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Dear Friend,

Like you, I believe that stories have the power to overcome stereotypes.

Stories serve as a bridge. They stretch from fear of “the other” to the comfort of shared humanity and shared experiences.

But this bridge is under attack.

So many people are afraid of those who look different, love different, or pray different.

We also need to start talking about belonging. Far too many of our fellow Americans do not feel that they fully belong.

This leads to social fragmentation, polarization, and scapegoating.

Silk Road Rising's vision has always been one of an America to which we all belong.

But this cannot happen when certain stories and certain experiences are excluded from our cultural fabric.

This is why Silk Road Rising has made a commitment to focusing our next two seasons on Muslim American voices.

Our work will continue to humanize Muslim Americans during the entire term of our current presidential administration.

In fact, from the day we started almost sixteen years ago, Silk Road Rising has been home to playwrights of Asian, Middle Eastern, and Muslim heritage.





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Without challenging limited worldviews, there is no change. And without sufficient funding, we cannot continue to support artists who spark this change.

Please join our [Bridge Builder Sustainer Program](#), a monthly giving program, to give voice to stories that help us make sense of our complex world.

Friend,
in giving
to Silk

Road Rising, you help build an America to which we all belong.



Your gifts support stories of communities that, as Pew Research puts it, are not just disliked, but despised. This is where Silk Road Rising's work becomes critical to national healing.

Now, more than ever, we need to hear each other's stories. You can help us tell these stories.

With immense gratitude for your commitment and support,

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