

Carol

Transcript of visual culture jam performance

[Standing to the side of an image of her family]

So I need you all to respond, when I go like this, “I will not judge my students.” Ok. Got it? “I will not judge my students.”

Chanting similarly to a Catholic priest:

My mother raised us as Catholics and forced us to go to church every Sunday.

Response (R)

The adults who taught us focused on what they believed to be evil.

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They would repeat again and again that we would go to hell unless we followed the Ten Commandments.

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The Church wanted us to believe that people who commit these sins were damned unless they repent.

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I feel lucky to have escaped this mentality and accept others who believe differently.

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I hope teachers will know it is wrong to judge others based on their own religious beliefs.

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EXPLANATION:

So my narrative that I wrote to Uly was pretty much about how my mom raised us Catholic. My dad was Catholic too, but my mom went to Catholic school so she always said that we could decide what we want to do after we graduated and we could make our own decisions after but she had made a promise to the Church that she would raise her children Catholic so we had to go to CCD every Sunday, which is pretty much Sunday school for Catholics. Instead of having it be a stronger part of my identity, I think it did the opposite and pushed me further away from that because I didn't agree with everything that they would drill into our brains. And so my narrative, Uly, pretty much explained, that even though I am married, White woman, with a traditional family, with two point five (2.5) kids, the point five (.5) being my step daughter, and being a Catholic, I don't necessarily, I don't believe that we should judge our students based on those types of things especially religious beliefs that you may have or thoughts.