

## ***We Tell Makers***

*We Tell* prefers to call the many people who worked on the media projects in this exhibition makers rather than filmmakers, video artists, or directors.

First, very few of these works were produced by one person, so the auteurist model is insufficient.

Second, most of these were produced by collaborative, collective, or cooperative teams where members had shifting roles and made different kinds of contributions.

Finally, we offer the proviso that this list is most likely not complete and will evolve as more research about each of these films and their participatory production process is uncovered. We provide this list to honor the people who contributed to these works.

# **BIOGRAPHIES OF MAKERS**

**Ryan Saunders** is an award-winning independent documentary filmmaker with deep roots in Philadelphia's collaborative media community. Originally from the twin-island state of Trinidad and Tobago, Saunders's personal film work explores the history and culture of Caribbean immigrants in North America. Over the last twenty years, he has taught numerous workshops and participated in various community history projects at Scribe Video Center. In 2010, he joined Philadelphia's public access television network, PhillyCAM, as Technical Director.