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BOXES

ideas worth spreading





EVENT

PROGRAM

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I Am Not a Robot

Yunni Cho, Brown-RISD '21

Tools for Opioid Rescue Heroes

Professor Geoff Capraro

A New Direction for the U.S. Economy

Jessica Burbank, Graduate Student

How Computer Science Taught Me to Be Brave

Madeline Griswold '21

Mezcla Dance Group

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Creating Health Agency

Roberta Powell

How to Use Art to Fight Mental Stigma

Mirabella Roberts '20

What I Learned About Respect from Horses

Professor Connie Crawford

Impulse Dance Group

Vulnerability Through Hand-Written Letters

Kaitlan Bui '22



ABOUT THE CONFERENCE

Take an inside look on the inspiration
for this year's theme

About TEDx

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About the theme

TEDxBrownU's 2019 conference theme is Boxes. These could be the boxes we are put in by labels and stereotypes or the boxes we break free from. Boxes shipped across the world that connect nations or boxes used to build-something from ground-up. Boxes that bear the causes and secrets of the Universe, like the one Pandora unleashed.



ABOUT OUR SPEAKERS

Meet the brilliant people behind the
brilliant ideas



YUNNI CHO

Yunni Cho is a dual degree student at Brown University and the Rhode Island School of Design (RISD). At RISD, Yunni is majoring in Interior Architecture, practicing adaptive reuse. At Brown University, Yunni is double concentrating in urban studies and cognitive neuroscience. Through her education, she hope to explore the interdisciplinary nature of design and question the boundary of space through its history and perception.



PROF. GEOFF CAPRARO

Geoff Capraro, MD, MPH is a practicing Brown Emergency Medicine physician who wants to bring the power of emergency antidotes to the public. He is actively working on opioid overdose prevention through his founding of NaloxBox, his engagement in the naloxone work group of RI Governor Raimondo's Overdose Prevention and Intervention Task Force, and his research on impending overdose sponsored by the NIH Center of Biomedical Research Excellence (COBRE) on Opioids and Overdose. He values his deep collaborations in these efforts, gladly serves as a mentor for Brown and RI programs in entrepreneurship and innovation including Brown's Breakthrough Laboratory, Brown medical school's Scholarly Concentration Program, and the Social Enterprise Greenhouse.



JESSICA BURBANK

Jessica Burbank makes the case for integrating democratic principles with economic decision-making—a transformation she argues is necessary for human progress. This perspective is informed by her background in data-driven public policy, international history, and political economy. Her work ranges from piloting development programs with a focus on sustainability and sociocultural relevance, to lecturing in the International Studies department at Wells College under Dr. Tukumbi Lumumba-Kasongo.



MADELINE GRISWOLD

Madeline is a junior at Brown University concentrating in Computer Science, with a focus on Machine Learning. She has participated in Brown's Computer Graphics and Reinforcement Learning research groups and interned as a Software Engineer at Bloomberg. Madeline's passion lies in CS education, as she has taught many elementary, middle, and high school students how to code. Outside of technology, Madeline enjoyed showing people around campus as a science tour guide and taking photographs around the city.



ROBERTA POWELL

During her treatment for breast cancer 14 years ago, Roberta Powell was confronted with the difficulty of making informed health decisions. Comprehending medical terminology, understanding the nuances of her treatment plan and grasping the significance of the lab values was overwhelming. Consequently, after completing her cancer treatment at 45 years old, Roberta changed careers; returned to school to become a nurse educator. Based on Roberta's 8 years of nursing experience, she has created a powerful health preservation tool that simplifies complex health data, provides drug interaction alerts and supports health-agency.



BELLA ROBERTS

Mirabella Roberts, or Bella for short, is a Senior at Brown University studying Literary Arts and Public Policy. Bella is the CEO and Founder of Rhode Island based non-profit, Art to Reduce Mental Health Stigma. Bella is a writer, entrepreneur, and problem-solver. A native of Maryland, Bella loves to travel, cook Georgian food, and compete in slam poetry competitions.



PROF. CONNIE CRAWFORD

Connie Crawford is a horse woman and a teaching artist in theatre. At Brown University, she is the Marsha Z. West Director-in-Residence at Rites and Reason Theatre in the Africana Studies Department and a lecturer in the Theatre Arts and Performance Studies Department. Connie connects across species. Inspired by Tom Dorrance, she has studied with great horse people and great horses. Connie is a national facilitator of interspecies communication workshops. In these workshops, humans interact with horses to attune their powers of perception and to develop their tolerance for ambiguity. These interspecies interactives enhance the human's communication skills and build productive partnerships.



KAITLAN BUI

Hello, hello! My name is Kaitlan, and I am so excited to be a part of this year's conference. I'm (probably) concentrating in English, and I'm also passionate about learning new languages. Some things that make me happy are old people holding hands, time spent with my family, and pen-and-paper letters. I'll be touching on the last one in my talk; I'm excited to see you there!

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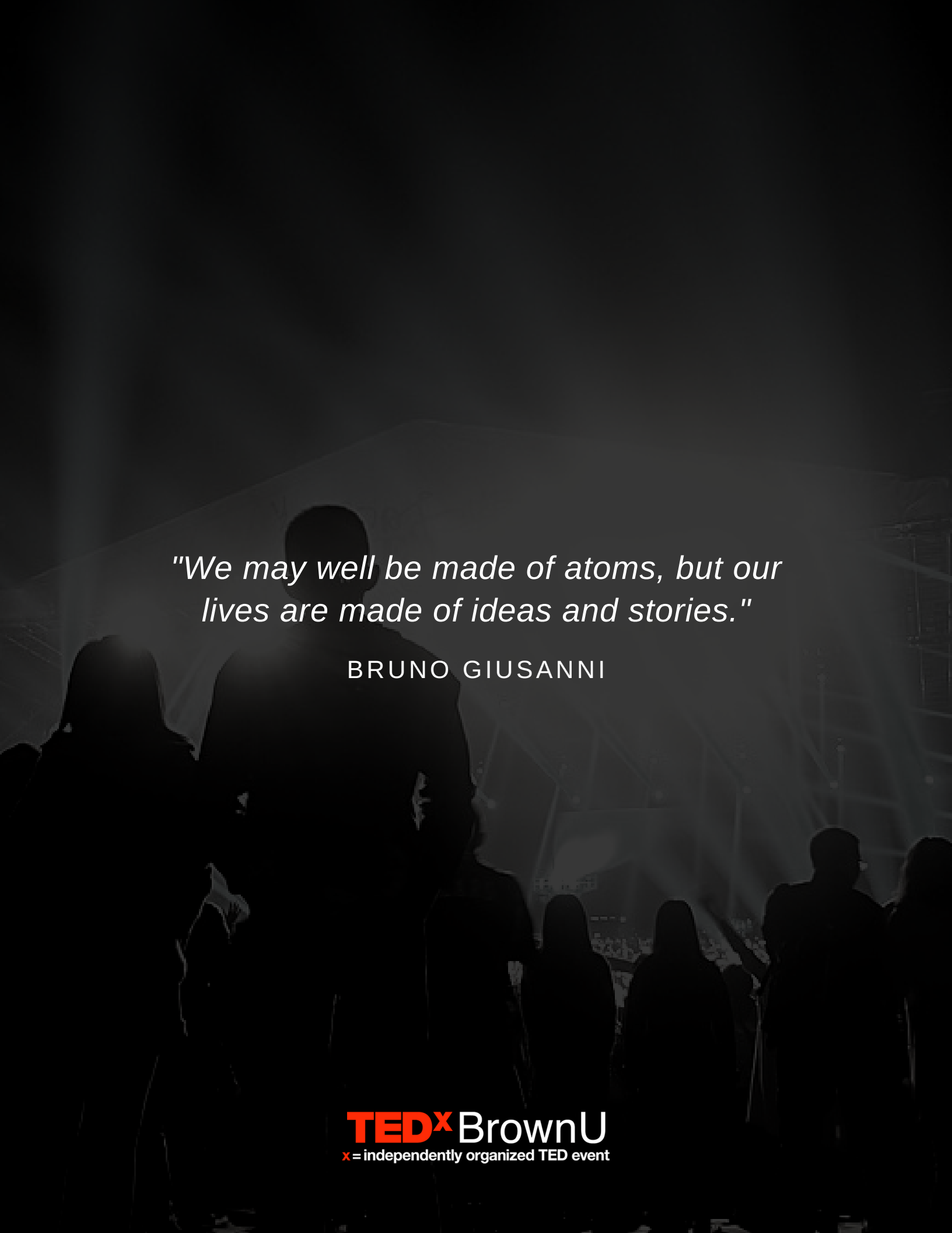
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*"We may well be made of atoms, but our
lives are made of ideas and stories."*

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