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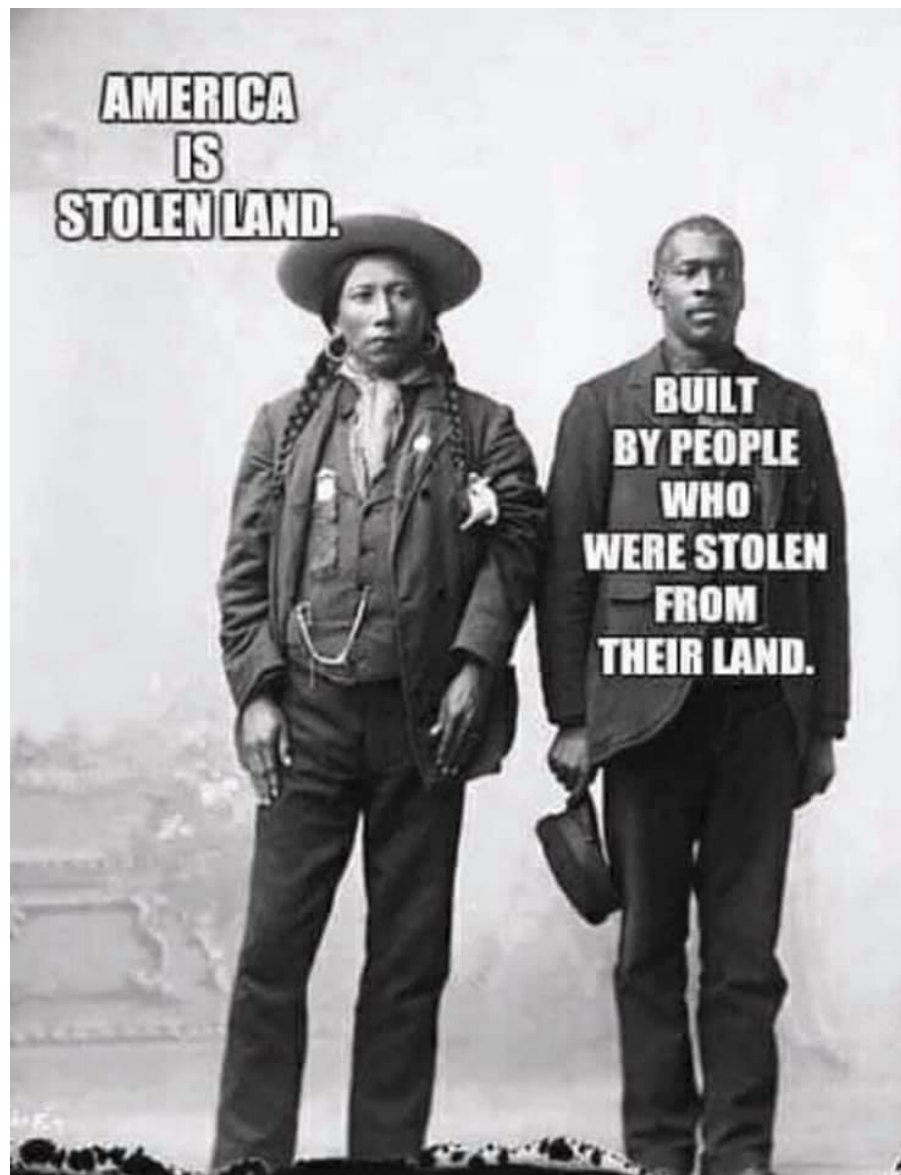
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## **Protesters topple Columbus statue on State Capitol grounds**

By [Jessie Van Berkel](#) Star Tribune

June 10, 2020 — 10:58pm

Protesters lassoed a statue of Christopher Columbus outside the State Capitol Wednesday afternoon and pulled it to the ground, saying their action was a step toward healing for Indian communities.

Dozens of people gathered by the statue on the grounds outside the Capitol before pulling it down. American Indian Movement activist Mike Forcia talked to a State Patrol captain sent to the scene to encourage protesters to follow a legal process for removing the statue, which has stood on the Capitol grounds since 1931. Forcia said they had tried that route many times and it had not worked.

The protesters then looped a rope around the statue and quickly pulled it off the stone pedestal and to the ground. The patrol officer watched from a distance as protesters sang and took photos with the statue for about half an hour.

State officials said they had been warned about the action via social media. It was mentioned at a news conference an hour and a half earlier with Gov. Tim Walz. Public Safety Commissioner John Harrington said then that the patrol would meet the protesters and seek an alternative resolution.

Columbus, a 15th-century Genoese explorer, has long been a target of activists for his role in colonizing, killing and exploiting indigenous people.

Before the statue came down, Forcia and others said Walz and Lt. Gov. Peggy Flanagan should address the crowd. But no elected officials came out to speak. After a discussion with the patrol officer, the crowd moved to tear down the statue.

Forcia asked women to station themselves in front and hold the ropes, citing them as leaders and calling attention to the large number of missing and murdered indigenous women — an issue that lawmakers have taken up in recent years after a community push.

The statue crashed to the pavement after a few moments of tugging, but did not appear to be heavily damaged by its tumble. Singing, drumming and joyous chants followed.

Forcia said after the statue was removed to an undisclosed location, the patrol told him he will be charged with criminal damage to property in the coming days. “I’m willing to take that,” he said. “The paradigm shift is happening and it was time.”

The patrol is investigating and charges are possible, said Eric Roeske, the patrol captain who spoke with Forcia before and after the statue was removed. He said about 40 officers were on the scene, but they did not gather until after the statue was torn down.

“We want to reduce violence, and we’re trying to not have a repeat of what happened in Minneapolis,” Roeske said.

Late Wednesday, Walz released a statement saying that protesters should have followed a formal process to have the statue removed. “While that process was too long for those who were pained by the statue’s presence, that is not an excuse for them to take matters into their own hands ... . Even in pain, we must work together to make change, lawfully,” Walz said.

Jolene Engelking, of Minnetonka, saw the event posted on Facebook and brought her 9-year-old daughter Olivia to bear witness.

“We felt this was something that was so historic,” said Engelking, whose mother is enrolled in Minnesota’s White Earth Nation. “We wanted this statue down for a long time.”



As the monsoons approach, beans on the mesquite trees are beginning to mature, leaving desert dwellers with an abundance of nutritious mesquite pods. Rich in calcium, magnesium, potassium, iron and zinc, mesquite meal is a good food for everyone. [View or download mesquite meal recipes here>>](#)

### **Some water restored for Klamath Basin farmers**

By Farm Progress, 6/10/20

The U.S. Bureau of Reclamation is backpedaling on a plan to further slash water deliveries to Klamath Basin farmers this summer, as the agency is reverting to an earlier allocation of 140,000 acre-feet. The bureau in May signaled plans to cut its allocation to 80,000 acre-feet as part of a three-year operating plan, which was initiated under an agreement with the Yurok Tribe. Growers had planted their crops based on the higher allocation, and the further cut threatened to leave some 200,000 acres of farms without surface water by midsummer.

### **We Won't Win the Climate Fight Without Youth Leadership**

SHARON ZHANG, TRUTHOUT

Climate activist Jamie Margolin says her guide for youth activism, *Youth to Power*, has much to offer adults, too.

[Read the Interview →](#)

### **From the Phoebe Heart Anthropology Museum (UCB)**

Last week we committed to taking part in [the Chancellor’s call for institutional self-examination](#) that will move all of us toward change for justice and belonging. We understand

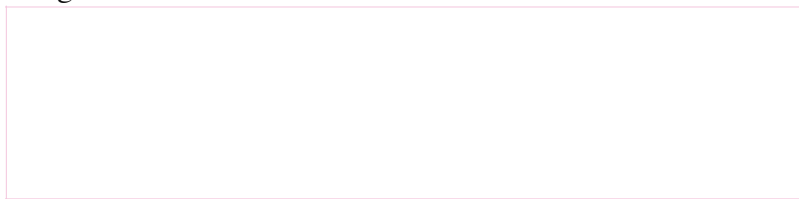
that words are important, but also that actions will speak more loudly. We're in the midst of a long-range strategic planning process centering diversity, equity, access, and inclusion. We recognize that we'll need to embed racial justice into our daily work to envision and sustain structural change.

This week we've added a page to [our website](#) which includes links to some of the resources that we've been learning from, circulated by our Berkeley colleagues. We hope you continue to enjoy learning along with us and [we welcome your perspectives](#). Here are some ideas of other ways to learn and recharge this week:

Relax and find peace with the at-home art activity, [Crochet Jam](#), led by local artist Ramekon O'Arwisters.

Hear Bill & Clarity White speak about how [careers in archaeology](#) impact family life, and the unique outlook that archaeology can bring to understanding current events.

Learn [how archaeological methods can aid in humanitarian efforts](#) with Martha Nuño Diaz-Longo [click in box.....url is there](#)



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"The world needs more lawyers with good hearts and clear minds to continue to make a positive difference." Congratulations from 5 indigenous law deans and many friends across Indian country . . . <https://lnkd.in/eesfAud>

*(go to this web site, click on program for a gorgeous presentation and all the beautiful pictures of the following graduates.) Heartfelt Congratulations! (been there, done that...sdc)*

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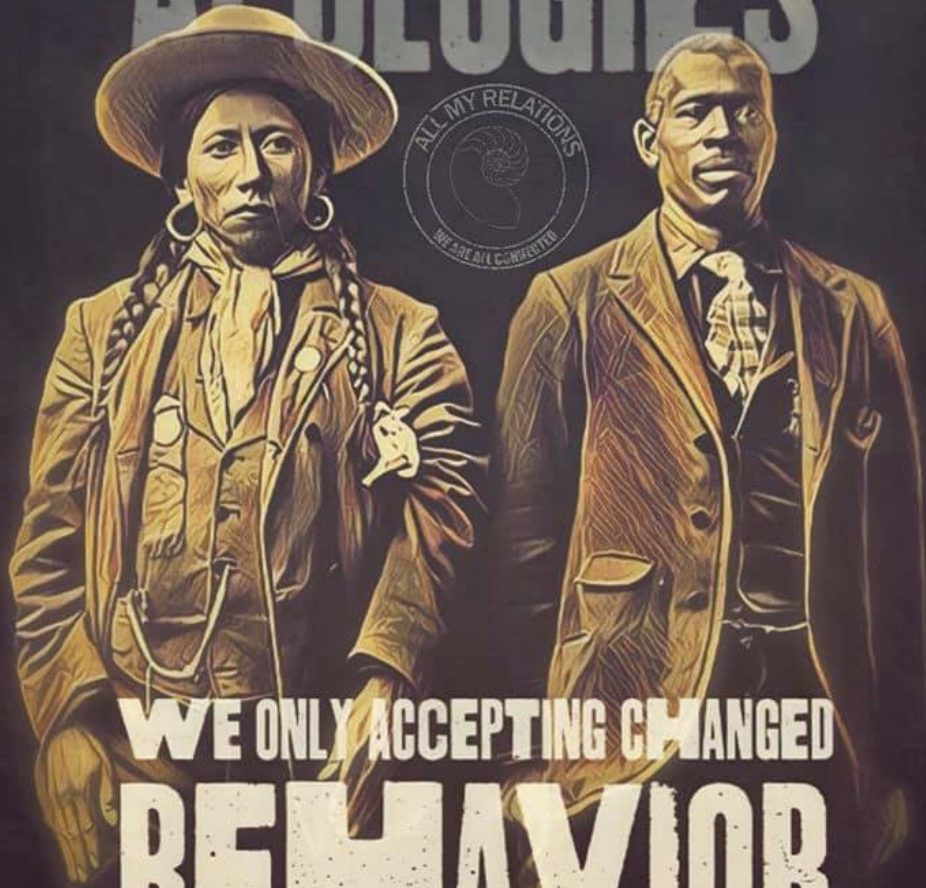
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