



This Month's Topic:

Virtual Screening of *Lisa & Isell: A story about adoption & the Ghost Kingdom* with Q&A



Join Angela Tucker & Lisa Simmons on June 22nd from 12-1pm

Angela is a Black woman adopted from foster care to white parents. Her debut book, *YOU SHOULD BE GRATEFUL: Stories of Race Identity, and Transracial Adoption*, was published in April 2023. Her mission; to center adoptees, is evident in her podcast, *The Adoptee Next Door*, and each of the five short films that she has produced. Angela has over 15 years of experience working within adoption and foster care agencies and has mentored over 200 adoptees.

Lisa is a multi-disciplinary storyteller: She is a singer/songwriter, essayist, and published poet. She fronts the poetic/musical ensemble *NoteSpeak*. Angela & Lisa co-wrote an [essay](#) advocating the for rights of Black fathers in 2022. Her jazz standards album *Lisa Meets Gianni* was released in 2022.

In 2021, Lisa flew to Florida to search for her birth father; Angela Tucker and her Emmy Award-winning husband Bryan Tucker filmed a documentary about the search.



We'll spend 30 minutes of this session watching the short film together, followed by Q&A with Angela & Lisa. Bring your lunch and listen to the story of others who have experienced adoption. This session is **open to people who were adopted in Vermont, adoptive, guardianship, kinship, & foster caregivers, and the professionals** that support them.



While this series is free pre-registration is required.

Email vtadoption@vermont.gov, call 802-241-0901, or register online:

[Meeting Registration - Zoom](#)

Watch film trailer [here](#).