

Every Voice Now Trailer

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Maila 00:02

So, Ed, you've been connected to publishing for more than 20 years in some way. You've been an editor, a reporter, and author just to name a few of your roles. And all these conversations we're having these days about the publishing industry being so white, has that always been the case in your 20 years of experience?

Ed 00:22

I guess it depends on how you frame it. I try to look at things from the more hopeful positive side, that things are changing, or we're making progress. But if I have to be blunt, and honest, it's been pretty white.

Maila 00:36

That's why the Every Voice Now podcast matters. It's our way of saying, we know change is slow. And there needs to be intentional and new ways for publishers to highlight authors of color. That's why we're going to be doing this podcast.

Ed 00:50

That's right. In each episode, you'll hear an inspiring story from an author of color who has gone through the gauntlet of getting published, and you'll find out what kinds of obstacles they had to overcome, which often are different from that of white authors. You'll hear what motivated and move them to write about the topics they're writing about, whether it's an author like Esau McCaulley, who wrote the book *Reading While Black*, or Chandra Crane writing on the topic of mixed ethnicity, identity in her book *Mixed Blessing*. Or Robert Chao Romero talking about *Brown Church*, just to give a little preview for what is to come.

Maila 01:23

What I'm most excited about is we're not just talking about the book, and the content too, which I think a lot of these authors do on a lot of podcasts interview--they're sharing about why they wrote the book or what the book is about. But we really get to hear a lot of stories of their journey long before even thinking about a book, what led them to really getting their book published. So that's super exciting for me.

Ed 01:44

And we'll have some interesting surprises and twists along the way. Maybe one of our authors has even been on the Billboard charts. We'll get some good behind the scenes info on what goes into the making of these Intervarsity Press books.

Maila 02:02

Well, I hope that gets you guys excited for what's ahead because the Every Voice Now podcast launches on October 26. So stay tuned and subscribe so you don't miss a single episode.