Omeka/ Isolating Together FAQ

What should I contribute?

Take a look at this list of prompts. Perhaps something here will inspire you to jot down a few thoughts, snap a photograph, or create a piece of artwork. You could also interview a family member or make a short video.

- ★ *While we're hearing a lot in the news about "mitigating the risks" in these times, how are you mitigating the misery?*

- ★ *Show us your day in one photo. Please caption it, too.*

- ★ *How have your reading, or listening, or viewing habits / tastes changed since mid-March?*

- ★ *During these times, who (living or in memory) has been especially important to you?*

- ★ *What gets you laughing these days? Any examples?*

    Write about- or photograph- something that currently fascinates you.

- ★ *As you find ways to stay motivated during these times, write about a "theme song" or a personal motto that is with you through this- and write about its importance to you.*

- ★ *Are your morning routines different now than they were back in March? How so?*

- ★ *Describe something good that happened for you this week.*

- ★ *As you imagine your time after lockdowns and self-isolation, what benefits would like to take with you from this current experience?*

How do I contribute?

Click on the ["Contribute an Item" page](#), choose the item type, and complete the form. Be sure to check the "Publish my contribution on the web" box at the end of the form. Once the contribution form is submitted, project staff will review the submission before it is made available online. The data and captions you provide will not be edited, but we may add tags or descriptive information so that it's easier to find when visitors search the site.

We aim to review submissions within 48 hours, although there may be delays.

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- Mixed Media (text with images, handwritten time capsule, etc): PDF
- Photo/Still Image: JPEG or PNG
- Video: MP4
- Audio: MP3

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