

AIEA Collaborative Poem

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Oh 2021

I feel anxious, but I embrace the energy that exudes from the souls of those I love
I feel disillusioned, but I embrace opportunities for deepening commitments to global justice
I feel skeptical, but I embrace optimism
Perplexed, but I embrace adventure
Overwhelmed, but I see so many possibilities ahead
I feel amazed, and I embrace the unknown with optimism for its infinite possibilities
I feel hopeful, and I embrace life as it is
Suspicious, but I embrace the possibility that you'll leave me feeling hopeful and in awe

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I feel galvanized, and I embrace growth and new life
Courageous, and I embrace new possibilities
Optimistic, and I embrace change, transition and the unknown

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I feel courageous and I embrace, I embrace, I embrace anyone who will come
Perplexed and overwhelmed, but I embrace daily gratitude and grace
Confused, but I embrace hope
Vulnerable, but I embrace the uncertainty of the road ahead
Eager, and I embrace growth and change

I embrace the uncertain days to come
Overwhelmed, but I am moving forward bravely
I embrace opportunities for intercultural learning both near and far
I embrace the insecurity of what is to come
I embrace hope that we are now better prepared
Who is caring for the caretaker?

I feel eager and I embrace this time of transition
I embrace the future, which will bring me closer to the hearts, arms, and physical presence of others
Sipping wine and laughing

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