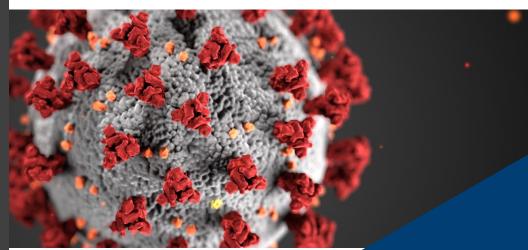
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WELCOME

This is CHOIR's collective effort for expressing and documenting our extraordinary, lived experiences in the time of COVID-19.

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SOCIAL DISTANCING GRAPHICS



I created a series of social distancing graphics and made them <u>available online</u>. To my amazement, they've received over 500 downloads to date.

CHRISTINE HARTMANN

COVID-19 FAMILY PROJECTS



Building lap desks from butcher block and trunk of fallen tree for kids' online school set-up (above), and early start to our annual kitchen garden (below).



GUNEET JASUJA





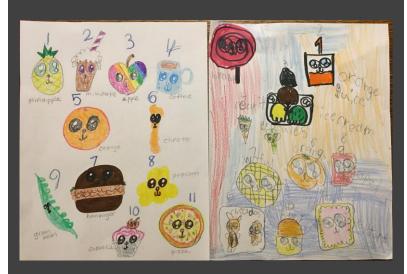
My nerdy tabletop games have been on hiatus, but assembling and painting models has been a relaxing way to pass the time!

CHRIS MILLER



We moved to a new house in the middle of the pandemic. Luckily it has an indoor swimming pool for rainy days.

TOM BYRNE



My daughter and I drew cutie foods on the back of grant summary statements today. Highly recommended for offsetting any sour notes.

JENNY SULLIVAN

Three pictures taken outside in the last week while physically distancing and walking alone or with my immediate family:







- 1. Magnolia tree in gorgeous bloom
- 2. Snake sunning itself on a trail where we walk
- 3. Daffodils bravely coming up

These are signs that Spring comes anyway, coronavirus or not.

KAREN QUIGLEY

CHOIR WFH Bingo

Only hear every fifth word but get the gist	Music plays when someone goes on 'hold'	Turn off video so you can eat	Negotiate with new "coworkers" for use of space with the best video background	Your Grandma was right, going for a walk is nice
Someone playing around with their virtual background	Start thinking about what drink you'll have for Virtual Happy Hour before noon	Can you hear me now?	Realize you can no longer roll your eyes because your VANTS call is now a video chat	(child/pet joins the call)
New coworkers drop by to demand food, bathroom breaks, entertainment	Take a call from the bathroom because that's the only quiet space	Free Space Touched your face on video call	Interrupting each other and then saying Sorry you go first	Call interrupted by package/takeout/grocery delivery
Can't connect to network	Awkward silence	(Sound of someone typing, possibly with a hammer)	Long to go into the office for your dual monitor setup	VANTS busy signal
Attend meeting where attire ranges from bow ties to t-shirts (hopefully everyone was wearing pants)	Muting all just doesn't mute all	ls on the call?	Give yourself a break, we're all trying our best	What day is it?

For a little comic relief, reflect on your work calls and play CHOIR Work From Home Bingo.

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