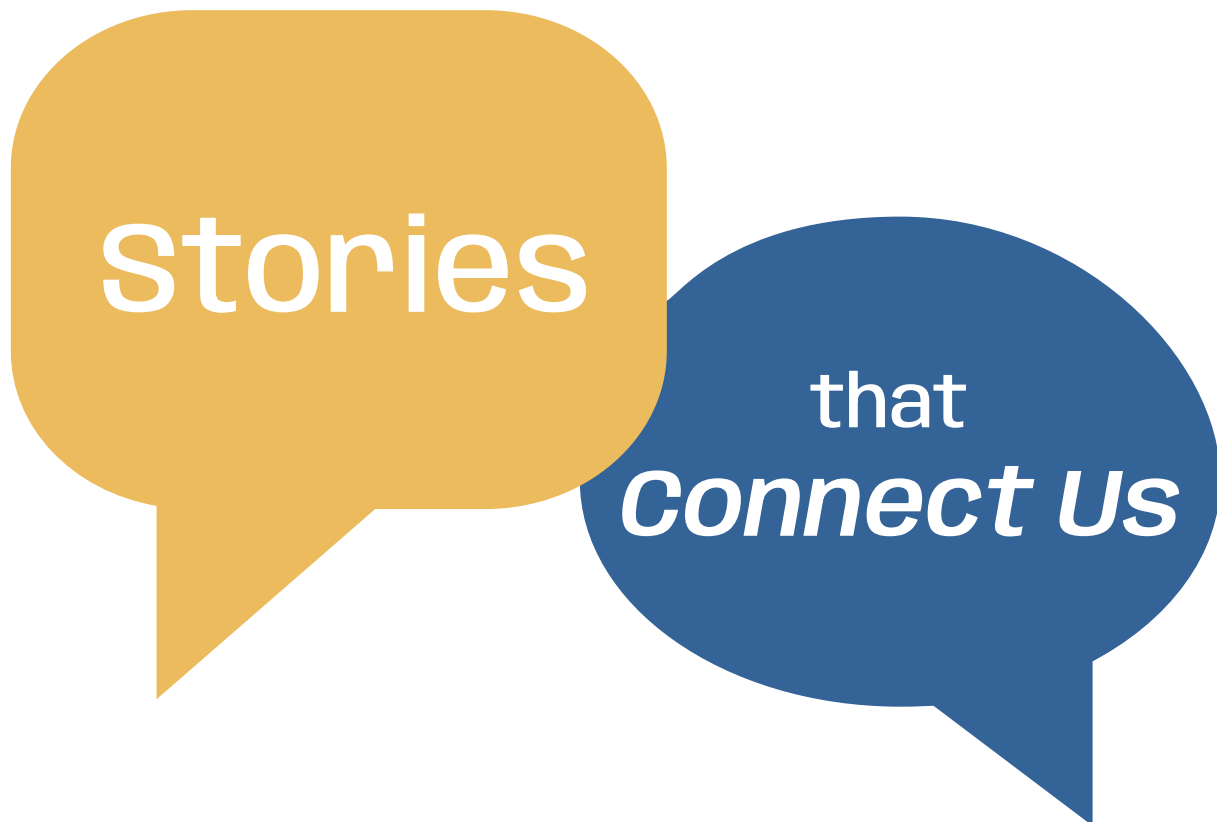


Volunteers needed for an Intergenerational Project



Would you like to share stories from your life with a University of Tennessee Knoxville design student?

In this project, you would take part in a series of conversations with the University of Tennessee graphic design students. The students will then create graphic designs /art that visually communicate the stories you have shared.

At the end of the project, the designs inspired by the stories you have shared will be featured in a one-evening gallery exhibition at Kerns Food Hall on Friday, December 4, from 5–7 p.m.

Conversations will take place in September and October 2026, via phone or video call. Participation is voluntary. As a thank-you for your time and participation, you will receive a gift card provided through the University of Tennessee's CURCI program.

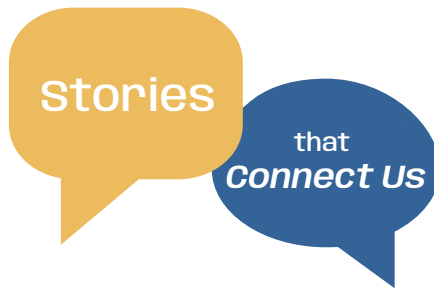
We hope these designs will honor the stories you share and help bring them to a wider audience. Through the exhibition, we hope your stories will inspire others in our community and create opportunities for connection across generations.

If you would like to participate, please sign-up: at The John T. O'Connor Senior Center front desk, or call the O'Connor Center at 865-523-1135

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Thank you for your interest in participating!

Participation is completely voluntary. Conversations will take place in September and October via phone or video call, depending on your preference. By filling out the interest form below, you are giving permission for Assistant Professor Kimberly Mitchell to contact you for an initial conversation about the project. Her number is 928-380-9810. You may also be contacted by our graduate research assistants, April Overholt or Matthew Spitler.

If you're still interested after we talk, you'll be paired with a design student for 6–8 weeks of ongoing conversations. During that time, you'll get to know one another and share stories and experiences. The student will then create a visual design inspired by your conversations, which will be shared at a final exhibition celebrating intergenerational connection.

Name:

Phone Number:

Email address:

Best time to reach you:

**To best partner you with a student,
what hobbies and/or interests do you enjoy?:**

