvonne Cook-Riley: That's good. And Jane fee, who is alive and well. That also lives in Florida is just a sound good sound bite.

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02:43:49.980 --> 02:43:50.400

Yvonne Cook-Riley: And

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02:43:52.140 --> 02:43:53.190

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Trying to think

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02:44:03.390 --> 02:44:07.380

Yvonne Cook-Riley: There's some people that are on the preliminary right

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02:44:08.610 --> 02:44:09.060

Yvonne Cook-Riley: And

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02:44:10.770 --> 02:44:17.850

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Without a doubt, Dr. Sheila Kirk or Robert Priori is a male name.

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02:44:19.680 --> 02:44:21.690

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Last I would be

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02:44:23.190 --> 02:44:26.970

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Me able to contact through email because they were such great but

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02:44:28.410 --> 02:44:30.390

Yvonne Cook-Riley: For the last 3040 years

### 02:44:36.870 --> 02:44:40.650

Evan Taylor: You mind if I do you mind if I use your name and say that you had even suggested these folks.

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## 02:44:41.700 --> 02:44:47.760

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Oh no. Sure. Yeah. What can they do to make it worse. And you can do it, me and show me.

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02:44:48.960 --> 02:44:57.720

Evan Taylor: Exactly. But it's always nice people tend to respond, a little bit more when they know that someone else's suggested them. So it's always nice be able to let them know how I got there.

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02:45:00.390 --> 02:45:01.290

Yvonne Cook-Riley: You go forward.

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02:45:02.280 --> 02:45:08.520

Evan Taylor: I certainly will, and I will be in touch with you. I will send you the copy of these of this this conversation and

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02:45:08.880 --> 02:45:18.300

Evan Taylor: Certainly if if there's any photos or anything that you would like to take those documents in get to see the camera wasn't working. I am happy to take those in by email and attach them to the interview.

02:45:19.380 --> 02:45:22.350

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Well, I'm sorry that the way

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02:45:23.430 --> 02:45:28.410

Yvonne Cook-Riley: You should. I'm on Google, you should find

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02:45:30.270 --> 02:45:32.400

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Tremendous amount of photographs of me.

#### 1637

02:45:34.410 --> 02:45:36.210

Yvonne Cook-Riley: You know I never

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02:45:36.690 --> 02:45:38.970

Evan Taylor: Make I'll make sure that at least a visual representation

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02:45:39.300 --> 02:45:44.370

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Okay and and also add to that list, Marissa petty Ellen.

#### 1640

02:45:45.870 --> 02:45:47.580

Yvonne Cook-Riley: But she's already in the archives

02:45:50.160 --> 02:45:50.760

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Okay.

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02:45:52.200 --> 02:46:00.780

Yvonne Cook-Riley: She's, she's been out to Canada. She's spoken Canada so. She has her own thing out there.

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02:46:03.630 --> 02:46:03.900

But

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02:46:05.040 --> 02:46:06.360

Yvonne Cook-Riley: She ties.

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02:46:09.600 --> 02:46:11.580

Yvonne Cook-Riley: The lead Brewster

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02:46:13.290 --> 02:46:15.720

Yvonne Cook-Riley: String from Mardi Gras.

## 1647

02:46:17.850 --> 02:46:20.490

Yvonne Cook-Riley: And to drag magazine.

02:46:21.990 --> 02:46:23.130

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Back at that time.

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02:46:24.420 --> 02:46:26.670

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Bringing into the

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02:46:28.260 --> 02:46:28.800 Yvonne Cook-Riley: Post

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02:46:30.450 --> 02:46:31.590

Yvonne Cook-Riley: HIV period.

1652 02:46:36.480 --> 02:46:38.670 Yvonne Cook-Riley: I don't know if she talks about it or not.

1653 02:46:39.870 --> 02:46:41.250 Yvonne Cook-Riley: But she

1654 02:46:43.890 --> 02:46:44.610

Yvonne Cook-Riley: She has

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02:46:46.200 --> 02:46:58.410

Yvonne Cook-Riley: She just lost so many friends, it should be their name should be found some place in the writing to to be able to not everybody is a barn cook Riley.

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02:46:59.970 --> 02:47:02.100

Yvonne Cook-Riley: And somebody web pages.

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02:47:03.420 --> 02:47:06.180

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Just like you can hide right

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02:47:08.430 --> 02:47:16.050

Evan Taylor: Well, I will definitely check into chatted with Marissa, to see if I can get, get some some her history as well. It's a great idea and

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02:47:16.980 --> 02:47:20.910

Yvonne Cook-Riley: I DON'T YOU DO NOT HAVE HER IN THE R Covey, I know that she's

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02:47:21.570 --> 02:47:23.760

Evan Taylor: Got lots of food. Lots of her stuff in the archives already

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02:47:25.200 --> 02:47:25.980

Evan Taylor: Probably not.

02:47:28.770 --> 02:47:33.840

Evan Taylor: So you probably have lots of her work in the archives, but not an oral history. So it's worth checking

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02:47:34.950 --> 02:47:35.400

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Yeah.

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02:47:38.250 --> 02:47:39.240

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Her husband.

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02:47:41.850 --> 02:47:44.460

Yvonne Cook-Riley: It was bisexual and database.

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02:47:45.060 --> 02:47:46.350

Evan Taylor: Oh, I see.

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02:47:50.100 --> 02:47:53.520

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Okay, just a little something. I don't know if you could

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02:47:54.600 --> 02:47:59.730

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Get that out of her where she's wanting to talk about it, basically.

02:48:01.620 --> 02:48:02.940

Yvonne Cook-Riley: That's one of those little things.

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02:48:04.920 --> 02:48:05.190

Yvonne Cook-Riley: That

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02:48:05.610 --> 02:48:11.370

Evan Taylor: Yeah, yeah. One of the things you try, try and get people to talk about. But, you know, at least she's on she's on the list. So

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02:48:12.390 --> 02:48:12.900

Evan Taylor: We'll see what I

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02:48:14.430 --> 02:48:17.100

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Do. I'm just trying to give you some of the older people that

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02:48:18.150 --> 02:48:18.450

Yvonne Cook-Riley: That

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02:48:20.070 --> 02:48:23.190

Yvonne Cook-Riley: And again, looking at how did we communicate

02:48:24.240 --> 02:48:27.720

Yvonne Cook-Riley: And find community in the

1677

02:48:28.980 --> 02:48:32.040

Yvonne Cook-Riley: 60s, 70s and 80s before the web.

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02:48:32.610 --> 02:48:37.980

Yvonne Cook-Riley: And so you know that I have G always had the web.

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02:48:38.760 --> 02:48:40.560

Evan Taylor: Right by the time that came around

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02:48:41.160 --> 02:48:41.670 Know,

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02:48:43.170 --> 02:48:48.810

Yvonne Cook-Riley: When we open up the office in Boston. We had a military modem.

1682 02:48:50.490 --> 02:48:53.130

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Is tied us in to our

1683

02:48:55.530 --> 02:49:04.230

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Our computer person in Alabama. That was working in Bell Labs rebel lab tours.

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02:49:05.280 --> 02:49:05.430

Yvonne Cook-Riley: And

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02:49:07.950 --> 02:49:08.790

Evan Taylor: What year was that

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02:49:10.140 --> 02:49:11.460

Yvonne Cook-Riley: 1980

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02:49:12.210 --> 02:49:12.750

Okay.

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02:49:14.550 --> 02:49:19.260

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Okay. And so when I had trouble with my computer.

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02:49:20.400 --> 02:49:20.880

Yvonne Cook-Riley: I would

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02:49:21.930 --> 02:49:36.540

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Call her down and bring out and she would come on, she would tap into my computer, like we are right and she would drive and go into the software and

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02:49:37.680 --> 02:49:39.360

Yvonne Cook-Riley: This was in 1988

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02:49:39.750 --> 02:49:40.860

Evan Taylor: Oh my goodness.

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02:49:41.550 --> 02:49:48.240

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Okay, before the web, when the web was military and academic

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02:49:51.090 --> 02:49:51.570

Evan Taylor: People

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02:49:52.710 --> 02:49:53.160

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Yes.

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02:49:54.690 --> 02:49:58.890

Yvonne Cook-Riley: There's another interesting person back in that time, as I think about

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02:50:01.470 --> 02:50:05.160

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Alan Wong, wha in G.

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02:50:07.740 --> 02:50:10.560

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Who is transgendered who

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02:50:12.510 --> 02:50:13.710

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Was the

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02:50:15.840 --> 02:50:18.150

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Engineer inventor of

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02:50:19.500 --> 02:50:22.020

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Silicone storage. Okay.

1702

02:50:23.040 --> 02:50:23.520

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Okay.

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02:50:26.190 --> 02:50:30.000

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Who was messing around at that time.

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02:50:31.500 --> 02:50:35.340

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Her her PICTURE WAS ON TIME MAGAZINE, OR SOMETHING.

02:50:36.960 --> 02:50:41.190

Yvonne Cook-Riley: One of the big things when she was a transgender person.

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02:50:44.070 --> 02:50:44.940

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Should be hard.

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02:50:46.320 --> 02:50:46.860

Yvonne Cook-Riley: I don't know.

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02:50:48.450 --> 02:50:48.900

Yvonne Cook-Riley: But

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02:50:54.450 --> 02:50:57.330

Evan Taylor: Should be should be recognized for the contributions yet anyway.

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02:50:57.360 --> 02:51:03.360

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Well, you know, she used to go to Fantasia fair and thorough one hell of a good party tool.

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02:51:05.010 --> 02:51:05.280

Evan Taylor: She was

02:51:05.490 --> 02:51:06.990

Evan Taylor: She was part of that scene at that time.

# 1713

02:51:08.010 --> 02:51:08.520

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Yes.

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02:51:08.670 --> 02:51:09.060

Right.

# 1715

02:51:10.410 --> 02:51:13.290

Evan Taylor: Okay, Alan Wong. Got it.

## 1716

02:51:16.020 --> 02:51:23.280

Evan Taylor: Thank you so much. I really appreciate the name, nice to have an idea folks as well, but some of them are on my list and some of them are not. So it's really helpful.

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02:51:24.390 --> 02:51:27.150

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Well and and

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02:51:35.430 --> 02:51:35.910

Yvonne Cook-Riley: You know,

02:51:41.550 --> 02:51:41.970

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Oh,

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02:51:44.820 --> 02:51:45.360

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Wendy

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02:51:47.970 --> 02:51:48.630

Hello.

### 1722

02:51:52.200 --> 02:51:53.430

Yvonne Cook-Riley: How do I spell her name.

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02:52:29.340 --> 02:52:29.970

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Number.

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02:52:31.980 --> 02:53:00.510

Yvonne Cook-Riley: 62620890815 as again 602600815 she was the chairman of the board of i, f, g from 1988

# 1725

02:53:01.620 --> 02:53:05.220

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Through 1991 okay

02:53:06.360 --> 02:53:06.810

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Okay.

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02:53:08.520 --> 02:53:12.870

Yvonne Cook-Riley: She was an engineer with Motorola and

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02:53:14.940 --> 02:53:16.830

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Made a lot of things happen back

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02:53:18.840 --> 02:53:19.230

In

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02:53:20.430 --> 02:53:22.350

Yvonne Cook-Riley: The day. Awesome.

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02:53:29.460 --> 02:53:32.010

Evan Taylor: Really fantastic and that's when Wendy

1732

02:53:32.910 --> 02:53:34.890

Evan Taylor: Hello cow. Gotcha.

02:53:35.970 --> 02:53:36.420

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Okay.

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02:53:40.620 --> 02:53:44.130

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Yeah, she definitely would have some stories for you.

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02:53:47.400 --> 02:53:49.230

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Because she was there.

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02:53:59.430 --> 02:54:00.840

Yvonne Cook-Riley: She, she

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02:54:02.010 --> 02:54:04.200

Yvonne Cook-Riley: transitioned fully

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02:54:05.790 --> 02:54:07.530

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Married to try and share person.

### 1739

02:54:09.780 --> 02:54:11.220

Yvonne Cook-Riley: And they're still married today.

02:54:12.120 --> 02:54:13.080

Evan Taylor: Well, that's another way

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02:54:16.560 --> 02:54:16.980

That

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02:54:21.210 --> 02:54:21.750

Yvonne Cook-Riley: She

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02:54:23.820 --> 02:54:44.220

Yvonne Cook-Riley: She, she does things. Another person that look at if you want to, that's not been bubbling up to the top of the of the thing. Emily II. Am I L y. Mm hmm. Singleton SI and she

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02:54:45.720 --> 02:54:56.610

Yvonne Cook-Riley: L EA t o n. Yeah. And she ran a support group in Indianapolis, Indiana for 20 years

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02:54:58.380 --> 02:54:59.760

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Started back

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02:55:01.410 --> 02:55:02.100

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Also

02:55:03.360 --> 02:55:05.700

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Before I first convention.

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02:55:08.370 --> 02:55:17.340

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Her her mobile number is 131751789 for

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02:55:18.390 --> 02:55:19.500

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Enough. Okay.

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02:55:21.180 --> 02:55:23.460

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Looking at my phone book, trying to find out.

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02:55:25.980 --> 02:55:30.510

Yvonne Cook-Riley: You know, a, you know, the these people have

1752 02:55:33.750 --> 02:55:34.410 Yvonne Cook-Riley: Taken

1753 02:55:35.640 --> 02:55:36.300

Yvonne Cook-Riley: And

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02:55:38.520 --> 02:55:46.350

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Are looking at you, digging down just a little bit into into the community.

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02:55:50.220 --> 02:55:51.780

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Jim shady

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02:55:55.020 --> 02:55:59.070

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Okay, who goes by Angela right feather.

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02:56:02.370 --> 02:56:10.020

Yvonne Cook-Riley: And lives in Raleigh, North Carolina, and is involved, and was one of the cofounders of Tampa.

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02:56:13.560 --> 02:56:15.060

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Try and share it American bit

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02:56:17.070 --> 02:56:25.530

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Or telephone number is 919-291-3512

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02:56:26.760 --> 02:56:33.090

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Again she was a co founder of the transgendered American events with the

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02:56:35.040 --> 02:56:35.730

Yvonne Cook-Riley: crazy girl.

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02:56:43.980 --> 02:56:50.760

Yvonne Cook-Riley: But again, these are senior people that that are in their mid 70s.

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02:56:52.110 --> 02:56:52.470

Yvonne Cook-Riley: That

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02:56:53.670 --> 02:56:55.440

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Are we're going to lose some.

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02:56:58.650 --> 02:56:59.310

Evan Taylor: My priority.

1766 02:57:01.410 --> 02:57:01.890 Yvonne Cook-Riley: You know,

1767 02:57:06.690 --> 02:57:07.680

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Here's another name.

1768

02:57:11.730 --> 02:57:13.080

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Christina young

02:57:14.700 --> 02:57:15.900

Yvonne Cook-Riley: She's in her 80s.

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02:57:19.980 --> 02:57:29.520

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Her telephone number is area code 762675558

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02:57:31.170 --> 02:57:32.760

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Now if you look in tapestry.

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02:57:35.490 --> 02:57:40.800

Yvonne Cook-Riley: You will find her story, but she was one of the few post ops.

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02:57:42.510 --> 02:57:44.550

Yvonne Cook-Riley: That stuck around to teach

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02:57:47.040 --> 02:57:47.700

Yvonne Cook-Riley: In the

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02:57:50.130 --> 02:58:00.990

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Late 80s and early 90s and she is to run a program a transsexual track and I have G convention.

02:58:06.960 --> 02:58:07.560

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Again,

1777

02:58:09.990 --> 02:58:10.440

Yvonne Cook-Riley: You know,

1778

02:58:11.670 --> 02:58:18.030

Yvonne Cook-Riley: I don't know how long these people are going to be around, but they're not going to be alone that long. I'm going down my

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02:58:22.350 --> 02:58:24.630

Yvonne Cook-Riley: My telephone list and and looking and

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02:58:27.000 --> 02:58:27.600

Seeing

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02:58:28.620 --> 02:58:33.690

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Kind of let me give you each telephone number. If I did not

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02:58:35.220 --> 02:58:38.130

Evan Taylor: Let me see if you did, you may or may not know you didn't get your phone number.

02:58:40.200 --> 02:58:45.960

Yvonne Cook-Riley: 360450

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02:58:47.100 --> 02:58:47.520

Yep.

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02:58:49.140 --> 02:58:50.910

Yvonne Cook-Riley: 8150

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02:58:52.770 --> 02:58:53.340

Evan Taylor: Got it.

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02:58:54.480 --> 02:58:58.470

Evan Taylor: That's a good shot. Yes. Yes. Perfect. Got it.

1788

02:58:59.970 --> 02:59:04.140

Yvonne Cook-Riley: And I think it's be you c h er t

1789

02:59:07.590 --> 02:59:10.020

Yvonne Cook-Riley: But that's not her. That's not our legal name.

02:59:10.410 --> 02:59:14.460

Evan Taylor: Right I seen that before. So I think that's probably I've seen that in the archive somewhere.

1791

02:59:15.810 --> 02:59:16.020 Yeah.

1792 02:59:19.020 --> 02:59:19.890 Perfect.

1793

02:59:22.200 --> 02:59:23.550

Evan Taylor: Anything else on the telephone list.

1794

02:59:25.200 --> 02:59:28.350

Yvonne Cook-Riley: I'm moving down through saying

1795

02:59:30.120 --> 02:59:38.040

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Well, I'm filtering these because I'm only giving you names that were permanent back in the

1796

02:59:39.780 --> 02:59:40.620

Yvonne Cook-Riley: In the 80s.

02:59:42.810 --> 02:59:46.350

Evan Taylor: You don't need any of the young activists were looking for the elders right now.

1798

02:59:56.550 --> 02:59:58.800

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Get all the young actors you want right

1799

02:59:59.250 --> 03:00:02.730

Evan Taylor: Exactly the same time they can they can talk to people to later on.

#### 1800

03:00:47.550 --> 03:00:55.050

Yvonne Cook-Riley: When I when I came to to live here in Nashville, they did not have a pride.

1801

03:00:56.820 --> 03:01:03.840

Yvonne Cook-Riley: And two lesbians want to make a pride happen. They had very little event experience.

1802

03:01:04.890 --> 03:01:10.140

Yvonne Cook-Riley: So I teamed up with them and help establish pride and

1803

03:01:11.250 --> 03:01:15.090

Yvonne Cook-Riley: in Asheville, North Carolina 12 years ago.

03:01:17.160 --> 03:01:18.480

Evan Taylor: That's very recent, isn't it.

1805

03:01:19.770 --> 03:01:21.210

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Yeah, part of history.

1806

03:01:23.970 --> 03:01:25.410

In many, many ways.

## 1807

03:01:32.670 --> 03:01:36.240

Yvonne Cook-Riley: I think I deleted are pretty much

1808

03:01:38.520 --> 03:01:45.120

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Again, going down to the awards, if you just follow the awards to who got the awards.

1809

03:01:46.050 --> 03:01:46.560

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Yeah, just a

1810

03:01:48.180 --> 03:01:48.660

Evan Taylor: Lot of

03:02:07.650 --> 03:02:10.500

Yvonne Cook-Riley: I wish I record more my discussion.

#### 1812

03:02:11.670 --> 03:02:13.470

Yvonne Cook-Riley: around the office with Marissa

1813

03:02:15.750 --> 03:02:16.890 Yvonne Cook-Riley: Again she was

1814

03:02:17.970 --> 03:02:19.110 Yvonne Cook-Riley: very conservative

1815

03:02:22.350 --> 03:02:23.370

Yvonne Cook-Riley: And doing things

1816

03:02:27.690 --> 03:02:28.200

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Oh,

# 1817

03:02:31.530 --> 03:02:33.750

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Put Nancy. Nancy Roni on this.

1818

03:02:34.170 --> 03:02:34.560 Yeah.

1819

03:02:37.110 --> 03:02:37.740

Evan Taylor: I do

1820 03:02:40.830 --> 03:02:41.490

Yvonne Cook-Riley: She was

1821

03:02:42.750 --> 03:02:47.220

Yvonne Cook-Riley: So involved in kindred spirits. She's a good show me.

1822 03:02:51.330 --> 03:02:51.840 Yvonne Cook-Riley: Know,

1823 03:03:12.030 --> 03:03:12.540 Yvonne Cook-Riley: Why

1824

03:03:15.120 --> 03:03:18.330

Yvonne Cook-Riley: It happened to me. Let me, let me get out of here.

1825

03:03:20.040 --> 03:03:21.510

Evan Taylor: I feel like he's still got a couple more useful.

1826

03:03:21.510 --> 03:03:22.650

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Things to do so.

1827

03:03:24.600 --> 03:03:26.310

Yvonne Cook-Riley: People keep on telling me.

1828

03:03:29.040 --> 03:03:30.810

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Would be nice if you send me a list.

1829

03:03:32.700 --> 03:03:33.510

Evan Taylor: I know what I'm doing.

1830

03:03:35.850 --> 03:03:36.360

Yvonne Cook-Riley: You know,

1831

03:03:38.640 --> 03:03:44.280

Evan Taylor: I think it's I think it's the on behalf of people in a different generation of you who don't want to let that go.

1832

03:03:46.140 --> 03:03:46.560

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Well,

1833

03:03:46.620 --> 03:03:48.000

Evan Taylor: He we don't see the gains that people

### 1834

03:03:48.000 --> 03:03:49.380

Evan Taylor: Make you have made. And so you can go

1835

03:03:57.630 --> 03:03:58.320

Yvonne Cook-Riley: You know,

1836

03:04:01.020 --> 03:04:03.150

Yvonne Cook-Riley: I have G office.

1837

03:04:05.070 --> 03:04:06.930

Yvonne Cook-Riley: And to retirees.

1838

03:04:08.100 --> 03:04:08.580

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Who

1839

03:04:10.410 --> 03:04:15.300

Yvonne Cook-Riley: One was like a cherry and the other one took care of a lot of the accounting

03:04:16.680 --> 03:04:19.230

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Both MIT graduates.

1841

03:04:21.720 --> 03:04:26.280

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Both engineers. We had so many engineers.

1842

03:04:28.950 --> 03:04:31.620

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Coming forward and offering their time.

1843

03:04:33.060 --> 03:04:33.600

Yvonne Cook-Riley: It was

1844

03:04:36.330 --> 03:04:39.480

Yvonne Cook-Riley: You know, what do you do, I'm an engineer. Okay, but

1845 03:04:41.460 --> 03:04:41.970 Yvonne Cook-Riley: Why

1846

03:04:44.520 --> 03:04:48.480

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Aren't our di special because I'm an engineer, Mrs ship.

03:04:52.380 --> 03:04:53.850

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Good. Get in line.

1848

03:05:01.980 --> 03:05:03.480

Yvonne Cook-Riley: I'm going through my album.

# 1849

03:05:05.190 --> 03:05:11.400

Yvonne Cook-Riley: My photograph over the years back then 1988 just trying to see

#### 1850

03:05:16.050 --> 03:05:16.740

No.

1851

03:05:28.920 --> 03:05:30.840

Yvonne Cook-Riley: wonder whatever happened to that person.

1852

03:05:35.520 --> 03:05:37.980

Yvonne Cook-Riley: I do have a couple of pictures of Christine Jorgensen,

# 1853

03:05:39.570 --> 03:05:40.950

Wow, cool.

1854

03:05:49.380 --> 03:05:51.990

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Okay, let me throw one more name out at you.

1855

03:05:52.440 --> 03:05:53.130

Anymore.

1856 03:05:54.570 --> 03:05:56.130 Yvonne Cook-Riley: Waylon the card.

1857

03:05:57.450 --> 03:05:58.140

Evan Taylor: Wayland

1858 03:05:59.280 --> 03:06:01.500 Yvonne Cook-Riley: Waylon the card.

03:06:01.800 --> 03:06:02.370

Card.

1859

1860 03:06:04.020 --> 03:06:07.860

Yvonne Cook-Riley: And her family name is Windy

1861

03:06:09.900 --> 03:06:10.290

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Are

1862

03:06:19.530 --> 03:06:20.040

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Yeah.

1863

03:06:22.200 --> 03:06:23.520 Yvonne Cook-Riley: Maybe not because

1864

03:06:25.830 --> 03:06:26.580

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Wendy

1865

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03:06:30.120 --> 03:06:32.160
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Yvonne Cook-Riley: look her up in I actually as

1866

03:06:33.360 --> 03:06:40.860

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Archives. Yeah, windy windy was involved also back in that time.

1867 03:06:45.270 --> 03:06:47.940 Yvonne Cook-Riley: And now is elder but Wendy

1868

03:06:50.340 --> 03:06:51.930

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Is was a

1869 03:06:53.970 --> 03:06:54.840 Yvonne Cook-Riley: Decision.

1870

03:06:56.550 --> 03:07:03.540

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Used to play in a piano bar in Hollywood, not Hollywood, but

1871

03:07:04.890 --> 03:07:06.990

Yvonne Cook-Riley: We're Universal Studios is that

1872

03:07:09.720 --> 03:07:10.530

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Who

1873

03:07:12.090 --> 03:07:13.800

Yvonne Cook-Riley: transitioned on the job.

1874

03:07:15.990 --> 03:07:18.630

Yvonne Cook-Riley: And went from winning to wailing.

1875

03:07:20.280 --> 03:07:22.440

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Or WAY, WE'RE GOING TO WENDY

03:07:24.000 --> 03:07:26.850

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Who has a

1877

03:07:29.040 --> 03:07:32.400

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Little statues with the Victrola on top of it.

1878

03:07:37.260 --> 03:07:39.090

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Who wrote a lot of the music.

## 1879

03:07:40.380 --> 03:07:45.600

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Back in the time peanuts, the character pants. The Piano Music

1880

03:07:48.240 --> 03:07:49.050

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Did that

1881

03:07:50.430 --> 03:07:51.090

Yvonne Cook-Riley: And

1882

03:07:54.030 --> 03:07:55.200

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Was a

1883

03:07:56.790 --> 03:07:57.390

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Featured

1884

03:07:59.040 --> 03:08:02.040

Yvonne Cook-Riley: entertainer on cruise ships for a long time.

1885

03:08:03.240 --> 03:08:04.590

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Before transition

# 1886

03:08:10.170 --> 03:08:12.960

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Yeah, she could sit down into a piano and make it

1887

03:08:15.240 --> 03:08:17.040 Yvonne Cook-Riley: Make it really, really talk

# 1888

03:08:18.630 --> 03:08:21.690

Yvonne Cook-Riley: And she was just a great entertainer to have

1889 03:08:24.000 --> 03:08:24.510

Yvonne Cook-Riley: On

1890

03:08:26.700 --> 03:08:30.570

Yvonne Cook-Riley: And available because she could put on a

# 1891

03:08:32.790 --> 03:08:39.960

Yvonne Cook-Riley: On a spot, she could do 3540 minutes of entertainment at a piano and

## 1892

03:08:40.980 --> 03:08:43.230

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Just to keep keep things going.

# 1893

03:08:45.300 --> 03:08:45.750

# And

1894

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03:08:47.940 --> 03:08:48.960
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Yvonne Cook-Riley: rolling along

1895

03:08:51.420 --> 03:08:53.700

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Fine. Anybody else that was

1896

03:08:55.380 --> 03:08:55.920

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Not

# 1897

03:08:57.450 --> 03:08:58.830

Yvonne Cook-Riley: There, that's a terrible picture.

03:09:27.870 --> 03:09:31.590

Yvonne Cook-Riley: I had some great photographs of

1899

03:09:33.450 --> 03:09:37.980

Yvonne Cook-Riley: When we were at the American Psychiatric Association's conventions.

1900

03:09:41.310 --> 03:09:41.790

Yvonne Cook-Riley: But

1901

03:09:43.170 --> 03:09:48.960

Yvonne Cook-Riley: One of my one of my favorite photographs, looking at now is that with some Stonewall

1902

03:09:53.670 --> 03:09:54.630

Yvonne Cook-Riley: That was awesome.

1903

03:09:57.390 --> 03:09:59.040

Evan Taylor: I wish we had the camera working to see them.

1904

03:10:01.260 --> 03:10:03.150

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Maybe thankful that you don't

03:10:05.550 --> 03:10:06.210

Evan Taylor: Care enough

1906

03:10:11.130 --> 03:10:11.820

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Anyway,

1907

03:10:14.100 --> 03:10:14.580

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Yeah.

1908

03:10:21.270 --> 03:10:21.630

Yvonne Cook-Riley: I

1909

03:10:22.770 --> 03:10:24.000

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Have another little story.

1910

03:10:27.360 --> 03:10:29.400

Yvonne Cook-Riley: When Marissa had her stroke.

1911

03:10:33.570 --> 03:10:35.190

Yvonne Cook-Riley: And let

03:10:36.300 --> 03:10:42.930

Yvonne Cook-Riley: The community as a functioning member of the community. I made her commitment.

1913

03:10:44.490 --> 03:10:46.830

Yvonne Cook-Riley: That I would be for I'd be

1914

03:10:48.510 --> 03:10:52.680

Yvonne Cook-Riley: There for her and two years ago.

1915

03:10:54.120 --> 03:10:55.290

Yvonne Cook-Riley: On December 1

1916

03:10:57.300 --> 03:10:59.220

Yvonne Cook-Riley: She died in a hospice

1917

03:11:02.400 --> 03:11:08.550

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Being released from the Veterans Administration, because she's also was a bit. She was a ranger in the army.

1918

03:11:11.910 --> 03:11:13.500

Yvonne Cook-Riley: And it was just

03:11:15.750 --> 03:11:16.740

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Carry reader.

1920

03:11:17.880 --> 03:11:20.550

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Came over because she lived in Rhode Island.

1921

03:11:22.200 --> 03:11:22.830

Yvonne Cook-Riley: And

1922

03:11:24.840 --> 03:11:25.740

Yvonne Cook-Riley: McNamara

1923

03:11:27.150 --> 03:11:28.560

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Marci McNamara

1924

03:11:29.700 --> 03:11:31.650

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Came in myself and

1925

03:11:33.270 --> 03:11:35.040

Yvonne Cook-Riley: When she went into hospice

03:11:36.210 --> 03:11:40.170

Yvonne Cook-Riley: And we did set around we talked, and I said,

1927

03:11:41.790 --> 03:11:42.570

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Risa

1928

03:11:43.980 --> 03:11:46.170 Yvonne Cook-Riley: Are you sure you you want

1929

03:11:47.580 --> 03:11:48.570

Yvonne Cook-Riley: To go

1930

03:11:49.980 --> 03:11:51.930

Yvonne Cook-Riley: And she says, I'm ready to die.

1931

03:11:56.580 --> 03:11:58.200

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Go ahead and

1932

03:11:59.430 --> 03:12:01.890

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Start the process and

1933

03:12:03.330 --> 03:12:09.540

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Dan stepped on one side and I slept on the other side. For the next three days until she passed.

1934

03:12:10.710 --> 03:12:14.220

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Peeling and I made that commitment to her.

1935

03:12:15.510 --> 03:12:18.000

Yvonne Cook-Riley: 30 years ago 35 years ago.

## 1936

03:12:19.020 --> 03:12:20.610

Yvonne Cook-Riley: That I would not abandon

1937

03:12:21.750 --> 03:12:25.560

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Her relationship we never, never

1938

03:12:26.910 --> 03:12:31.920

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Were anything other than just working partners on the tapestry, and the community.

1939

03:12:34.800 --> 03:12:36.000

Yvonne Cook-Riley: There was no

03:12:38.100 --> 03:12:39.480

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Physical Contact

1941

03:12:40.560 --> 03:12:44.730

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Between us, but that time I was married to Dan

1942

03:12:46.650 --> 03:12:51.030

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Why I was having a relationship with Dan When I met Marissa

1943

03:12:53.010 --> 03:12:53.310

Yvonne Cook-Riley: But

1944

03:12:55.980 --> 03:12:57.780

Yvonne Cook-Riley: That kind of bond.

1945

03:12:59.580 --> 03:13:02.340

Yvonne Cook-Riley: And commitment you find in the community.

### 1946

03:13:03.420 --> 03:13:05.370

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Today and things like this.

1947

03:13:06.600 --> 03:13:08.430

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Is Justice solid

1948

03:13:10.020 --> 03:13:19.290

Yvonne Cook-Riley: With each one of us. And I think a lot of it is that because the time that we could not

1949

03:13:20.670 --> 03:13:21.420

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Share

1950

03:13:23.820 --> 03:13:24.330

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Our

1951

03:13:25.740 --> 03:13:29.580

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Secret that illusion that we were maintaining

1952

03:13:31.020 --> 03:13:39.000

Yvonne Cook-Riley: To be in a binary male situation. And then finally find somebody to listen and to share

## 1953

03:13:41.400 --> 03:13:44.610

Yvonne Cook-Riley: And be able to have that relationship.

1954

03:13:45.810 --> 03:13:47.460

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Or close to 40 years

1955

03:13:49.620 --> 03:13:57.990

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Is something that we neglect to honor we we don't look upon that as a gift.

1956

03:14:00.630 --> 03:14:01.170

Yvonne Cook-Riley: And

1957

03:14:02.940 --> 03:14:03.870

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Reza to

1958

03:14:05.040 --> 03:14:08.250

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Was a practicing shaman, but could not save herself.

1959

03:14:10.320 --> 03:14:11.850

Yvonne Cook-Riley: She was her own worst enemy.

1960

03:14:17.220 --> 03:14:18.540

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Why am I telling you this

1961

03:14:20.310 --> 03:14:28.410

Evan Taylor: Because I think they're important part of history. Tell them. Now don't get the record them and that just goes to show the power of what it meant. I think

1962

03:14:28.800 --> 03:14:37.620

Evan Taylor: What I'm hearing is the power of what it meant to do activist work together at that time was a it was a bond, a lifelong bond and you don't shake it with something

1963

03:14:37.860 --> 03:14:39.510

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Well, if you were

1964

03:14:39.960 --> 03:14:45.270

Yvonne Cook-Riley: If you were ready to make that commitment or think that this commitment to this community.

1965

03:14:47.220 --> 03:14:48.660

Yvonne Cook-Riley: was important.

1966

03:14:56.370 --> 03:14:57.180

Yvonne Cook-Riley: I don't know what

1967

03:14:58.920 --> 03:15:04.020

Yvonne Cook-Riley: It was today to find that kind of commitment to certain things.

1968

03:15:05.250 --> 03:15:15.480

Yvonne Cook-Riley: For you it's publish or perish. A lot of times and things is so here around here and you will have a endless supply

1969

03:15:16.980 --> 03:15:20.790

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Of being able to to to come up and

1970

03:15:23.880 --> 03:15:36.660

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Do a TED talk, and I hope that you would consider the idea is a anthropologists social anthropologist, especially is to tell

## 1971

03:15:38.910 --> 03:15:44.520

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Not a complete story to tell, but the any movement.

1972

03:15:45.810 --> 03:15:49.170

Yvonne Cook-Riley: requires commitment from somebody

1973

03:15:50.580 --> 03:15:52.320

Yvonne Cook-Riley: And it requires a little hospital.

1974

03:15:55.560 --> 03:15:55.920

Yvonne Cook-Riley: You know,

03:15:57.840 --> 03:15:58.800

Yvonne Cook-Riley: And a good liar.

1976

03:16:03.510 --> 03:16:05.880

Evan Taylor: Def definitely that nowadays, no question about that.

1977

03:16:06.810 --> 03:16:10.170

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Well you gotta remember what is this community based on

## 1978

03:16:12.210 --> 03:16:16.080

Yvonne Cook-Riley: It's based upon for most of us, allusion

#### 1979

03:16:19.140 --> 03:16:29.340

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Our survival in our young age or teenage age or early adolescence was based upon that illusion.

1980

03:16:31.440 --> 03:16:51.720

Yvonne Cook-Riley: That we were something that everybody was willing to accept right and it was only until the pain was so bad. And somebody opened the door and showed us a way that we were able to move be allusion to the other side of the fence. But we're still an illusion.

1981

03:16:56.670 --> 03:16:58.380

Evan Taylor: It's always relational in that way.

03:17:00.000 --> 03:17:00.450

You know,

1983

03:17:02.100 --> 03:17:02.490

And

1984

03:17:03.600 --> 03:17:17.460

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Do people really give a shit. Oh, not really hope but the the the survival is based upon the person's art of maintaining

1985

03:17:18.750 --> 03:17:20.220

Yvonne Cook-Riley: That allusion

1986

03:17:21.660 --> 03:17:24.330

Yvonne Cook-Riley: To society and to our whatever

1987

03:17:26.370 --> 03:17:28.170

Yvonne Cook-Riley: For our survival in a

1988

03:17:31.350 --> 03:17:34.800

Yvonne Cook-Riley: In such a way, we're comfortable with it doesn't mean that

03:17:36.600 --> 03:17:36.900 You know,

1990

03:17:38.370 --> 03:17:40.740

Yvonne Cook-Riley: When, when I'm speaking in public.

1991

03:17:42.690 --> 03:17:47.820

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Share this be that when I start to talk

1992

03:17:51.570 --> 03:17:57.510

Yvonne Cook-Riley: I introduced myself as the von cook Riley, a person of trans shared experience.

1993

03:18:03.870 --> 03:18:04.590

Yvonne Cook-Riley: To

1994

03:18:05.640 --> 03:18:10.200

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Kind of let the audience know that I

1995

03:18:13.050 --> 03:18:15.810

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Belong to the transparent community, but I don't

03:18:17.430 --> 03:18:22.080

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Want them to put me into a category or a spectrum.

1997

03:18:22.680 --> 03:18:23.310

Right.

1998

03:18:25.530 --> 03:18:41.520

Yvonne Cook-Riley: The, the, the idea of just introducing myself of treasure and experience is is giving them the opportunity to look into. Hear me, and to decide for themselves.

1999

03:18:44.640 --> 03:18:45.510

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Where am I

2000

03:18:46.560 --> 03:18:48.660

Yvonne Cook-Riley: As a human individual

2001

03:18:50.700 --> 03:18:51.660

Yvonne Cook-Riley: And I tried to

2002

03:18:53.610 --> 03:18:55.890

Yvonne Cook-Riley: I tried to out of my own ego.

03:18:57.450 --> 03:19:00.630

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Try to humanize myself instead of a

2004

03:19:03.690 --> 03:19:05.340

Yvonne Cook-Riley: pre or post up not

2005

03:19:06.510 --> 03:19:13.200

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Not binaries to spirit, unless I want to tell them something. But the thing is that let them.

# 2006

03:19:15.450 --> 03:19:17.670

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Feel my energy. Yeah.

2007

03:19:19.020 --> 03:19:23.940

Yvonne Cook-Riley: And feel my compassion for my story.

2008

03:19:26.130 --> 03:19:30.210

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Or somebody says, Well you sure hard to express your pain.

2009

03:19:31.230 --> 03:19:33.630

Yvonne Cook-Riley: That's it. Well, yeah, but

03:19:36.210 --> 03:19:36.570

You know,

2011

03:19:38.130 --> 03:19:38.550

Evan Taylor: Yeah.

2012

03:19:39.390 --> 03:19:39.990

So,

## 2013

03:19:41.880 --> 03:19:48.330

Yvonne Cook-Riley: As we go forward. We I when I talk. I do not want to have the baggage.

2014

03:19:51.900 --> 03:19:52.920

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Oh, being

2015

03:19:54.090 --> 03:19:56.070

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Somebody in a category and

# 2016

03:20:00.570 --> 03:20:02.310

Yvonne Cook-Riley: I don't know why I'm talking about

03:20:04.350 --> 03:20:06.960

Yvonne Cook-Riley: His own photographs room reminded me of that.

2018

03:20:08.040 --> 03:20:10.650

Yvonne Cook-Riley: And if I don't stop talking. We're going to be out of shape.

2019

03:20:12.270 --> 03:20:16.500

Evan Taylor: Well, I could talk to you all night, but I don't want to tell you, I know it's been a little while now. So

### 2020

03:20:17.640 --> 03:20:23.820

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Well, I see you're doing the old psycho therapist thing, looking at the clock. So, yeah.

2021

03:20:24.120 --> 03:20:32.040

Evan Taylor: It's like, well, it is it has been three and a half hours and I don't want you to feel like you need to be cut off at the same time. I don't want you to feel like need to continue one so I wanted

2022

03:20:32.520 --> 03:20:33.300

Evan Taylor: To leave it up to you.

2023

03:20:34.260 --> 03:20:37.440

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Well, I think good for good to start

03:20:39.600 --> 03:20:50.340

Evan Taylor: I think it's an excellent start and I appreciate that last little bit about categories. One of the things that we collect and part of the project is we're collecting the meta data, right, so we can organize people based

2025

03:20:50.340 --> 03:21:00.210

Evan Taylor: On whatever year they were born or whatever their gender identity is and I'm feeling like we're not going to give you a particular category around that i think i think will respect that.

2026

03:21:00.720 --> 03:21:02.370

Evan Taylor: That need to know category.

2027

03:21:03.000 --> 03:21:06.900

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Well, I'm gonna cut it grows for a minute to spare kind of code or

#### 2028

03:21:07.590 --> 03:21:18.480

Evan Taylor: Not yeah the the larger capital controls and understand the that it's not a distinct binary here that that sort of idea right

2029

03:21:18.840 --> 03:21:20.070

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Yeah, I appreciate that.

2030

03:21:20.820 --> 03:21:22.350

Evan Taylor: Absolutely will make sure about that.

2031

03:21:23.250 --> 03:21:24.150

Yvonne Cook-Riley: You know it.

2032

03:21:26.880 --> 03:21:32.760

Yvonne Cook-Riley: It's part of the, I think the part of the reason why I'm such a failure in life you know I

2033

03:21:34.860 --> 03:21:36.510

Yvonne Cook-Riley: I really consider. So my

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03:21:37.560 --> 03:21:39.750

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Essence of being a poor I

2035

03:21:43.650 --> 03:21:45.630

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Never was able to complete suicide.

2036 03:21:46.590 --> 03:21:47.310 Hmm.

2037

03:21:51.510 --> 03:21:56.730

Evan Taylor: Is that part of when you say that doing that work with either the very best idea with the very worst idea.

2038

03:21:58.290 --> 03:21:58.620

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Yeah.

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03:22:01.920 --> 03:22:03.690

Yvonne Cook-Riley: I know it.

2040

03:22:07.230 --> 03:22:07.980

Yvonne Cook-Riley: And and

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03:22:10.350 --> 03:22:12.450

Yvonne Cook-Riley: People go to school, like you

2042

03:22:15.390 --> 03:22:19.800

Yvonne Cook-Riley: And achieve PhDs and and

#### 2043

03:22:21.060 --> 03:22:25.230

Yvonne Cook-Riley: All these initials and pay great great amount of money.

2044

03:22:26.490 --> 03:22:29.010

Yvonne Cook-Riley: To do that and

2045

03:22:30.240 --> 03:22:31.140

Yvonne Cook-Riley: I'm envious.

2046

03:22:34.050 --> 03:22:35.310

Yvonne Cook-Riley: I, I kind of

2047

03:22:36.720 --> 03:22:37.740

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Wish that

2048

03:22:39.270 --> 03:22:41.820

Yvonne Cook-Riley: I published, I am published but

#### 2049

03:22:44.340 --> 03:22:53.100

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Not in a way that some of the younger people are, they're pretty prolific in words and to be able to

# 2050

03:22:55.260 --> 03:23:04.530

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Expound their feelings and emotions to to have people really invest their time and reading their material.

03:23:07.500 --> 03:23:12.420

Yvonne Cook-Riley: There was a writer that we had, who is a military writer.

2052

03:23:16.140 --> 03:23:19.710

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Harold coil Perry coil.

2053

03:23:21.090 --> 03:23:21.600

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Wrote

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03:23:23.400 --> 03:23:24.240

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Military

2055 03:23:26.130 --> 03:23:27.750 Yvonne Cook-Riley: Fiction from an army.

03:23:29.220 --> 03:23:30.330 Yvonne Cook-Riley: Standpoint

2057 03:23:32.130 --> 03:23:33.660

Yvonne Cook-Riley: And was

2058

03:23:35.790 --> 03:23:41.040

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Published in five food two books girl coil.

2059

03:23:44.130 --> 03:23:47.640

Yvonne Cook-Riley: And her film name was Nancy Cohen.

#### 2060

03:23:49.800 --> 03:23:56.880

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Seal seal and her later books she actually put herself in her

2061

03:23:58.140 --> 03:23:59.670

Yvonne Cook-Riley: war stories.

2062

03:24:00.720 --> 03:24:01.710

Yvonne Cook-Riley: As a female

2063

03:24:03.150 --> 03:24:08.340

Yvonne Cook-Riley: And she also had her self in there as a male

2064 03:24:09.630 --> 03:24:09.990

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Like

2065

03:24:12.750 --> 03:24:13.320

Yvonne Cook-Riley: I like

03:24:17.430 --> 03:24:30.270

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Christie also wrote in her male side side as perot and her female side is Miss Marvel Nancy was able to take

2067

03:24:32.160 --> 03:24:39.450

Yvonne Cook-Riley: And put both of her characters in her emotional identity in her books.

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03:24:40.740 --> 03:24:41.940

Yvonne Cook-Riley: And she was a

2069

03:24:44.940 --> 03:24:45.510

Yvonne Cook-Riley: A tank.

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03:24:46.530 --> 03:24:46.950

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Can

2071

03:24:48.690 --> 03:24:49.500

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Commander.

2072

03:24:53.700 --> 03:24:56.910

Yvonne Cook-Riley: I think behind as high as you grow because major

03:25:01.170 --> 03:25:01.650

Yvonne Cook-Riley: And

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03:25:05.250 --> 03:25:05.520

Yvonne Cook-Riley: But

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03:25:07.590 --> 03:25:08.070

Yvonne Cook-Riley: She

2076

03:25:09.510 --> 03:25:12.840

Yvonne Cook-Riley: She was interesting because she did. Right.

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03:25:14.490 --> 03:25:19.980

Yvonne Cook-Riley: From two different perspectives in her and her book her first book was team Yankee

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03:25:24.480 --> 03:25:26.970

Yvonne Cook-Riley: And then she went on to write eight or nine other

2079

03:25:28.860 --> 03:25:31.620

Yvonne Cook-Riley: bestseller in that she

03:25:35.220 --> 03:25:38.820

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Should I think I don't know if she's still writing or not to

2081

03:25:42.150 --> 03:25:45.960

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Another one of those interesting characters that we come across

2082

03:25:48.060 --> 03:25:49.020

Yvonne Cook-Riley: And their stories.

2083

03:25:52.260 --> 03:25:52.800

Yvonne Cook-Riley: That she

2084

03:25:54.090 --> 03:25:56.730

Yvonne Cook-Riley: She helped financially through her writing

2085

03:25:57.810 --> 03:26:00.780

Yvonne Cook-Riley: And books help support img at a time.

#### 2086

03:26:05.370 --> 03:26:07.770

Yvonne Cook-Riley: And she was on the board directors for a while.

03:26:08.970 --> 03:26:09.900

I really cool.

2088

03:26:11.040 --> 03:26:11.400

Evan Taylor: You know,

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03:26:15.300 --> 03:26:18.600

Yvonne Cook-Riley: petering out on thoughts, but the longer I

2090

03:26:20.070 --> 03:26:25.830

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Look at that red hair. I just said, wow, you know, my hair was that red one. When I was a kid.

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03:26:26.610 --> 03:26:27.690

Evan Taylor: Oh really redhead.

2092

03:26:28.470 --> 03:26:34.710

Evan Taylor: Yeah, but I can tell. Now I'm looking at your, your picture against like only if you went, you went white not Greg.

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03:26:36.660 --> 03:26:41.190

Yvonne Cook-Riley: I still got grid in my ponytail.

03:26:41.550 --> 03:26:44.070

Evan Taylor: Oh yeah, now you can still you can still see it in the sides there.

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03:26:45.000 --> 03:26:45.900

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Yeah yeah

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03:26:46.290 --> 03:26:47.970

Evan Taylor: We can really get rid of it.

2097

03:26:48.900 --> 03:26:52.500

Yvonne Cook-Riley: You know, I know. One of the reasons I

2098

03:26:53.670 --> 03:26:55.140

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Nobody knows how old I am.

2099

03:26:58.260 --> 03:27:07.650

Evan Taylor: Worried about that though apparently what happens is it just when it goes. It's always like pretty quick. But you see a little bit of color. So I'll hope for that.

2100

03:27:08.790 --> 03:27:09.180

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Well,

03:27:10.800 --> 03:27:11.250

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Good.

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03:27:12.450 --> 03:27:18.120

Yvonne Cook-Riley: I want, I look at that beer. And I said, I had the money that I paid to get rid of that thing.

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03:27:19.410 --> 03:27:20.370

Evan Taylor: I would have traded you

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03:27:22.020 --> 03:27:23.790

Yvonne Cook-Riley: \$600 oh

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03:27:25.860 --> 03:27:28.290

Evan Taylor: I spent I spent more on that and testosterone. The robot.

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03:27:29.610 --> 03:27:32.670

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Yeah I know 600 hours.

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03:27:32.820 --> 03:27:35.130

Evan Taylor: Of, like, nevermind. Nevermind.

03:27:35.460 --> 03:27:36.450 I think that's that's done through

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03:27:37.830 --> 03:27:38.580

Yvonne Cook-Riley: The pain.

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03:27:39.750 --> 03:27:42.270

Evan Taylor: Yeah. Now I'll skip that.

# 2111

03:27:47.490 --> 03:27:52.050

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Those untold stories that if you really want to do this.

# 2112

03:27:54.210 --> 03:28:04.770

Yvonne Cook-Riley: You know, and I'm very, very, very consider myself very fortunate I have had absolutely no surgery cosmetic surgery.

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03:28:06.120 --> 03:28:06.660

Yvonne Cook-Riley: At all.

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03:28:08.610 --> 03:28:09.390

Yvonne Cook-Riley: It's all

03:28:10.560 --> 03:28:11.280

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Natural

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03:28:12.690 --> 03:28:13.620

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Being a little

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03:28:15.120 --> 03:28:16.230

Yvonne Cook-Riley: skinny kid.

## 2118

03:28:18.030 --> 03:28:19.440 Yvonne Cook-Riley: As you know,

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03:28:21.180 --> 03:28:25.320

Yvonne Cook-Riley: 230 but I'm still six foot something tall and nobody messes with me.

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03:28:28.860 --> 03:28:31.980

Evan Taylor: I suspect that the military background has something to do with that.

## 2121

03:28:32.850 --> 03:28:36.120

Yvonne Cook-Riley: I don't want to talk about that. Okay.

03:28:39.180 --> 03:28:41.010

Evan Taylor: Everyone, thank you so much for this conversation.

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03:28:42.570 --> 03:28:43.410

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Let's stop.

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03:28:44.760 --> 03:28:50.550

Evan Taylor: Let's stop right there, not a problem at all. We don't want to do. You've already Peter though we don't want to, you know, keep going along there. So,

# 2125

## 03:28:51.060 --> 03:29:00.120

Evan Taylor: I'll, uh, I'll let you go. But thank you so much and I will be in touch again will I'll do some follow up with you around the, the, the last steps around getting this into the archives and all that.

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03:29:01.620 --> 03:29:02.490

Yvonne Cook-Riley: And sort of

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03:29:04.260 --> 03:29:04.650

Evan Taylor: Say,

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03:29:04.920 --> 03:29:05.370

Saying

03:29:06.960 --> 03:29:07.650

Evan Taylor: I hear you.

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03:29:07.800 --> 03:29:08.670

Yvonne Cook-Riley: I hear you talk

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03:29:09.300 --> 03:29:11.640

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Desire to have dire young and closely.

### 2132

03:29:13.050 --> 03:29:13.410

Yvonne Cook-Riley: And I want

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03:29:13.800 --> 03:29:14.340

Yvonne Cook-Riley: I want to say.

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03:29:14.460 --> 03:29:16.110

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Because the perfect marriage.

# 2135

03:29:18.240 --> 03:29:18.600

Evan Taylor: Enable

03:29:18.870 --> 03:29:19.290

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Enable

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03:29:19.410 --> 03:29:19.800

Here on

2138 03:29:22.200 --> 03:29:22.410 Yvonne Cook-Riley: Air

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03:29:22.800 --> 03:29:25.020

Evan Taylor: Air is absolute.

2140 03:29:25.710 --> 03:29:26.670 Yvonne Cook-Riley: Favorite basically act as

2141 03:29:27.840 --> 03:29:28.500 Your work.

2142 03:29:31.140 --> 03:29:32.850 Evan Taylor: And that's all the

2143 03:29:35.700 --> 03:29:35.940 Yvonne Cook-Riley: Time.

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03:29:36.510 --> 03:29:39.090

Yvonne Cook-Riley: They say they say that we don't

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03:29:39.180 --> 03:29:39.810

Yvonne Cook-Riley: develop our own

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03:29:40.110 --> 03:29:41.070

Our own inner killers.

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03:29:42.690 --> 03:29:43.800

Yvonne Cook-Riley: And I certainly I certainly

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03:29:46.530 --> 03:29:50.010

Yvonne Cook-Riley: Okay, bye. Thank you. Bye bye.