

“Upon suffering beyond suffering, the Red Nation shall rise again, and it shall be a blessing for a sick world. A world filled with broken promises, selfishness, and separations, a world longing for light again. I see a time of seven generations when all the colors of mankind will gather under the sacred Tree of Life and the whole Earth will become one circle again. In that day, there will be those among the Lakota who will carry knowledge and understanding of unity among all living things, and the young white ones will come to those of my people and ask for this wisdom. I salute the light within your eyes where the whole universe dwells. For when you are at that center within you and I am at that place within me, we shall be one.”

Crazy Horse, Ta-sunko-witko, 1877

Book: *All We Can Save – Truth, Courage, and Solutions for the Climate Crisis*

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The need for air, water, nourishment, unifying systems of ecological rhythms and structures within nurturing spaces that impact each other are commonalities of all of creation, including the 7.8 billion people inhabiting the earth today. *All We Can Save* (edited by Dr. Katharine K. Wilkinson and Dr. Ayana Elizabeth Johnson, published in 2020 by One World) addresses our shared Climate Crisis in a thought-provoking anthology of eclectic blends of topics and fields of expertise expressed in essays, poems and art. The work, authored by 50+ professional women that create a tapestry of awareness, thought, discussion and challenge, embraces our common future. As Indigenous youth activist Xiye Bastida puts it in her “Calling In” essay, “A vibrant, fair, and regenerative future is possible—not when thousands of people do climate justice activism perfectly but when millions of people do the best they can.” The inclusiveness of the book is growing into conversation/action through the *All We Can Save Project* <https://www.allwecansave.earth> invitation, welcoming humanity to virtually gather for discussion, rebirthing into nature’s responsible cycles of life.

The Structure of the Book:

Root: A call, a welcoming, a place to ground
The foundation of Indigenous wisdom
And the wisdom of Earth’s living systems
Interconnection, emergence, justice, regeneration

Advocate: Strategy, participation, public good
Plying tools of legislation and litigation
How we hold the powerful to account
And (re)write the rules with all peoples in mind

Persist: Damn if this work isn’t hard, our task towering
The fire of activism—on the front lines, in the belly
Standing for justice, for health, for the sacred
We don’t have to do this alone

Feel: Awake, aware, attuned
Hearts break, souls shake with anxiety
Can’t skip this: struggling, mourning, raging, healing
A ferocious love for the planet we call home

Reframe: Language and story, creativity and culture
Our means of making sense
To tell the truth—expand, flip, and rekindle it
Imagining, evolving, holding on to our humanity

Reshape: Problems embedded in the contours
Of cities, transport, infrastructure, capitalism
Coastlines and landscapes where human-nature meet
Much to reconsider, rend, invert, remake

Nourish: Soil, food, water, sky—inseparable
The foundation of our aliveness
Collaborating with and supporting nature
Microbes, farmers, photosynthesis

Details: Editors have highlighted key statistics(*) and insights(...) in the margins, underlining some key terms and names of women whose climate-related work is referenced.

Climate Solutions: A detailed listing of climate solutions and accelerators, referenced in <https://drawdown.org>

Reference Organizations: A listing of climate-focused organizations reference by many of the essayists.

Selected Sources: A limited listing of sources for further reading; full list of resources at www.allwecansave.earth

Credits/Index (referencing multiple essay sources)

About the Essayists: Brief biography of each contributor

Onward: Oh my love ... we are not the beginning ... and we will not ... be the end

Ayana Elizabeth Johnson and Katharine K. Wilkinson