

Exploring Motivation: Dr. Satsuki Ina

Introduction: Dr. Satsuki Ina is a Japanese American community activist, writer, and filmmaker. Dr. Ina was born in one of the detention camps where Japanese Americans were incarcerated during World War II. She is also a psychologist who has dedicated her career to understanding the lasting trauma on the Japanese American community as a result of wartime incarceration.

Key Terms

Tule Lake Pilgrimage: An annual journey by activists to the site of the Tule Lake detention camp used to incarcerate Japanese Americans during World War II

Crystal City Pilgrimage: An annual journey by activists to the site of the Crystal City detention camp used to incarcerate Japanese Americans during World War II

Yonsei: The great grandchildren of Japanese immigrants

Questions

Instructions: Watch the video, "Organizing a Peaceful Protest in Texas—Dr. Satsuki Ina" <<https://youtu.be/JhZ4yNVQ55A>> **two times**. For the **first viewing**, watch the clip without stopping and answer the questions under "First Viewing." For the **second viewing**, watch from the time stamp, then write in your own words what you think Dr. Ina means by the statements below.

First Viewing

1. How does Dr. Ina connect her family's experience of incarceration to the experiences of migrants seeking entry to the United States today?

2. How would you describe her emotions? What do you think is making her emotional?

Second Viewing

3. In your own words, explain what Dr. Ina means when she says:

(0:27) "...speaking out, and protesting in ways that our parents couldn't do, and two, in ways that people never did for us."

4. In your own words, explain what Dr. Ina means when she says:

(1:21) "...needing to really show up as Japanese Americans, because we have the moral authority to protest."