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[brian]: Hey, welcome back to the podcast. Now, Listen, you may have missed this, but in the past few days something big happened

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[brian]: Actors Equity dropped their diversity, Equity and Inclusion report And this is a glimpse at a moment in time, So twenty twenty

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[brian]: one, and they're looking qualitatively in quantitatively at where do the numbers are all shake out out of the contract

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[brian]: that they offered in that you know, very weird year a year after the after the pandemic, Where do they all shake out

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[brian]: in terms of representative of the different groups that are the actors that are inside of Equity. Right and this may

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[brian]: sound like a real heavy ecademic game here. But what you have to hear inside of this is understanding where Equity

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[brian]: is trying to continue to be a leader in this space and I had with us. I feel so lucky to share with you. Danny Conley

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[brian]: is Equity s new Diversity and Inclusion strategist, and she is the one who put this entire report together. And this

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[brian]: might sound like it's heavy, but I have to tell you that this was a really fun conversation. She's really Ump, about this

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[brian]: report about the work that Equity is doing right now, and one of the things that comes through in the entire conversation

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[brian]: is how empowered she wants you to feel as an actor, whether you're a member of Equity or not, or stage manager. Of course,

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[brian]: to reach out to use the department that she is the head of to help you feel more comfortable in those spaces, or to share

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[brian]: a celebration, or to say something that needs some work on it right. So I also want you to know that Danny and I were

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[brian]: both a little nervous for this conversation. I was nervous because Really wanted to get it right. I was nervous because

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[brian]: this is important to me Into the mission here at Brian breaks character, and Danny did such a beautiful job of sharing



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[brian]: with me that those tricky conversations they have to

be had, we have to be able to make mistakes. and one of the things

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[brian]: that I love about Danny is not only is she an expert in this area, she is an actor's theater person Like she has her

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[brian]: Ph D from Stanford in theater and performance studies. She has her bachelors and theater and dance and American studies

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[brian]: from Trinity College, and she has her mess, As in theater and performance studies from Washington University. So what does

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[brian]: this mean to you? This means that she knows how to talk the creative game, and as you can imagine, when we are talking

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[brian]: about diversity and equity and inclusion, and we're also talking about who the heck is going to be in the cast of this

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[brian]: next show on Broadway or at this regional theater. That can be a tricky conversation. So she and I get into making those

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[brian]: choice is what does it mean to be accommodating when it comes to the audition room? It comes to what who's being cast



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[brian]: Unset And I had a ton of questions That area, So I want to make sure you take away from this that the report has dropped.

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[brian]: We will link to that into the show note so you can read it, but really listen for Danny, walking us through what it means

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[brian]: to try to see Equity diversity inclusion on the stages

in this country. All right, let's get to it.

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[brian]: So, Danny, welcome to the show. I'm so glad that you're

here

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[danee\_conley]: Thank you for having me so excited.

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[brian]: For sure. Full disclosure. Everyone listening, Danny

and I both re nervous before we came on today, we even admitted

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[brian]: it to each other,

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[danee\_conley]: Hm.



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[brian]: so obviously this means a lot to both of us. I think

for me it was early about it being, this is an important conversation

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[brian]: and one that we don't always get the opportunity to have.

And so Danny, Can you just you know, everybody has already heard

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[brian]: your bio at this point? Can you tell us what is your day to day like in your work and where you are actuallybecause?

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[danee\_conley]: Yeah,

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[brian]: Now that everyone's remote and all over the country,

people have no idea where

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00:00:32,211 --> 00:00:32,731 [danee\_conley]: Absolutely

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00:00:32,300 --> 00:00:33,080 [brian]: you might even be sitting.

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[danee\_conley]: yes. yes. so I am working out of the Chicago office, some in the Chicago area, but my team is in New York, so kind

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00:00:43,251 --> 00:00:48,911

[danee\_conley]: of navigating all the different time zones, which



is incredible when you're setting meetings, you know,

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[brian]: Oh, believe me, half my team is on the East Coast. Have them for her and it's like Can we meet at nine? M? they're like,

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[brian]: Yeah, I'll be having lunch. I'm like. Oh, shoot, Should

I get up at six a M. today?

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[danee\_conley]: Or when I'm like, Oh, I want to meet at nine a

M. and our West Coast staff is like, absolutely not.

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[brian]: We're not

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[danee\_conley]: No,

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[brian]: coming

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[danee\_conley]: thank

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[brian]: in at

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[danee\_conley]: you. 24 00:01:03,960 --> 00:01:05,660 [brian]: six or seven 25 00:01:05,451 --> 00:01:05,531 [danee\_conley]: No, 26 00:01:05,720 --> 00:01:06,020 [brian]: or whatever 27 00:01:05,971 --> 00:01:06,291 [danee\_conley]: absolutely 28 00:01:06,080 --> 00:01:06,160 [brian]: you 29 00:01:06,331 --> 00:01:06,431 [danee\_conley]: not. 30 00:01:06,820 --> 00:01:08,880 [brian]: do. Um, and 31 00:01:09,171 --> 00:01:09,371 [danee\_conley]: Yeah, 32 00:01:09,360 --> 00:01:12,340

and what that's about.

[brian]: yeah, tell me through your. tell us about your position



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[danee\_conley]: Yea, so I am the Diversity Inclusion Strategist, Actors Equity Association, and my day to day kind of looks different

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[danee\_conley]: depending on what project I'm working on, so I can be brought in on anything from business intakes, when there

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[danee\_conley]: are issues that arise, or even things to celebrate

that arise to being on those conversations.

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[brian]: Wait. Can you

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00:01:37,531 --> 00:01:37,991 [danee\_conley]: The latter

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[brian]: wait? Can I

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[danee\_conley]: are

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[brian]: interrupt

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[danee\_conley]: always.



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[brian]: you wait? Tell me what a celebration

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[danee\_conley]: yeah,

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[brian]: would look like. Tell E, what a celebration looks like,

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[danee\_conley]: Um, for me, a celebration looks like when an employer or a member reaches out and they're like, Hey, I've been working

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[danee\_conley]: on this show. We're doing really amazing things in V. I. I'd love to have a conversation about what we're doing

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[danee\_conley]: and how we can grow together. Those are my favorite conversations ever.

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00:02:01,440 --> 00:02:01,980 [brian]: And when you're having

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[danee\_conley]: Um,

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[brian]: those, I'm going to kep, interrupted. Because it's so

fascinating is



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[danee\_conley]: Oh

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[brian]: when

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[danee\_conley]: yeah,

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[brian]: you're having

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[danee conley]: please,

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[brian]: those converstrations. Is it typically with like someone who'd be in the cast? Or is it someone who is a direct? Like

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[brian]: who is the person? Because I think actors I can to were

like.

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[danee\_conley]: Yeah.

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[brian]: We're thing of the actor. Right who is the one who'd

be like reaching



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00:02:14,611 --> 00:02:15,011 [danee\_conley]: absolutely

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[brian]: out to you. Eh,

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[danee\_conley]: so. the wonderful thing about my position is that we are both a member based staff based, and also external based

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[danee\_conley]: department, so anyone can reach out to us, both folks who are working on equity contract from folks who aren't

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[danee\_conley]: or who are interested in equity or any across the spectre of people who could want to have conversations around

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[danee\_conley]: the I.

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[brian]: Wow,

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[danee\_conley]: So we Been contacted by members who are like. I'm working on this great show. How do we go about implementing

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[danee\_conley]: more Di practices for the cast? Having conversations with employers of producers directors, But then also be are reached

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[danee\_conley]: out to quite a bit from students that colleges who want to just have conversation around the industry. It's

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[danee\_conley]: really anyone interested in theater has Has reached out and it's been a really wonderful aspect of my job because

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[danee\_conley]: I mean, I firmly believe that the doesn't work unless it's kind of infused in all aspects of the industry. And

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[danee\_conley]: so I'm here for Equity and its members, but I'm also here for the industry at large.

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[brian]: That s so interesting. So the first ting that came out to me is like. Does that mean your lbex has a lot of emails you

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[brian]: don't need to deal with, and like everyone in the world is getting some of your time all the time. Like what is it? and

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00:03:38,840 --> 00:03:39,760 [brian]: it could be completely wrong

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[danee\_conley]: A 77 00:03:39,800 --> 00:03:39,840 [brian]: or 78 00:03:39,871 --> 00:03:40,111 [danee\_conley]: little 79 00:03:39,880 --> 00:03:40,260 [brian]: you wishing 80 00:03:40,171 --> 00:03:40,331 [danee\_conley]: bit. 81 00:03:40,620 --> 00:03:40,800 [brian]: Okay. 82 00:03:42,351 --> 00:03:46,291 [danee\_conley]: Yeah, now, actually a little bit. 83 00:03:46,720 --> 00:03:46,920 [brian]: Okay, 84 00:03:47,791 --> 00:03:49,091 [danee\_conley]: That's That's really where it is. 85 00:03:49,440 --> 00:03:49,720 [brian]: Got it.

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[danee\_conley]: I am. I have full confidence and faith in our staff. And so, if ever, there's something that comes to me and

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[danee\_conley]: it's not really in my real house, I feel super comfortable sending them along to whoever can actually help them

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[danee\_conley]: and also letting folks know that if you reach out to me, I like to income. It's moderately approachable, so

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[danee\_conley]: you know, Happy to be that kind of go between

or come to it for conversation,

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[brian]: Got it. And if someone's listening right now, I promise we're gon t get to everything you do. But this is like super.

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[brian]: If someone's listening right now like

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00:04:22,791 --> 00:04:23,171 [danee conley]: Please.

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00:04:23,180 --> 00:04:27,740

[brian]: Hey, maybe I should be reaching out to Danny. I should be saying this to her. I should be sharing this. What I know

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[brian]: you said. It's like Hey, this is going really well. I don't don't an to spend too much time when tings are going badly,

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[brian]: But like can you say like when would be? Is it like a raising of? like? Hey, I need support. or would it be? this was

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[brian]: a horrible experience. We need to talk about this. I had the like. I don't want to make people experience trauma in

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[brian]: the in the telling of this moment, but I would wait interesting

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[danee conley]: Hm.

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[brian]: to you to like. what would be the definition of the Time to knock on your door. For example.

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[danee\_conley]: Yeah, so the right time to knock on my metaphorical email door is to is when you're experiencing any type of work

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[danee\_conley]: conditions or have questions around anything that involves diversity, inclusion, belonging, justice, building care

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[danee\_conley]: bringing, I said, I try to expand that a little

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bit more. I think that sometime diversity and inclusion falls

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00:05:16,371 --> 00:05:24,651

[danee\_conley]: into this idea of its only for certain people, And that's not at all the position I take. I believe that again,

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00:05:24,751 --> 00:05:33,351

[danee\_conley]: Diversity inclusions have to focus on care building and community building and showing up for one another, So I've

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[danee\_conley]: been contacted about

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[danee\_conley]: is happening in my workplace. I'd love to have a conversation with my business. Rap with you in the room To

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[danee\_conley]: come this from a diversity and inclusion lens, which is awesome. I've also been contacted. Um, I need help immediately

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[danee\_conley]: because some something horrible has happened and that's

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[brian]: M.

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[danee\_conley]: I'm there. You know. it's



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[brian]: Yeah,

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[danee\_conley]: I'm there for people that all aspects are at all times on their journey, So happy to be there for the beginning

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[danee\_conley]: and kind of a part of that conversation throughout.

But I'm also there if I've had folks reach out and say hey, I'm

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[danee\_conley]: interested in, You know, unconscious bias training and providing resources for that or he. I am a wheel chair user

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[danee\_conley]: and I'd love to talk about accessibility. Um,

for folks with physical disabilities in X feeder space.

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[brian]: Got it.

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[danee\_conley]: Happy to have those conversations as well. So

really it's anything. Be related.

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00:06:40,920 --> 00:06:46,480

[brian]: Yeah, are you ever the one who's like Hey you, we need to have a talk because I don't mean that would be. That would



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[brian]: be nasty. Like you have t have a talk. You're

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[danee\_conley]: No,

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[brian]: being bad. but

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[danee\_conley]: I

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[brian]: like

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00:06:48,871 --> 00:06:49,991

[danee\_conley]: totally understand what you mean.

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00:06:50,180 --> 00:06:51,620 [brian]: yeah, can you, and then a

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00:06:51,731 --> 00:06:51,931

[danee\_conley]: yeah,

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00:06:52,300 --> 00:06:54,680

[brian]: yeah. Can you tell us a little bit about that kind of

when that shows

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[danee\_conley]: Uh,



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[brian]: up for you or like? Is there like a mission of?

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00:06:56,391 --> 00:06:56,591

[danee\_conley]: yeah,

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00:06:56,420 --> 00:07:01,760

[brian]: We need to talk to this many theaters by the end of the year or anything that happens like that kind of edict, For lack

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00:07:01,820 --> 00:07:02,540

[brian]: of a better word,

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[danee\_conley]: So that's like a kind of a too problem answer. So the first part of that is whenever something comes in to the

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00:07:12,731 --> 00:07:18,691

[danee\_conley]: union, that is a member or employer reaching out to a business wrap or a senior business wrap, or even a field

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[danee\_conley]: breath. sometimes I'm brought in on those conversations, so it is sort of that first thing that you describe, which is

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[danee\_conley]: you know, reaching out to whoever is maybe having an issue or needs to have those kinds of conversin, And I'm saying



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[danee\_conley]: I'd love to talk about whatever the situation is at hand, and how we can move forward and grow together. Those

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[danee\_conley]: are. That's a part of it. There's also the outreach part part of it, which is less so reaching out and saying, Here's

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[danee\_conley]: what you need to do better, and more so reaching out across the industry and saying, I'm really interested in

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[danee\_conley]: having this conversation and building a network of care. Wet's figure out how to provide Resources to do that

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00:08:05,411 --> 00:08:14,551

[danee\_conley]: So that could look like M. de presentation or conversations with potential employers. It could look like workshops

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00:08:14,631 --> 00:08:19,631

[danee\_conley]: and webinars. Remember, Um, So really it's It's kind of too problem.

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[brian]: Go go before we get too deep. I've got a bunch of questions still that I want to ask, but I want to hear, and this is a really

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[brian]: simple one, Danny. So you can slap me later if you want to, which is can you give me? Can you share for our audience



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[brian]: your definition or equities? definition of d, E, I, J.

And what that?

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[danee\_conley]: Yeah, yeah, that's a great question. so I abtually

flip it

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00:08:43,080 --> 00:08:43,260

[brian]: Yeah,

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00:08:43,831 --> 00:08:49,211

[danee\_conley]: only because I heard it this way one time and

I'm obsetobsessed with it because I'm a little bit of a nerve,

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00:08:49,551 --> 00:08:50,231 [danee\_conley]: which is get

[danee\_conley]. Which is ge

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[brian]: Yeah,

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00:08:51,211 --> 00:08:51,431

[danee\_conley]: to my

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[brian]: so

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00:08:51,531 --> 00:08:51,951

[danee\_conley]: favorite.



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00:08:51,740 --> 00:08:52,640

[brian]: yes, we say that

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00:08:52,671 --> 00:08:52,851

[danee\_conley]: Um,

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00:08:52,700 --> 00:08:54,320

[brian]: and we, our trainer who trains

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00:08:54,231 --> 00:08:54,831 [danee\_conley]: absolutely

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00:08:54,360 --> 00:08:57,860

[brian]: us. She uses that word all the time She causes our jet

training, but people don't get it

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00:08:57,891 --> 00:08:58,071

[danee\_conley]: Love

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[brian]: in the world

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00:08:58,211 --> 00:08:58,391

[danee\_conley]: jet,

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00:08:58,240 --> 00:09:01,200

[brian]: because they think we're talking about Star Wars that

we have to clean it up.



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[danee\_conley]: Which, like getting to do De for a star were movie sounds pretty awesome. Not what we're talking about right now,

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00:09:10,591 --> 00:09:17,731

[danee\_conley]: but Jed or even Debby, is how I've heard it called,

which is diversity, Equity, belonging and inclusion, which I

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00:09:17,851 --> 00:09:27,411

[danee\_conley]: love, M. But so the idea of Di, at least, as of

approaching it in my department, and how we're having these conversations

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00:09:27,531 --> 00:09:34,951

[danee\_conley]: around equity, both with our members and then outside of equity in the larger Peter community Is diversity

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[danee\_conley]: of bodies, thought, um, raceunicity, gender, gender

expression and identity, sexual orientation better in status

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[danee\_conley]: disability, It's really just anything that leverages your personal identities and characteristic is included in that

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[danee\_conley]: conversation around diversity. equity for me, and the way When talking about it is making sure that people

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00:10:05,471 --> 00:10:06,231 [danee\_conley]: don't have to



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[danee\_conley]: Leverage or share or feel like they have to share their vulnerability or any part of themselves to have the same

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00:10:18,851 --> 00:10:24,811

[danee\_conley]: level of access as anyone else. so a lot of that

is pro active thinking of,

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[brian]: M.

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[danee\_conley]: for example, how do we make sure that members who are deaf and heart of hearing can show up to an audition

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00:10:33,371 --> 00:10:40,871

[danee\_conley]: with the same level of access as anyone else that they might need, And that doesn't mean I love that the image

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[danee\_conley]: that floats around the Internet of everybody standing at a fence.

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00:10:44,760 --> 00:10:44,900

[brian]: Yeah,

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[danee\_conley]: and it's like a tall person, and then a shorter person, a medium high person.

person, a mediam night person

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[brian]: Right,

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[danee\_conley]: At the whole idea of equity, they can all see over the fence, and that might mean that the box are standing

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00:10:55,351 --> 00:10:57,791

[danee\_conley]: on has to be built a little higher, so

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[brian]: Right,

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[danee\_conley]: sometimes we have to focus a little bit more on the experiences that some people are having in order for them

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[danee\_conley]: to have the same level of access for me. Justice, then is the room Oval of the fact, right that there are no barriers

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[danee\_conley]: in the way that you don't even need a box of stand on that when you show up to a space or into a room or a conversation

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[danee\_conley]: or an audition or a rehearsal room, that everything you bring to that space is exactly enough to access that space.

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[danee\_conley]: Does that make sense?



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00:11:30,280 --> 00:11:37,240

[brian]: Yeah, totally doesn't love the definition. This must get really tricky because I'm going to use a bad example, but

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00:11:37,540 --> 00:11:39,660

[brian]: you'll make it Molbettawhich is like.

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00:11:39,551 --> 00:11:39,931

[danee\_conley]: Yeah,

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00:11:39,740 --> 00:11:43,700

[brian]: If we're talking about Oklahoma, let's just pretend right

And we have a vision of the show

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00:11:43,551 --> 00:11:43,931

[danee\_conley]: Hm,

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00:11:43,920 --> 00:11:49,360

[brian]: Oklahoma, and what? it's supposed to look like, What look like in the past and we can truly like. Oh no, we're doing

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[brian]: this with. We're doing everything different were doing were embracing all of the ifferent. This must get tricky when

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[brian]: you're talking to directors or theaters, and I'm imagining celebrations are look. I don't want t say, good job. but this

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[brian]: person let go of any preconceived notions of what equity and justice looks like in terms of casting. And so, since you're

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00:12:08,020 --> 00:12:08,900 [brian]: representing actors in

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00:12:08,931 --> 00:12:09,231 [danee\_conley]: Hm,

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00:12:08,940 --> 00:12:14,900

[brian]: many places, do you get into a lot of conversations with people in that arena? Um, or like, we want everybody

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00:12:14,751 --> 00:12:15,131 [danee\_conley]: Hm,

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[brian]: to look the same who's in the course. Want them to be the same height and up up like that is like not going to work

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[brian]: if we're going to try to also do this at the same time. I get you have an artistic vision. Do you get into Weird to me?

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[brian]: It feels very weird, like, almost Like I'd be trapped in like a Mia strip of like, how do I have? You have your artistic

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[brian]: vision and also talk about this at the same time. Can you speak to that a little bit?



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[danee\_conley]: What an incredible concept Because this is something I deal with all the time. Um, So the way I approach that is typically,

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[danee\_conley]: I have the utmost faith in our industry and the level of creativity that is in these rooms in these rehearsal

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[danee\_conley]: spaces in these audition rooms right that like, I have no doubt that if they came across an issue that was like,

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[danee\_conley]: Oh, well, this conflict with my artistic vision right that their talented enough to shift that artistic vision

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00:13:12,671 --> 00:13:15,991

[danee\_conley]: right in a way that doesn't hurt people or cause harm.

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[brian]: M,

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[danee\_conley]: And I think that's why I absolutely love intimacy, directors and choriographers. I love cultural consultants and

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00:13:23,371 --> 00:13:28,051

[danee\_conley]: coordinators on shows. I think having those conversations of



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[danee\_conley]: What are we for going in the name of artistic

vision

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[brian]: M.

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[danee\_conley]: for me is This is gonna be. This is a phrase you know like when you're when you're doing these conversation and

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00:13:45,991 --> 00:13:48,131

[danee\_conley]: you're like I don't want to say anything wrong,

but I think

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[brian]: Yes,

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00:13:48,571 --> 00:13:55,911

[danee\_conley]: part of it is a fear that, like it's for me in such a creative industry, it's a little bit of a cop out right

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[danee\_conley]: like I think. I think there are such brilliant minds in this industry and I'm so grateful to be a part of it

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[danee\_conley]: that I have no doubt if someone came forward and said I'm experiencing harm in this way, or I feel Silenced or



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00:14:12,791 --> 00:14:20,771

[danee\_conley]: embraced or oppressed, Or what have you? whether

that's in when you're on contract or before you get a contract

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00:14:21,291 --> 00:14:27,731

[danee\_conley]: that we have such incredible minds in this field to be able to step up and say Okay, How do we re? think this

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[danee conley]: the same way that it's like Okay, we want to do

theater in the round, but

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[brian]: Hm,

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[danee\_conley]: we only have a presinium stage. You figure

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[brian]: You

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[danee\_conley]: it

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[brian]: will

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00:14:37,531 --> 00:14:37,611

[danee\_conley]: out



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00:14:37,680 --> 00:14:38,060

[brian]: figure it out.

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00:14:38,671 --> 00:14:44,811

[danee\_conley]: right, you'll figure it out And that That's my favorite thing about Peter. And so I kind of say the same thing

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00:14:44,911 --> 00:14:47,711

[danee\_conley]: is. Um, let's figure it out together

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00:14:48,160 --> 00:14:48,380

[brian]: Yeah,

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00:14:48,511 --> 00:14:56,991

[danee\_conley]: right, And that's that's a big part of why I'm here if you are like, Stuck, if you're like, Actually, Um, I

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00:14:57,131 --> 00:15:07,651

[danee\_conley]: need all of our actors to be able to jump up and down right. It's a very real blocking request, but some folks

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[danee\_conley]: may not be able to jump up and down, And that doesn't make them Less of an actor or any less talented. Or what

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[danee\_conley]: have you? chances are we can work together to figure out a way to convey the same message without having those

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[danee\_conley]: times of requirements around it. I think this comes from me being a drama turned to in my past. Life is just

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00:15:29,851 --> 00:15:38,611

[danee\_conley]: thinking through all of the ways that we can approach a work and still provide that same understanding and that same

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00:15:38,671 --> 00:15:39,651

[danee\_conley]: message, and that same.

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[danee\_conley]: I try not to use this word when I'm going to use

it. Bibe

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[brian]: Yeah,

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00:15:45,911 --> 00:15:47,991

[danee\_conley]: in A for an audience

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00:15:48,460 --> 00:15:48,640

[brian]: Yeah,

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00:15:49,491 --> 00:15:50,391

[danee\_conley]: and figuring it out together.

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[brian]: yeah, because I think when you're using the word vie, what I think you're saying is the impact we wanted to have on



00:15:54,140 --> 00:15:58,600

[brian]: the audience in that moment doesn't matter. Here's a question and this is like the bad person's question. For a second.

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00:15:59,100 --> 00:16:00,100 [brian]: Yes, but I need everyone to

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00:16:00,051 --> 00:16:00,251 [danee\_conley]: Uh,

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00:16:00,120 --> 00:16:00,800 [brian]: be able to do a triple

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00:16:00,691 --> 00:16:00,731 [danee\_conley]: uh,

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[brian]: pirouette, and so becomes a skill technique

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00:16:03,791 --> 00:16:04,131 [danee\_conley]: Hm.

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00:16:04,500 --> 00:16:09,540

[brian]: and it becomes not a vision. Is that a tricky conversation that our having? or is this the baby question that no one cares

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00:16:09,600 --> 00:16:15,740

[brian]: about Like at that point where like get out of my face you are. get out. Like, tell me. tell me about that Because there's



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[brian]: a like or

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[danee\_conley]: No,

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00:16:16,840 --> 00:16:21,700

[brian]: she has to be able to belt and hide. I can't do anything about that like that's the way the music is written, and I wondered

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[brian]: about what happens and this may be like. Does this happen?

Am I making up a scenaro that is not real?

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[danee\_conley]: No, So it's so funny because I want to touch on something very little that you said in that, which is for me,

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[danee\_conley]: there's no small question, right. I think part of doing the work is not being afraid to ask these questions

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[danee\_conley]: and feeling like, Oh, this is a small question, or this is a question no one thinking about, Because chances

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[danee\_conley]: are with the billions of people in the world.

If you're wondering this question, someone else is wondering

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00:16:54,591 --> 00:16:55,051



[danee\_conley]: this question.

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00:16:54,800 --> 00:16:55,840 [brian]: I got to beg you,

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00:16:55,931 --> 00:16:56,051 [danee\_conley]: So

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00:16:55,940 --> 00:16:56,200 [brian]: Danny,

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00:16:56,451 --> 00:16:56,591 [danee\_conley]: for

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00:16:56,540 --> 00:16:56,940 [brian]: Everybody,

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00:16:56,651 --> 00:16:56,991 [danee\_conley]: me it's

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00:16:57,000 --> 00:16:57,400

[brian]: please hear

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00:16:57,411 --> 00:16:57,771 [danee\_conley]: yes,

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00:16:57,440 --> 00:16:58,480 [brian]: that that was so helpful



00:16:58,191 --> 00:16:58,711 [danee\_conley]: A card.

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00:16:58,800 --> 00:17:03,140

[brian]: because Danny ould also feel Here's what I don't want to also be. I don't want to also be. This is going to sound

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[brian]: something. but I'm gonna say it's my podcast. I can I on't want be a right wing ship stirrer, who's trying to just

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[brian]: poke for poking? I'm actually trying to ask creative artistic question around.

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[danee\_conley]: Yeah,

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[brian]: Does this come up in reality of like Like Where is there? A? My suspicion is an, you can correct me here or get me close.

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[brian]: As like, you

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00:17:21,011 --> 00:17:21,331

[danee\_conley]: Hm,

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00:17:21,180 --> 00:17:25,320

[brian]: know when the line is crossed or you know when it's And

too far.



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00:17:25,271 --> 00:17:25,731

[danee\_conley]: Hm,

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[brian]: Yes, we agree she should be able to high. Everyone knows that high in that song. Yes, That's what does that make sense

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00:17:31,300 --> 00:17:32,160 [brian]: when I'm saying it that way.

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[danee\_conley]: Yes, Absolutely, and I think that is something that happened before someone's even hired Right. So it's in an

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00:17:42,991 --> 00:17:50,551

[danee\_conley]: audition call. you say. Um, we're casting for

Elphaba. We need you to hit a certain

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[brian]: Yeah,

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00:17:50,991 --> 00:17:55,331

[danee conley]: note. Chances are, you're probably not going to

audition if you can't hit that note

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00:17:55,580 --> 00:17:55,740

[brian]: Right,

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[danee\_conley]: right.

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00:17:55,980 --> 00:17:56,140

[brian]: right,

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00:17:56,051 --> 00:18:06,191

[danee\_conley]: So it's it's those question. But what I don't want is for someone who say Someone is putting on a rendition

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00:18:06,311 --> 00:18:07,751 [danee\_conley]: of Cinderella.

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00:18:08,100 --> 00:18:08,240

[brian]: Sure,

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00:18:08,611 --> 00:18:14,831

[danee\_conley]: Cinderella is a bad example, because there was Brandy of Cinderella, And so it does. My. My example doesn't

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[danee\_conley]: make sense. Let me back track.

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00:18:15,920 --> 00:18:16,100

[brian]: Okay,

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00:18:16,471 --> 00:18:19,171

[danee\_conley]: Say there's no white right,

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[brian]: Okay,



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00:18:19,591 --> 00:18:20,991

[danee\_conley]: a rendition of Snow White or

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[brian]: yeah,

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00:18:21,051 --> 00:18:26,191

[danee\_conley]: Beauty in the Beast, or think of the princesses

that

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00:18:26,200 --> 00:18:26,380

[brian]: Great,

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00:18:26,231 --> 00:18:26,691 [danee\_conley]: we think of.

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[brian]: sure,

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[danee\_conley]: Um,

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[danee\_conley]: I question. I don't question. The Are people going to feel comfortable aditioning, because they know that they can't

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00:18:37,351 --> 00:18:45,211

[danee\_conley]: do the dancer team that's required. Or, and even

then it gets a little tricky because those can be updated to



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00:18:45,200 --> 00:18:45,560

[brian]: Yeah,

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00:18:45,651 --> 00:18:47,311

[danee\_conley]: have accommodation right.

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00:18:47,080 --> 00:18:47,920

[brian]: yeah, yeah, yeah, yeah,

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[danee\_conley]: But like for singing parts? Um, yeah, I think I'm more excited about the conversations that I like. So I'm

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[danee\_conley]: a trans woman who's a wheelchair user. I also want you to addition for Bell or Cinderella or Snow White, right,

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[danee\_conley]: because I think a big part of this question is challenging our understanding of what the stop character is right.

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[danee\_conley]: And thinking about, I don't know we. If we can do like Things on stage that people would never guess you could

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00:19:34,651 --> 00:19:37,911

[danee\_conley]: do in real life, people are flying through the

air



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[brian]: Yes,

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00:19:38,491 --> 00:19:44,511

[danee\_conley]: as if the right. like, I don't know why I'm on

some kind of like Disney metaphor

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00:19:44,500 --> 00:19:44,600

[brian]: It's

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[danee\_conley]: kick,

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00:19:44,660 --> 00:19:44,940

[brian]: okay. it's

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[danee conley]: But

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[brian]: good.

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[danee\_conley]: like

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00:19:45,220 --> 00:19:45,600

[brian]: it's great.

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[danee\_conley]: right, like Peter Pan, you fly through the air.



If you can do that, you can have a black Snow White.

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00:19:53,000 --> 00:19:53,740 [brian]: Oh my God, please

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00:19:53,731 --> 00:19:53,811

[danee\_conley]: You

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00:19:53,820 --> 00:19:53,920

[brian]: show

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[danee\_conley]: could

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00:19:54,000 --> 00:19:54,040

[brian]: me

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00:19:54,091 --> 00:19:54,291

[danee\_conley]: have

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00:19:54,100 --> 00:19:54,420

[brian]: a Peter

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00:19:54,451 --> 00:19:54,531

[danee\_conley]: you

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00:19:54,480 --> 00:19:54,700

[brian]: Pan



00:19:54,551 --> 00:19:55,091 [danee\_conley]: know what I mean.

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00:19:55,000 --> 00:19:57,280

[brian]: in a wheel chair. I mean, I'm now dying for a Peter Pan

and

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00:19:57,471 --> 00:19:57,771

[danee\_conley]: Yes,

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00:19:57,540 --> 00:20:01,400

[brian]: like I'm dying for that to be the thing. like, Yes, yes,

yeah,

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[danee\_conley]: You know, and I think for me that's a really big

thing. is. Um, how do you accommodate someone who is a really

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[danee conley]: wonderful fit for your show, but might be on cormon

medication, And so when they started their career, they could

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[danee conley]: hit that high note and now they can't, And but

like

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[brian]: They're at.

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00:20:26,871 --> 00:20:26,891

[danee\_conley]: I



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[brian]: They

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00:20:26,951 --> 00:20:27,091

[danee\_conley]: don't.

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[brian]: got.

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00:20:27,251 --> 00:20:27,411

[danee\_conley]: Yeah,

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00:20:27,400 --> 00:20:27,620

[brian]: yeah,

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00:20:28,591 --> 00:20:31,011

[danee\_conley]: So that's what I mean By the creativity involved

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[brian]: Yeah,

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00:20:31,191 --> 00:20:38,571

[danee\_conley]: And theater that I opened so many possibilities.

If you can create something out of nothing. I mean, I

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00:20:38,580 --> 00:20:38,740

[brian]: Yeah,



00:20:38,631 --> 00:20:43,571

[danee\_conley]: think every person in this industry has come across

a limited budget right,

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00:20:43,820 --> 00:20:43,980

[brian]: Yep,

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00:20:43,971 --> 00:20:49,311

[danee\_conley]: and has put on a wonderful show on like fifty

dollars and

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00:20:49,460 --> 00:20:49,660

[brian]: Yes,

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00:20:50,131 --> 00:20:52,011

[danee conley]: whatever set pieces they can fit in their car,

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00:20:52,240 --> 00:20:52,600

[brian]: Right, yeah,

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00:20:52,611 --> 00:20:53,251

[danee\_conley]: right. And so

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00:20:53,700 --> 00:20:53,940

[brian]: yes,

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00:20:53,951 --> 00:21:00,891

[danee conley]: if we can do all that, why can't we expand the

way that we're talking about What shows are



00:21:01,120 --> 00:21:01,320

[brian]: Yeah,

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00:21:01,171 --> 00:21:01,571 [danee\_conley]: They can be.

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00:21:01,980 --> 00:21:06,500

[brian]: Danny. does this get frustrating for you because we're starting to have a very artistic conversation? I would say part

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00:21:06,540 --> 00:21:07,400 [brian]: of this is around. Artistry

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00:21:07,211 --> 00:21:07,531 [danee\_conley]: Hm,

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00:21:07,540 --> 00:21:13,000

[brian]: about our seems like mutual taste of like we like boundaries being pushed, which isn't necessarily

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00:21:13,011 --> 00:21:13,431

[danee\_conley]: Hm,

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00:21:13,020 --> 00:21:17,680

[brian]: maybe the same of the mission of your department to make sure people are getting opportunities into it right. So one is

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00:21:17,740 --> 00:21:18,940 [brian]: like a stretching artistic



00:21:18,831 --> 00:21:19,011

[danee\_conley]: Yes,

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00:21:19,020 --> 00:21:22,340

[brian]: boundaries, as he. Probably the you and I both like to

see, which is maybe different. So is this

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00:21:22,331 --> 00:21:22,731

[danee\_conley]: Hm,

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00:21:22,400 --> 00:21:26,840

[brian]: ever get frustrating or O yu, ever like not feel like your clothes are fitting in this department. Or is this the kind

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00:21:26,880 --> 00:21:30,160

[brian]: of conversation that is willing to be had when people

are to talk

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00:21:32,031 --> 00:21:40,211

[danee\_conley]: Yeah, that is a great question. Absolutely, from at least my time equity so far, everyone is really excited to

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00:21:40,271 --> 00:21:49,211

[danee\_conley]: have these conversations. I haven't come across anyone. That's like. No, I don't believe in change, you know,

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00:21:49,500 --> 00:21:49,700

[brian]: Right?

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00:21:50,611 --> 00:21:52,171

[danee\_conley]: very grateful for that.



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00:21:52,020 --> 00:21:52,860 [brian]: Yeah, thank goodness.

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[danee\_conley]: I have come across, you know, across my time, and I had come across people who are like. I have a real Fear

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00:22:02,231 --> 00:22:13,951

[danee\_conley]: for change, which fair I approach, the work that myself and my team do with the knowledge that getting a an equity

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00:22:14,031 --> 00:22:23,691

[danee\_conley]: contract, for example, is not just following your dream, right, it's not just let me practise my skill, it's also

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00:22:24,491 --> 00:22:33,371

[danee\_conley]: access to housing, being able to feed your family, having access to health care. you know, the just Much more to

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00:22:33,471 --> 00:22:39,671

[danee\_conley]: getting a contract and being hired on a show than just being on the stage.

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00:22:39,780 --> 00:22:42,720

[brian]: Yeah, and I think that's such I want t make Im. Probably he, because I want to underline.

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[danee\_conley]: M.



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00:22:42,800 --> 00:22:43,420 [brian]: Bcause. Think it's so

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00:22:43,311 --> 00:22:43,531

[danee\_conley]: hm,

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[brian]: important that you are bringing into the conversation and I think it's important that every one's hearing this is that

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00:22:48,920 --> 00:22:54,480

[brian]: sure, and very few people go into acting because it isn't what they love to do, So let's be aware of that right.

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00:22:54,451 --> 00:22:54,831

[danee\_conley]: Hm,

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00:22:54,800 --> 00:22:59,700

[brian]: and so getting the job can feel like an accident. It can feel like Lock can feel like so much up to chance and opportunity.

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00:22:59,691 --> 00:23:01,891

[danee\_conley]: Oh, impostors in drum is so real.

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[brian]: Right and Danny just underlining for all of us. Yes, and you're entitled to these things because you're part of a

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00:23:07,460 --> 00:23:08,040 [brian]: union because you're



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00:23:07,971 --> 00:23:08,331

[danee\_conley]: Hm,

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[brian]: contributing to someone else's boy Line, and we are workers

here, and Tat's why the union exists. and like, we just have

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[brian]: to really remember. That's part of

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00:23:13,991 --> 00:23:14,511 [danee\_conley]: Absolutely,

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[brian]: what all is about. So you've been

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00:23:15,551 --> 00:23:16,071 [danee\_conley]: absolutely,

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00:23:16,240 --> 00:23:19,940

[brian]: and you've been an equity for about seven months at this point right? Is that about where seven eight

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00:23:19,951 --> 00:23:20,231

[danee\_conley]: Hm.

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00:23:19,960 --> 00:23:26,140

[brian]: months right? And so there was someone on this chair seat before. Or is this a new department? Can you help us all



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00:23:26,180 --> 00:23:26,600

[brian]: get up today?

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00:23:27,391 --> 00:23:29,171

[danee\_conley]: Yeah, so this is not a new department.

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[brian]: Okay?

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00:23:29,291 --> 00:23:36,191

[danee\_conley]: There is someone who is in our seat in my seat

before Um. and they are now off in the

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00:23:36,140 --> 00:23:36,320

[brian]: Yes,

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00:23:36,251 --> 00:23:36,551

[danee\_conley]: world

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[brian]: Yes, totally

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00:23:36,651 --> 00:23:37,691

[danee\_conley]: and have a consulting,

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[brian]: Robert.



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[danee\_conley]: fantastic work, I hear,

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00:23:39,580 --> 00:23:39,800

[brian]: Great.

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[danee\_conley]: and I was grateful enough to be brought into this

role, but

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[brian]: Yeah,

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[danee\_conley]: this role has existed for quite some time

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[brian]: Got it.

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[danee\_conley]: From my understanning, at least five years, five,

maybe seven years.

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[brian]: Got it.

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00:23:54,691 --> 00:23:56,731

[danee\_conley]: M very grateful.

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00:23:57,060 --> 00:23:57,240



[brian]: Yeah,

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00:23:57,151 --> 00:23:57,951 [danee conley]: They're excited

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00:23:58,140 --> 00:23:58,540

[brian]: good.

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[danee\_conley]: also, and I do want to point out there is what I love about working for this union. Is you do have the contractual

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[danee\_conley]: side as well as the social side. So the work that I do is around, kind of that social chain, social advocacy, pushing

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[danee\_conley]: the boundaries, Really encouraging and talking about practical ways to change what the industry could look like,

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[danee\_conley]: but then also recognize, But like people are protected under our contract, and having a union contract or being under

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[danee\_conley]: a contract allows people to maintain that level of like. What is it? The The Triangle of means right, being

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[brian]: Yes,



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00:24:45,551 --> 00:24:45,711

[danee\_conley]: able

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00:24:45,660 --> 00:24:45,820

[brian]: yes,

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[danee\_conley]: to have a roof over your head,

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[brian]: Yes,

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00:24:48,231 --> 00:24:58,171

[danee\_conley]: and like taking care of yourself and your family, and whoever, Um, and I really, I love that kind of Protection

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[danee\_conley]: aspects of it, and I also love that we're a union that goes above and beyond the legal requirement, So the

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[brian]: No

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[danee\_conley]: protections

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00:25:07,100 --> 00:25:07,820

[brian]: one's making a minimum



00:25:07,731 --> 00:25:08,071 [danee\_conley]: around

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[brian]: wage. We're not just making minimum wage in the bare

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00:25:09,691 --> 00:25:09,811

[danee\_conley]: no

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00:25:09,860 --> 00:25:10,120

[brian]: minimum

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00:25:10,091 --> 00:25:10,711

[danee\_conley]: exactly

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00:25:10,180 --> 00:25:10,960

[brian]: of health and shirts. right,

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00:25:11,771 --> 00:25:19,271

[danee\_conley]: exactly, and also that like, I am a full supporter of a D A law. but our contracts go a bit further than that right,

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00:25:19,791 --> 00:25:29,471

[danee\_conley]: and I think it's important to recognize that there is kind of the legal obligation Track which I am so grateful

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[danee\_conley]: for at the end of the day, because it's one thing

to say Okay, let's encourage change



00:25:36,760 --> 00:25:36,920 [brian]: Yeah,

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00:25:36,871 --> 00:25:43,911

[danee\_conley]: and then it's another thing to say we are actively engaging in change on the ground in those cedars, which I

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[brian]: A.

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[danee\_conley]: really

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00:25:44,100 --> 00:25:44,120

[brian]: A.

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00:25:44,471 --> 00:25:45,111 [danee conley]: am grateful for.

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00:25:45,100 --> 00:25:50,660

[brian]: that is really cool. So what I'm hearin you say is like we're codifying into our union into our laws into the. If you

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00:25:50,740 --> 00:25:51,220

[brian]: want to work

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00:25:51,171 --> 00:25:51,531

[danee\_conley]: Hm.

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[brian]: with these people, this is the kind of protection are kind of provision you're going to make for them. And so there's

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[brian]: certain places where it's like this is easy. This is black and white. And then there's other places where T's like

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[brian]: we need to talk about the encouraging space. Yea, So that's so you are right

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00:26:02,311 --> 00:26:02,511 [danee\_conley]: Yeah,

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[brian]: now about to drop. Like Bianca. Your report,

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00:26:07,751 --> 00:26:08,071

[danee\_conley]: Oh

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00:26:08,820 --> 00:26:11,060

[brian]: your report. Twenty twenty one. Is that right?

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00:26:12,071 --> 00:26:23,971

[danee\_conley]: Yes, I do wish. though that dropping a diversity report was the same as fiance. Thank you for that. By the way.

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[brian]: What



00:26:24,551 --> 00:26:25,411 [danee\_conley]: I appreciate

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[brian]: is it?

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00:26:25,571 --> 00:26:25,831

[danee\_conley]: that.

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00:26:25,580 --> 00:26:28,120

[brian]: So when you drop your report, let's just go for a second.

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[danee\_conley]: Yes,

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[brian]: you drop your report. Um, where does it go? Who sees it? What happens next? Like what is it supposed to? and I want

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[brian]: to make sure that you you acknowledge. Tis even before we came on today. Like my reports from twenty twenty one you

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[brian]: are aware of. Since then here's what's happened, But is it kind of like the way that they do? Um, you know, he'll

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[brian]: do account of unhoused people in Los Angeles in a very moment in time.



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00:26:48,471 --> 00:26:48,731 [danee\_conley]: Hm,

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00:26:49,000 --> 00:26:53,340

[brian]: This is how many unhoused people that were in the city of Los Ange, Hey go that you know. they just Burst out over the

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00:26:53,380 --> 00:26:57,300

[brian]: city and they make all the count. I can give a coupe with a number. Is that what a report is meant to be like? Here's

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00:26:57,340 --> 00:27:02,220

[brian]: the state of the Union in twenty twenty one. It doesn't mean that's where we are right now, but we want to look at here

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00:27:02,320 --> 00:27:02,940 [brian]: the places we can.

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00:27:03,351 --> 00:27:03,371 [danee\_conley]: M.

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00:27:03,440 --> 00:27:06,220

[brian]: We want to make adjustments or changes. That What that's meant to inspire?

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00:27:07,091 --> 00:27:15,871

[danee\_conley]: Yea that. and it goes a little bit further. So what we did a little differently this year as opposed to past



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[danee\_conley]: reports, is we looked at intersectional identities a lot. So looking at how, because nobody has ever one identity

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00:27:25,231 --> 00:27:35,551

[danee\_conley]: right, and so people showing up in a space are a conglomeration of all their being. This and that should be

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00:27:35,651 --> 00:27:36,291 [danee\_conley]: recognized

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00:27:36,260 --> 00:27:36,520 [brian]: Yes,

00:27:36,371 --> 00:27:45,471

[danee\_conley]: when we King about these numbers. So we look at, for example, how folks at the intersection of both race and gender

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[danee\_conley]: are experiencing hiring practices. Um. but also it does provide like those numbers of here are all the contracts

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[danee\_conley]: that went to, For example bipokfolk here, all the contracts that went to folks to our I, g, B, Q, Plus, And

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[danee\_conley]: I please know that I did not intend Nelly. leave out the tea. We are having conversations around Um, folks who

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[danee\_conley]: are trans gender, being included in the gender category

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[brian]: Got

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00:28:16,831 --> 00:28:16,911

[danee\_conley]: as

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00:28:16,860 --> 00:28:16,900

[brian]: it.

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[danee\_conley]: opposed to the sexual orientation category, And the report talks about that a little bit more, and why we made

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[danee\_conley]: that choice, M. But it's really to look at those numbers from twenty twenty one, the twenty twenty one, the season,

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00:28:31,751 --> 00:28:38,651

[danee\_conley]: and question a little bit why those. why there's

Sperities in those numbers,

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[brian]: Got it

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[danee conley]: so we can't, of course say you know this is because

of X. I. It doesn't work that way



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[brian]: Ye

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00:28:47,071 --> 00:28:47,311 [danee\_conley]: because

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00:28:47,300 --> 00:28:47,500

[brian]: right

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00:28:47,351 --> 00:28:55,551

[danee\_conley]: we can't, we. We're not in the seats in the auditial room being like we're not going to take this person because of

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00:28:55,651 --> 00:28:56,251 [danee conley]: this reason,

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00:28:56,460 --> 00:28:56,680

[brian]: Right.

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00:28:56,691 --> 00:29:01,391

[danee\_conley]: right, but we can recognize that there are disparities

in the numbers

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00:29:01,380 --> 00:29:01,900 [brian]: Well, you can look at

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[danee\_conley]: and



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[brian]: because you're saying I soryitrup like you like I can

look

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[danee\_conley]: Oh,

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00:29:04,600 --> 00:29:04,640

[brian]: at.

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00:29:04,751 --> 00:29:05,091

[danee\_conley]: please do.

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00:29:05,060 --> 00:29:07,360

[brian]: quantitatively. I can look. This is a trend.

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00:29:08,611 --> 00:29:08,931

[danee\_conley]: Hm,

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00:29:08,760 --> 00:29:13,640

[brian]: I can make some assumptions based on this trend, or I can just look at Th trend and say this is the trend, So we have

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00:29:13,660 --> 00:29:18,660

[brian]: to fix that. We have to do something about this trend. So I'm hearing you say is we're attempting to be as qualitative

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00:29:18,700 --> 00:29:21,080

[brian]: as we can be, and where we can't.



00:29:21,191 --> 00:29:21,531 [danee\_conley]: Hm,

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00:29:21,500 --> 00:29:25,980

[brian]: we are. I guess hopeful or clear that our quantity, our numbers will show.

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00:29:26,251 --> 00:29:27,231 [danee\_conley]: M, Hm,

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00:29:27,000 --> 00:29:31,520

[brian]: Maybe some of this when you're doing a report like this, Are you needing to come to the table with a thesis for Lution,

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00:29:31,720 --> 00:29:36,040

[brian]: or you're just siting at the table Like here's what we see period. I'm not going to ell you your solution yet. Let's

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[brian]: talk about this later. Like. is it that kind of vibe

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[danee\_conley]: No, I, I love that question because it is something that I find

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00:29:46,671 --> 00:29:53,451

[danee\_conley]: This trend that's happening in D. I that I'm really loving. Is it's not just about like bias mitigation. it's not

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00:29:53,511 --> 00:29:58,651

[danee conley]: about like Okay. Now you recognize your bias And



and then what? what do we do with Thatright

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[brian]: Next time? I won't talk because I'm afraid to, because

I got it wrong last time and that's what I

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00:30:00,911 --> 00:30:01,571

[danee\_conley]: Exactly

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00:30:00,920 --> 00:30:01,860

[brian]: think. a lot of people. Yeah,

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00:30:01,831 --> 00:30:02,291

[danee\_conley]: exactly

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00:30:01,980 --> 00:30:02,140

[brian]: right,

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00:30:03,451 --> 00:30:11,631

[danee\_conley]: And and like, whether be clear. Everyone gets it wrong, sometimes, everyone. I get it wrong sometimes and I

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00:30:11,711 --> 00:30:12,451 [danee\_conley]: was hired to do

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00:30:12,400 --> 00:30:12,480

[brian]: And

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00:30:12,511 --> 00:30:12,651

[danee\_conley]: this



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00:30:12,540 --> 00:30:12,800

[brian]: it's your

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00:30:12,731 --> 00:30:12,931

[danee\_conley]: work.

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00:30:12,900 --> 00:30:13,940

[brian]: job, Danny.

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00:30:14,271 --> 00:30:23,571

[danee\_conley]: It's my literal job, my literal job. So having grace for one another is so important in this. Um, but this report

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[danee\_conley]: specifically looks at the numbers themsels, and and essentially saying, Look, we are seeing Positive change over

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[danee\_conley]: time

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00:30:33,760 --> 00:30:34,240

[brian]: What are we getting

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[danee\_conley]: from

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00:30:34,280 --> 00:30:34,620

[brian]: a pre view



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00:30:34,531 --> 00:30:34,631

[danee\_conley]: the

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00:30:34,680 --> 00:30:34,960

[brian]: right now,

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00:30:34,851 --> 00:30:35,111

[danee\_conley]: twenty,

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00:30:35,040 --> 00:30:36,520

[brian]: Danny? are we getting a review right now?

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00:30:37,231 --> 00:30:39,311

[danee\_conley]: A little bit a little bit. And that's okay,

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[brian]: Okay?

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00:30:39,791 --> 00:30:41,591

[danee\_conley]: because it will come

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00:30:41,540 --> 00:30:41,660

[brian]: this

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00:30:41,711 --> 00:30:41,831

[danee\_conley]: out.

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00:30:41,720 --> 00:30:43,260

[brian]: is airing after it comes out. Yes,



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00:30:43,111 --> 00:30:47,851

[danee\_conley]: Yes, it's going to be great. I'm not releasing

any like

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00:30:47,940 --> 00:30:48,700 [brian]: No, she's not releasing

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00:30:48,431 --> 00:30:48,731

[danee\_conley]: Equity

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00:30:48,760 --> 00:30:49,060

[brian]: anything

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00:30:48,871 --> 00:30:49,251

[danee\_conley]: Secret.

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00:30:49,080 --> 00:30:53,700

[brian]: that you all wouldn't be able to look up at the moment. this drops. but I'm getting it here free on my own by myself.

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00:30:54,351 --> 00:30:55,331

[danee\_conley]: There you go, there

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[brian]: I won't

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00:30:55,371 --> 00:30:55,431

[danee\_conley]: you



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00:30:55,460 --> 00:30:55,580

[brian]: tell

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00:30:55,511 --> 00:30:55,591

[danee\_conley]: go

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[brian]: anyone

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[danee\_conley]: sneak. So yeah, we're seeing some positive change

right for like increased percentage of contracts going to by

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00:31:06,211 --> 00:31:17,531

[danee conley]: pack members. For example, However, we are still

seeing that pretty startling difference between groups still

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00:31:18,491 --> 00:31:23,711

[danee\_conley]: from year to year. That doesn't mean that progress

isn't happening. We're very excited about the progress that's

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00:31:23,731 --> 00:31:30,331

[danee\_conley]: happening, and we also recognize that progress

is slow. It takes time. a culture shift doesn't happen overnight.

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00:31:32,011 --> 00:31:38,751

[danee\_conley]: The report really does still draw attention to

the fact that there is very clear hiring biases in our industry

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[danee\_conley]: and also pay discrepancies. So there is that part of it and then the report that will be coming up after that.

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00:31:46,651 --> 00:31:53,731

[danee\_conley]: This is kind of the. If you think of like a bias mitigation course as Two part process right, identify your your

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00:31:53,771 --> 00:31:58,471

[danee\_conley]: biases and actor items for how to address them and moving forward,

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00:31:58,440 --> 00:31:59,080 [brian]: Your performance

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[danee conley]: this

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[brian]: plan.

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00:31:59,191 --> 00:31:59,311

[danee\_conley]: is

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00:31:59,400 --> 00:31:59,540

[brian]: If you

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[danee\_conley]: a

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[brian]: are getting fired, this would be your performance

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00:32:01,291 --> 00:32:01,491

[danee\_conley]: yes.

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00:32:01,300 --> 00:32:02,320

[brian]: plan. Essentially

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00:32:02,731 --> 00:32:02,931

[danee\_conley]: yes,

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00:32:03,340 --> 00:32:03,520

[brian]: right.

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00:32:03,871 --> 00:32:12,011

[danee\_conley]: Yes, Exactly so this is like a this report is. Let's look at the numbers and then the next report will be a

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[danee\_conley]: like. Best Practice is here. Now that you sat with that information and that data, let's really dive into how

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00:32:19,271 --> 00:32:21,271

[danee\_conley]: we can make the industry a better place for everybody.

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00:32:21,860 --> 00:32:24,180

[brian]: So Dan on, ask you a question, because when people are

listening

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00:32:24,111 --> 00:32:24,431



[danee\_conley]: Hm.

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00:32:24,200 --> 00:32:26,440

[brian]: to this, anyone can look at this report. Is that correct?

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00:32:26,951 --> 00:32:27,431 [danee\_conley]: Absolutely

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00:32:27,460 --> 00:32:27,600

[brian]: Where

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00:32:27,631 --> 00:32:27,771

[danee\_conley]: yes,

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00:32:27,660 --> 00:32:27,900

[brian]: can they?

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00:32:27,831 --> 00:32:28,811

[danee\_conley]: it's on our public age.

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00:32:28,780 --> 00:32:32,600

[brian]: It's on your public page, So if they went to Actors Equity,

they'd find a place to navigate to it. And do you think

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[danee\_conley]: Yes,

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[brian]: it's worth people reading it? And if you were going, O, give them like a primer on getting started to read it. What



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00:32:38,100 --> 00:32:42,180

[brian]: would you want them to hear from you? Like her? The things to look for her, the eyeballs to have on when you're reading

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00:32:42,240 --> 00:32:45,000

[brian]: it or how, your deciding to digest this,

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[danee\_conley]: Yeah, so first is some. I guess expectation setting right, So twenty twenty one mid pandemic, not that we are not

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00:32:58,611 --> 00:33:07,511

[danee\_conley]: in the pandemic, still, but a huge year in the pandemic, in which, compared to the report that you can see on

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00:33:07,571 --> 00:33:13,811

[danee\_conley]: our public page for the twenty sixteen to twenty nineteen comparison, I think there were like eighty three thousand

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00:33:14,011 --> 00:33:15,411 [danee conley]: less contract in

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00:33:15,380 --> 00:33:15,620

[brian]: Okay,

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00:33:15,511 --> 00:33:18,351

[danee\_conley]: twenty twenty, And that is a staggering number.

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00:33:18,600 --> 00:33:18,800



[brian]: Right,

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00:33:19,331 --> 00:33:26,691

[danee\_conley]: so just recognizing that the information that's in the report is a little over, I think six thousand contracts.

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00:33:26,960 --> 00:33:27,180

[brian]: Okay,

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00:33:27,371 --> 00:33:28,411 [danee\_conley]: So it really

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00:33:28,120 --> 00:33:28,780

[brian]: Oh, yeah,

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00:33:28,631 --> 00:33:28,811

[danee\_conley]: is

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00:33:29,040 --> 00:33:29,220

[brian]: wow,

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00:33:29,371 --> 00:33:33,151

[danee conley]: hard to make those kind of numerical comparison

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00:33:33,820 --> 00:33:34,180

[brian]: Hm,

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00:33:34,151 --> 00:33:42,451

[danee\_conley]: and we can still see those differences between the number, but a more typical year, Um that like twenty nineteen,



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[danee\_conley]: or even twenty tween two, which I can't really talk about yet because we know Have the number as yet,

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00:33:47,060 --> 00:33:47,220

[brian]: Right.

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[danee\_conley]: but that to set your expectations to recognize that there's just a lack of information because there really

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[danee\_conley]: was a lack of jobs in

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00:33:55,640 --> 00:33:55,740

[brian]: How,

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00:33:55,691 --> 00:34:00,211

[danee\_conley]: twenty twenty one, And that also draws back to

that like fear question that we're

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[brian]: Hm,

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00:34:00,231 --> 00:34:08,251

[danee\_conley]: talking about. The fear of change is with that

drastic of a drop in contract, there's a real fear about

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00:34:08,140 --> 00:34:08,320



[brian]: Right.

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00:34:08,351 --> 00:34:09,211 [danee\_conley]: hiring and being

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00:34:09,100 --> 00:34:09,380

[brian]: Sure,

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00:34:09,291 --> 00:34:10,131 [danee\_conley]: hired, and

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00:34:10,160 --> 00:34:10,820 [brian]: right. I wanted to

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00:34:10,811 --> 00:34:10,931

[danee\_conley]: so

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00:34:10,860 --> 00:34:12,980

[brian]: make safer choices. And what does the safe choice

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00:34:12,931 --> 00:34:13,071

[danee\_conley]: yea

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00:34:13,040 --> 00:34:14,660

[brian]: even mean? What does that even mean

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00:34:14,691 --> 00:34:15,251

[danee\_conley]: exactly



00:34:14,920 --> 00:34:16,020

[brian]: it? Yeah, right,

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00:34:16,091 --> 00:34:28,491

[danee\_conley]: Yeah, and also that that the experience of not getting contract is in because of lack of talent, right that,

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00:34:29,111 --> 00:34:37,571

[danee\_conley]: it's really about the fact that there were just significantly less job, So going into the space with that, I

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00:34:37,631 --> 00:34:47,171

[danee\_conley]: think some key take ways. Are that changes happening? The numbers aren't what we want to see. To be fair, They weren't

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00:34:47,231 --> 00:34:53,631

[danee\_conley]: going to be. I mean, from one year to the next, you're not able to really see that huge shift. But if you look

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00:34:53,691 --> 00:35:01,631

[danee\_conley]: back at like twenty thirteen, twenty fourteen, twenty fifteen, there's like real change happening which I'm

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00:35:01,711 --> 00:35:02,671 [danee conley]: very excited about

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00:35:03,700 --> 00:35:04,280 [brian]: Does your report?

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00:35:04,091 --> 00:35:04,531 [danee\_conley]: another key



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00:35:04,520 --> 00:35:04,600

[brian]: I'm

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00:35:04,631 --> 00:35:04,791

[danee\_conley]: take.

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00:35:04,640 --> 00:35:05,180 [brian]: sorry to teruptoyoubut,

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00:35:05,091 --> 00:35:05,251

[danee\_conley]: Yeah,

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00:35:05,200 --> 00:35:05,240

[brian]: as

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00:35:05,291 --> 00:35:05,451

[danee\_conley]: yeah,

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00:35:05,300 --> 00:35:11,380

[brian]: your report, take some of that history into account when

you're in your reporting are usual, great and cool. I'm like

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00:35:11,440 --> 00:35:11,700

[brian]: excited

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00:35:11,731 --> 00:35:11,911

[danee\_conley]: Yes,



00:35:11,740 --> 00:35:12,180 [brian]: to read. I. That's why

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00:35:12,211 --> 00:35:12,331

[danee\_conley]: so

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00:35:12,220 --> 00:35:14,200

[brian]: I'm asking ye.

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00:35:13,671 --> 00:35:22,691

[danee\_conley]: yeah, please, and M. yeah, so it looks at kind of comparisons between twenty, twenty, one, twenty, twenty, which

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00:35:22,711 --> 00:35:28,491

[danee\_conley]: is when the last report came out, or the last season the report was about, and then the twenty sixteen to twenty

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00:35:28,551 --> 00:35:33,251

[danee\_conley]: nineteen report, So you're able to see that change across time, which is I think so valuable.

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00:35:33,540 --> 00:35:38,680

[brian]: Yeah, yeah, so wait. you dropped a little number there and I want to jog back to it. How many in a typical? Let's

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00:35:38,651 --> 00:35:39,031

[danee\_conley]: Hm,

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00:35:38,760 --> 00:35:44,260

[brian]: pretend whatever a typical year means. how many contracts des equity see in the country These are. And this is the entire



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00:35:44,380 --> 00:35:46,200

[brian]: Us. that you're covering. when you're talking about these

contracts.

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[danee\_conley]: Yes,

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00:35:46,240 --> 00:35:46,380

[brian]: Right,

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00:35:46,511 --> 00:35:46,731

[danee\_conley]: Yes,

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00:35:46,640 --> 00:35:47,820

[brian]: How many contracts is a typical

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00:35:47,631 --> 00:35:47,771

[danee\_conley]: so

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00:35:47,900 --> 00:35:48,040

[brian]: year?

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00:35:49,671 --> 00:35:53,751

[danee conley]: that is, Yeah. So if you look at the twenty sixteen

to twenty nineteen report,

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00:35:53,860 --> 00:35:54,020

[brian]: Yeah,



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00:35:54,191 --> 00:35:59,291

[danee conley]: I believe the average for those few years was

ninety three thousand

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00:35:59,460 --> 00:35:59,940

[brian]: Okay, and

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00:35:59,951 --> 00:36:00,531 [danee\_conley]: contracts.

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00:35:59,960 --> 00:36:04,140

[brian]: does that mean if I'm the same person, I could have gotten

two contracts. That's just how many times jobs were offered

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00:36:04,311 --> 00:36:04,511

[danee\_conley]: Yes,

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00:36:04,940 --> 00:36:05,080

[brian]: right.

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00:36:05,311 --> 00:36:06,731

[danee\_conley]: it's job opportunities is

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00:36:06,760 --> 00:36:06,920

[brian]: Great.

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00:36:06,811 --> 00:36:10,371

[danee conley]: opposed to individual people getting jobs.



00:36:10,600 --> 00:36:14,900

[brian]: And what's the lowest denomination of those contracts?

Like

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00:36:14,851 --> 00:36:15,171 [danee\_conley]: Can you

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00:36:15,040 --> 00:36:15,980 [brian]: like, like a regional

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00:36:15,831 --> 00:36:16,251 [danee\_conley]: re phrase

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00:36:16,080 --> 00:36:16,440

[brian]: theater

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00:36:16,271 --> 00:36:16,671 [danee\_conley]: the question?

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00:36:16,700 --> 00:36:19,700

[brian]: or like? Is it like like? Is it? Is it an offradlike?

What? like?

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00:36:19,811 --> 00:36:20,451 [danee\_conley]: Oh, I see,

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00:36:20,700 --> 00:36:20,720

[brian]: I

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00:36:20,751 --> 00:36:20,791



[danee\_conley]: I

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[brian]: don't now

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00:36:20,891 --> 00:36:21,031

[danee\_conley]: see.

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00:36:21,140 --> 00:36:21,720 [brian]: don't have to say that

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00:36:21,791 --> 00:36:21,911

[danee\_conley]: it's

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00:36:22,100 --> 00:36:22,380

[brian]: a betta

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00:36:23,211 --> 00:36:31,131

[danee\_conley]: yeah. No, it's across across the board, so it's everything from a Broadway contract down to even like a one night

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00:36:31,191 --> 00:36:31,771

[danee\_conley]: cabaret

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00:36:32,080 --> 00:36:32,220

[brian]: Got

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00:36:32,251 --> 00:36:33,591

[danee\_conley]: that's under an equity contract.



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00:36:33,500 --> 00:36:36,000

[brian]: got a great got got. So I think that elpfulithink. that

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00:36:36,011 --> 00:36:36,331

[danee\_conley]: Hm,

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00:36:36,100 --> 00:36:42,500

[brian]: also is information that's helpful as we're looking at

it. So what is your? You have a hopeful response from this report

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00:36:42,560 --> 00:36:46,720

[brian]: Like, Do you have a hopeful like, Are you gonna get a bunch of emailstatlike? what's going to happen on the day your

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00:36:46,800 --> 00:36:47,300

[brian]: album drops?

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00:36:48,991 --> 00:36:55,031

[danee\_conley]: Um, I really appreciate this continual continual

likeness to be on face.

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00:36:55,040 --> 00:36:55,260

[brian]: Yes,

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00:36:55,891 --> 00:36:58,151

[danee conley]: I'm going to take it. I'm goin to ride with it

very excited

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00:36:57,920 --> 00:36:58,120

[brian]: great,



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00:36:58,191 --> 00:37:00,471 [danee\_conley]: about it. M. yeah,

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00:37:00,700 --> 00:37:00,760

[brian]: So

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00:37:00,751 --> 00:37:00,891

[danee\_conley]: so

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00:37:00,820 --> 00:37:02,040

[brian]: people re gonna listen and be mystified

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00:37:01,751 --> 00:37:02,211

[danee\_conley]: luckily,

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00:37:02,060 --> 00:37:03,660

[brian]: and in love with your album at the same time.

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00:37:04,511 --> 00:37:06,211

[danee\_conley]: Oh, I hope not

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00:37:06,200 --> 00:37:07,080

[brian]: Uh, uh,

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00:37:07,111 --> 00:37:08,751

[danee\_conley]: in love yet. mystified. No,

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00:37:09,060 --> 00:37:09,580



[brian]: I was like. Where

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00:37:09,611 --> 00:37:09,831

[danee\_conley]: what?

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00:37:09,620 --> 00:37:11,640

[brian]: does one track end? Where does one track start? I don't

care.

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00:37:11,571 --> 00:37:11,691

[danee\_conley]: No,

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00:37:11,680 --> 00:37:12,060

[brian]: I love it

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00:37:12,071 --> 00:37:12,171

[danee\_conley]: No,

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00:37:12,100 --> 00:37:12,200

[brian]: all.

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00:37:13,531 --> 00:37:17,551

[danee\_conley]: the I is not a place for mystery May be clear.

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00:37:17,380 --> 00:37:18,020

[brian]: Got it. Got it,

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00:37:18,951 --> 00:37:25,991

[danee\_conley]: So essentially the what I'm really excited about as part of this report is, there is a section on looking ahead



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00:37:26,631 --> 00:37:34,231

[danee\_conley]: so readers will not only get the information from twenty twenty one, but they'll be clue into what's coming next?

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00:37:35,171 --> 00:37:42,931

[danee\_conley]: How what the what our key take aways from this, and how we could move forward, and also a contact information

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00:37:43,251 --> 00:37:44,271

[danee\_conley]: in case you want to reach out.

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00:37:44,720 --> 00:37:44,860

[brian]: Got

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00:37:44,911 --> 00:37:45,091

[danee\_conley]: Uh,

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00:37:44,980 --> 00:37:45,040

[brian]: it?

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00:37:45,471 --> 00:37:57,511

[danee\_conley]: so yeah, it's really I am about transparency.

Am about making sure that if you, I don't want anyone to look

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00:37:57,711 --> 00:38:05,711

[danee\_conley]: at equity is the department and saying that wasn't made for me because it was it Made for everyone, and that's the

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00:38:06,211 --> 00:38:07,911



[danee\_conley]: The vibes again. But I'm

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00:38:07,920 --> 00:38:08,020

[brian]: It's

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00:38:07,991 --> 00:38:08,351

[danee\_conley]: trying

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00:38:08,060 --> 00:38:08,380

[brian]: my fault,

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00:38:08,431 --> 00:38:16,691

[danee\_conley]: to also encourage at equity Is whoever wants to work on an equity contract should be able to look at equity and

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00:38:16,791 --> 00:38:21,171

[danee\_conley]: say Okay, The things they are doing are built

with me in my.

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00:38:22,700 --> 00:38:22,880

[brian]: God,

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00:38:22,731 --> 00:38:23,031

[danee\_conley]: and that's

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00:38:22,940 --> 00:38:22,960

[brian]: a

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00:38:23,071 --> 00:38:23,471

[danee\_conley]: really the.



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00:38:24,160 --> 00:38:24,500

[brian]: beautiful,

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00:38:24,411 --> 00:38:25,591

[danee\_conley]: I think a big take away for

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00:38:25,640 --> 00:38:26,000

[brian]: beautiful,

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00:38:25,651 --> 00:38:25,711

[danee\_conley]: me.

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00:38:26,680 --> 00:38:31,740

[brian]: and when just so that, I'm extra clear, So we dropped

the album and we have a little bit of a tray.

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00:38:31,731 --> 00:38:32,131

[danee\_conley]: Hm,

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00:38:31,960 --> 00:38:35,820

[brian]: We have a little bit of a tray or two. When you're going to drop the performance plan later, that's goin to come later

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00:38:35,880 --> 00:38:36,180

[brian]: this year.

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00:38:36,211 --> 00:38:36,411

[danee\_conley]: Yes,



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00:38:36,220 --> 00:38:37,700

[brian]: Is that what I's goin look like? Got it great?

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00:38:38,171 --> 00:38:38,331

[danee\_conley]: yes,

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00:38:38,300 --> 00:38:43,100

[brian]: Yeah, and are you in a given year? So now you're in twenty

twenty three. Are you looking?

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00:38:43,131 --> 00:38:43,431

[danee\_conley]: Hm,

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00:38:43,260 --> 00:38:47,720

[brian]: Is there something you're doing to track what's happening in the given moment? or is it more like you have to do this work

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00:38:48,660 --> 00:38:54,560

[brian]: in a historical lens? Does that make sense when I say that because day to day Maybe seeing things that are not trending

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00:38:54,600 --> 00:38:59,380

[brian]: or you're not finding a trend? Is it something you always have to look back at? Can you let me in a little bit there on

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00:38:59,420 --> 00:38:59,920

[brian]: how that works?

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00:39:00,531 --> 00:39:09,211

[danee\_conley]: Yeah, yeah, I have to look at both the day to



day and the big picture. I think that this kind of work can be

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00:39:09,311 --> 00:39:20,511

[danee\_conley]: really scary and really messy, And there are going to be some days that are better than others right. So there are

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00:39:20,571 --> 00:39:30,711

[danee\_conley]: days where I absolutely leave work and I'm like that was heavy, right and there are some days I'm like, You know

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00:39:30,731 --> 00:39:38,371

[danee\_conley]: what I'm going to focus on today, making sure that our members know who to reach out to for mental health care

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00:39:39,340 --> 00:39:39,620

[brian]: Got it?

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00:39:39,671 --> 00:39:43,211

[danee\_conley]: right, and that really fills me, Both fill me in a very different way.

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00:39:43,660 --> 00:39:43,920

[brian]: Sure,

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00:39:43,971 --> 00:39:52,691

[danee\_conley]: Um, so absolutely, there are days where there's just so many things that pop up that I always joke that there

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00:39:52,731 --> 00:39:59,191

[danee\_conley]: are some mornings where I get like a message through

my email. That's like you have seven hours of meetings today.



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00:40:00,371 --> 00:40:03,311

[danee\_conley]: Some of those beemails and I'm like, maybe

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00:40:03,080 --> 00:40:05,000

[brian]: Is that a real thing that your email does to you?

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00:40:04,971 --> 00:40:06,631 [danee\_conley]: it's incredible. It's

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00:40:06,500 --> 00:40:06,800

[brian]: I need

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00:40:06,731 --> 00:40:07,251 [danee conley]: incredible.

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00:40:06,840 --> 00:40:07,000

[brian]: that

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00:40:07,351 --> 00:40:11,671

[danee\_conley]: I love. I have. I can tell these emails, but I'm

like a thought

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00:40:11,700 --> 00:40:12,080

[brian]: Good talk.

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00:40:13,491 --> 00:40:21,831

[danee\_conley]: and there are some days where ahead of time I will schedule. I put in my calendar focus time, because I need



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00:40:21,911 --> 00:40:29,411

[danee\_conley]: to have those moments where I look at the bigger

picture and say Okay Yesterday felt heavy, but it's all part

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[danee\_conley]: of this Plan towards making sure that people can show up at their jobs and show up at audition and say I can live

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[danee\_conley]: my best life, right, I can thrive and that we're

part of it.

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[brian]: Yeah,

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[danee\_conley]: So it is like, As long as I maintain that part

of it, things don't feel is as intent.

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[brian]: That's beautiful. The one to trace back to something you said. I'm not going to get it right and you don't have to

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[brian]: repeat yourself, But you said I wanted to be that everyone

feels like there's a place for them here that they can reach

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[brian]: out to

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00:41:02,651 --> 00:41:02,931 [danee\_conley]: Hm,

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[brian]: me that there, and this is a place where that they also want to just like what I took from that even was and you might

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[brian]: not have even said it this way is like. this is a place where you can work like this is this. Equity is for you like

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[brian]: equity is for you. it's created for you. This is

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[danee conley]: Yeah,

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[brian]: a place where you can work. so whatever, and I know that that takes courage in our darkest moments when we're challenged

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[brian]: by something. so one. Just actually, it's so easy to just believe There's a place where if you have an addition for

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[brian]: a long time, we know that there are logs all that When you're also dealing

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00:41:29,171 --> 00:41:29,591 [danee\_conley]: Absolutely



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[brian]: with this other layer of this that it can feel um, extra tough. And so I just appreciate that we have a champion

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[danee\_conley]: Yeah.

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[brian]: like you hear, Danny, for people to reach out to when

they have this moment like that, And so your team

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00:41:39,511 --> 00:41:39,931 [danee\_conley]: Thank you.

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[brian]: for sure, and is your team all over the country as well, And they're dealing with the same kinds of request, Or you're

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[brian]: figuring this person is really good at this

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[danee\_conley]: Yeah.

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[brian]: thing or how does that? How does that work? A little

bit?

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[danee\_conley]: So I am, actually the way that the department structure works is the D and I department is under. How do? It's

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[danee\_conley]: so weird that like you know, departmental think

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[brian]: Sure,

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 $[{\rm danee\_conley}]{:}\ {\rm were\ also\ under\ discrimination\ and\ harassment}$ 

prevention.

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[brian]: Okay,

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[danee\_conley]: So it really is working in tandem. So the I believe

most of the team works out of New York

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[brian]: Got

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[danee\_conley]: again

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[brian]: it

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[danee\_conley]: in the age of

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[brian]: in the age

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[danee\_conley]: digital

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[brian]: of? Do I even

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[danee\_conley]: Virtual.

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[brian]: know

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[danee\_conley]: Yeah, I pretty sure that

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[brian]: You're like They

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[danee\_conley]: we

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[brian]: work in that room



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[danee\_conley]: of

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[brian]: where

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[danee\_conley]: New

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[brian]: I

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[danee\_conley]: York,

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[brian]: see the kiddy cat in the background. Sometimes that's

where they

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[danee\_conley]: Exactly which

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[brian]: got.

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[danee\_conley]: that's the best part of our boat work is all the

pets that

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[brian]: Yes,

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[danee\_conley]: pop up

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[brian]: right. totally

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00:42:34,131 --> 00:42:34,691 [danee\_conley]: favorite park.

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[brian]: yes.

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[danee\_conley]: M. Yeah, so, but also recognizing that like we can have someone, This is what I mean by. I'm really grateful

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[danee\_conley]: for the network that Equity really is and is living into which is I can contact someone on the who works in. Lets

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[danee\_conley]: the L a office and say hey, we're having this Issue. Can I talk to you about it? It's a regional specific issue

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[danee\_conley]: and more likely than not, they'll be like great, Put something on my calendar, or I'm free right now. Let's talk



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[danee\_conley]: about it or let's do a virtual coffee chat or

whatever,

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[brian]: Yeah, that's

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[danee\_conley]: so

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[brian]: great.

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[danee\_conley]: spread out, but also Cohesive.

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[brian]: Connected, A connected. a case

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[danee\_conley]: Yeah,

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[brian]: of Yeah, I've got two questions left for you. One of

them is going to be kind of tough,

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[danee\_conley]: Hm,

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[brian]: and the other one gonna be easy. Let me start the tough one there. In twenty twenty, we all had a

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00:43:28,851 --> 00:43:29,131 [danee\_conley]: Hm,

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[brian]: much needed doubling down on the reckoning that this country has to have our own racism, And there

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00:43:34,151 --> 00:43:34,431 [danee\_conley]: Hm,

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[brian]: was a very vocal thankfully community in the theater world, primarily in Broadway. Is your position?

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[brian]: Do you find yourself in a position of like a politically charged seat where you're having to respond to things like that.

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00:43:47,980 --> 00:43:48,180 [brian]: Can you

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[danee\_conley]: M,



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[brian]: tell me a little bit about that in a? in whatever way feels safe to you to share with us

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[danee\_conley]: Yea, I am, and I think a big part of that has to like comes from the fact that again people in this industry

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[danee\_conley]: who are going for contract, they're not just the majority aren't just following their dream right. It's like you

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[danee\_conley]: said. I feel like everyone who was a theater kid in high school was faced with that question is like okay, But

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[danee\_conley]: what's going to be your real job?

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[brian]: Right,

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[danee conley]: And we're like What? this is a real job?

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[brian]: yeah,

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[danee\_conley]: Um, so



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[danee\_conley]: I always recognize that when we're bringing ourselves

into our workplaces, no matter what that workplace is, we're

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[danee\_conley]: going to come across things like racismsexism,

abilismsizism. There's all sorts of things that are going to

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[danee\_conley]: impact the way that we interacted people. And I think that's really heightened in an industry like the theater,

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[danee\_conley]: because everyone's on display all the time. It's

literally the name of the game.

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[brian]: Yeah,

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[danee\_conley]: Um, and so Yes, Absolutely feel bigger questions like that, like reaching out. I've had members who have reached

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[danee\_conley]: out and said, Hey, the website mentions antiracism.

I don't know what that is, and then we

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[brian]: M.

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[danee\_conley]: have to take a moment and say Oh, okay, maybe we should have some conversations around what that is, and not

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[danee\_conley]: just like putting it out there and saying,

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[brian]: M.

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[danee\_conley]: Oh, people will understand

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[brian]: Oh,

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[danee\_conley]: right because it's such a nebulous thing And it's

constantly changing and it has to, as we're growing

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[brian]: Hm,

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[danee\_conley]: And so I love those emails, but are

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[brian]: Yeah,

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[danee\_conley]: like, hey, um, I'm not getting what I need to be getting

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[brian]: Yeah,

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[danee\_conley]: from this union and I'm like, Yes, thank you. Okay. let's figure out how we can get to a place as a union.

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[danee\_conley]: So you're getting what you need to be getting, And that's what I love about that. Like both contractual and

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[danee conley]: social

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[brian]: Yeah,

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[danee\_conley]: right that it's not just It's I think it's essential to be able too negotiate good working conditions for people.

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[danee\_conley]: I think it's absolutely necessary and a huge part of what we do, but it's also being called in to conversation

of what we do, but it a died being caned in to conv

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[danee\_conley]: around how we can better ourselves, because I

don't. I wouldn't feel comfortable being in the position I'm



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[danee\_conley]: in without recognizing that I still have things

to work on for myself to.

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[brian]: Yeah,

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[danee\_conley]: So Yeah, absolutely feel the bigger questions,

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[brian]: Yeah.

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[danee\_conley]: and sometimes I I'm not really hesitant to say,

like I don't know

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[brian]: Got

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[danee\_conley]: for

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[brian]: it.

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[danee\_conley]: certain things, and



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[brian]: Got

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[danee\_conley]: so

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[brian]: it.

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[danee\_conley]: like, let's figure it out together and that's

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[brian]: Yeah,

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[danee conley]: what. I. That's my favorite part.

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[brian]: That's beautiful. so you're kind of leaving you dovetail right into the question I want to ask is I want to empower listeners

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[brian]: because you've been very empowering. I think to like when like this is when you reach out. Can you give? Kind of this

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[brian]: is? this might be a tough question, but like how to know

it's time to reach out or when you should, or you know an encouraging



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[brian]: word to people. Um, Because also how

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[danee\_conley]: M.

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[brian]: do you like for me? For me we make fun of, make fun of

my fancy

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[danee\_conley]: Hm.

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[brian]: for saying for me all the time. I am I having a bad day

or is this a real thing? Could

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[danee\_conley]: Oh

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[brian]: A question that could make you go mind bogglingly

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[danee\_conley]: h.

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[brian]: crazy

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00:47:17,011 --> 00:47:17,031 [danee\_conley]: H.

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[brian]: on like make you down to mental health health disaster? Because am I really seeing this? You start to question your sanity

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[brian]: or is this me? Can you speak to that and to help anyone listening?

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[danee\_conley]: Oh,

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[brian]: who? for let's hope that that none

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[danee\_conley]: Yeah,

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[brian]: of they're not experiencing anything bad, But the day

that if it ever happens, and or if

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[danee\_conley]: Yeah,

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[brian]: they want to celebrate something

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[danee\_conley]: yeah,

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[brian]: that they would know, it's time to give you a show.

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[danee\_conley]: Yeah, let me do a quick digression.

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[brian]: Yeah,

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[danee\_conley]: I promise is pertinent.

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[brian]: great.

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[danee\_conley]: So please always know that resources like the Entertainment community fund exist if you are going through any

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[danee\_conley]: mental health crises or having those experiences that you know Mental health, and and having having that support

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[danee\_conley]: is something that's really important to me. And

so it's there. If that is, you know, I just want to. I don't

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[danee\_conley]: want to like, but I pass

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[brian]: Yeah,

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[danee\_conley]: the like

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[brian]: I'm so

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[danee\_conley]: mental

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[brian]: glad you

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[danee\_conley]: health

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[brian]: didn't

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[danee\_conley]: part of it.

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[brian]: and we will link to that in the show Notes. That's our wonderful organization we all used to know as the Actors



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00:48:21,411 --> 00:48:21,631 [danee\_conley]: Great,

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[brian]: fund. right.

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[danee\_conley]: wonderful, thank you. The answer to that question is I Love chatting with people about, which is actually so surprising

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[danee\_conley]: to me because of a very, very outgoing in my work that I do very interverting in my own personal life, which I

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[danee\_conley]: hilarious, Like this balance, Um that I love hearing where people are at, so always reach out. Is you have questions

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[danee\_conley]: about Di equity? Whether you remember whether you're thinking about becoming a member, You are on the production

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[danee\_conley]: side of things, Whether you're a student who's interested in these conversations, Um, any part of that also

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[danee\_conley]: reach out. is you're finding some kind of inequity in the work that you're doing in the industry. I think what's



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[danee\_conley]: really lovely about our union is while we are negotiating contracts or member, it kind of trickles out right.

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[danee\_conley]: So Ating having contracts that demand a certain caliber of working spaces benefits everyone in those working

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[danee\_conley]: spaces, whether they're members or not. So it doesn't make sense to me, said not to not hear from people who

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[danee\_conley]: aren't members. And I think that's why if you go to our web page and go to the diversity page, our email is

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[danee\_conley]: there, My team? My whole team has eyes on that email so that everyone can Can look at it, So always reach out

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[danee\_conley]: if there's an issue, but also reach out of there something to celebrate.

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[brian]: Yeah,

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[danee\_conley]: Like you said Right, if you. if you're like, Hey, I worked in Equity contract, or I worked at this theater and



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[danee\_conley]: was blown away by the work that they're doing to advance equity inclusion and justice, belonging Diversity.

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[danee\_conley]: What have you? We absolutely want to hear about

it,

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[brian]: Got

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00:50:28,611 --> 00:50:28,931 [danee\_conley]: because

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[brian]: it,

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[danee\_conley]: I fully believe In sniping ideas in

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[brian]: Uh,

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[danee\_conley]: this way.

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[brian]: uh,



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[danee\_conley]: not not, but like copyright in Fridgebrick

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[brian]: Totally

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[danee\_conley]: way, To

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[brian]: tally.

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[danee\_conley]: be very clear, but it be like Okey, This theater was created this initiative right, and I'm like. Oh, imagine

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[danee\_conley]: it. that initiative was on a large scale. Right, How many people this could impact So I I love hearing it all

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00:50:58,571 --> 00:50:58,831 [danee conley]: you know,

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[brian]: Also, thank you, Deny. this is a really, really wonderful conversation. I reallyappreciate your openness with how things

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[brian]: work at your desk. Every day. you know you have on the line your job and your job. That is such a big mission for yourself



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[brian]: personally, which is very apparent in this conversation,

and also

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00:51:13,111 --> 00:51:13,131

[danee\_conley]: M,

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00:51:13,260 --> 00:51:19,680

[brian]: for this huge community of actors who are not always working and sometimes are working, and you saying so clearly,

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00:51:20,200 --> 00:51:25,440

[brian]: I want to hear from you at all of the all of the dots in your journey, And so I want everyone to just hear that you

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00:51:25,480 --> 00:51:28,920

[brian]: know where to find it. Well, link to everything into

the show notes and I can't

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00:51:29,171 --> 00:51:29,271

[danee\_conley]: And

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00:51:29,180 --> 00:51:29,240

[brian]: Go.

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00:51:29,431 --> 00:51:30,151

[danee\_conley]: also stage

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00:51:29,860 --> 00:51:30,000

[brian]: Yeah,



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00:51:30,231 --> 00:51:31,611 [danee\_conley]: managers, not to

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00:51:31,520 --> 00:51:31,980

[brian]: Oh,

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00:51:31,691 --> 00:51:32,051 [danee\_conley]: factories,

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00:51:32,040 --> 00:51:32,220

[brian]: that's

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00:51:32,131 --> 00:51:32,271

[danee\_conley]: just

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00:51:32,420 --> 00:51:32,780

[brian]: right.

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00:51:32,771 --> 00:51:33,611 [danee\_conley]: just for folks.

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00:51:34,100 --> 00:51:34,240

[brian]: Yeah,

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00:51:34,271 --> 00:51:36,851

[danee\_conley]: I don't want to. I don't want our stage managers

to



00:51:37,620 --> 00:51:38,380

[brian]: That's so wild

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00:51:38,271 --> 00:51:38,531

[danee\_conley]: feel

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00:51:38,440 --> 00:51:38,640

[brian]: because

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00:51:38,731 --> 00:51:38,871

[danee\_conley]: like

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00:51:38,800 --> 00:51:39,020

[brian]: I will,

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00:51:38,911 --> 00:51:39,551

[danee\_conley]: they're not heard.

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00:51:40,100 --> 00:51:45,240

[brian]: as the person who was an actor right and works with actors. we always feel like stage managers are the bosses, and so we

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00:51:45,280 --> 00:51:49,040

[brian]: don't think about them always as being part of our same

union. right? So I really want to make sure everyone

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00:51:48,971 --> 00:51:49,111

[danee\_conley]: No,

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00:51:49,120 --> 00:51:56,600



[brian]: hears that right. So that vive. there is that vibe picking up the word again Right? So just being aware

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00:51:56,731 --> 00:51:56,891

[danee\_conley]: Love

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00:51:56,900 --> 00:51:57,060

[brian]: of

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00:51:57,011 --> 00:51:57,051

[danee\_conley]: it.

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00:51:57,860 --> 00:52:00,500

[brian]: this is all. this is all our union. This is all our union.

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00:52:01,251 --> 00:52:01,631

[danee conley]: Hm,

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00:52:01,560 --> 00:52:05,900

[brian]: den. thank you for everything you do and for this conversation

and I am so excited. Pole, listen

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00:52:05,851 --> 00:52:06,031

[danee\_conley]: Thank

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00:52:05,940 --> 00:52:06,200

[brian]: in. check

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00:52:06,111 --> 00:52:06,251



[danee\_conley]: you.

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00:52:06,260 --> 00:52:11,340

[brian]: out that report. I know that we will be in touch. and is there anything else you want to? If anybody wants to reach

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00:52:11,380 --> 00:52:14,700

[brian]: out to you again, You said It's most easiest to find

you on that website. Is the anything else you need to let anybody

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00:52:14,740 --> 00:52:15,000

[brian]: know about

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00:52:15,031 --> 00:52:15,211

[danee\_conley]: Yes,

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00:52:15,040 --> 00:52:15,540

[brian]: how to find?

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00:52:17,331 --> 00:52:18,771

[danee\_conley]: Ah, no,

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00:52:19,040 --> 00:52:19,160

[brian]: No

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00:52:19,331 --> 00:52:19,551

[danee\_conley]: please,

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00:52:19,440 --> 00:52:19,720

[brian]: great



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00:52:19,611 --> 00:52:29,251

[danee\_conley]: just felfrey. Don't hesitate to reach out. I mean, please know that like I have all sorts of things going on at

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00:52:29,311 --> 00:52:31,191

[danee\_conley]: any time, but I always respond.

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00:52:32,380 --> 00:52:34,900

[brian]: Thank you, Danny. Thank you so much for so grateful to

have you here to day and for

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00:52:34,931 --> 00:52:34,951

[danee\_conley]: M.

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00:52:34,940 --> 00:52:36,720

[brian]: the work you do. All right all,

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00:52:36,791 --> 00:52:37,111 [danee\_conley]: thank you

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00:52:37,180 --> 00:52:37,280

[brian]: See

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00:52:37,191 --> 00:52:37,271

[danee\_conley]: so

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00:52:37,300 --> 00:52:37,360

[brian]: you



1045 00:52:37,371 --> 00:52:37,551 [danee\_conley]: much.

1046 00:52:37,420 --> 00:52:37,760 [brian]: next time.