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***A Story of Relationship as a Strategy  
for Racial Battle Fatigue***

Monday, November 2, 2015, 12pm  
Center for Multicultural Education (CME)

Room 109A



Race relations in the United States continue to be a real issue that has challenged people's attempts to enter into authentic relationships. In our presentation and book chapter we share the ways in which two people found the courage to continue to reach for authentic relationship in the midst of personal and institutional struggles against racism. Our presentation is intended to share our story, but also to empower others to reach for authentic relationships in their lives.

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