

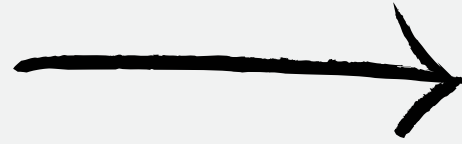
CYCLE OF HISTORY REPEATED: THE DREAMERS' WAITING GAME

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ABSTRACT

1960



Now (2000s)

“Foreigners” and “Criminals”

Dreamers live in a waiting game where they do not know if at any moment this program could be taken away from them and the life they built in the United States goes away.




Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals

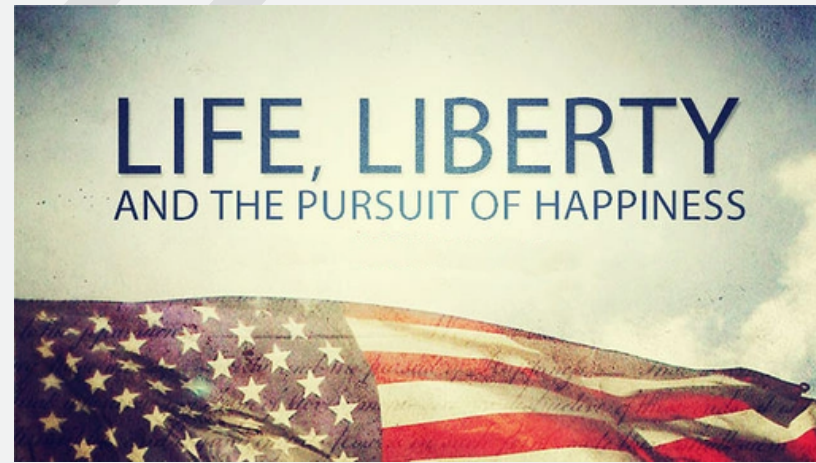




NATIVISM

- **Nativism describes an attitude that favors established residents over immigrants, inspired by fear and anger.**
 - **Nativism is a cancer**
 - **Federation for American Immigration Reform (FAIR)**
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THE BEGINNING



- Chinese Exclusion Act of 1882
- Plenary Power Doctrine
 - “has allowed Congress to create, as even the Supreme Court described, ‘laws that would be unacceptable if applied to citizens’” (Ngai 12)

THE GREAT DEPRESSION AND WORLD WARS

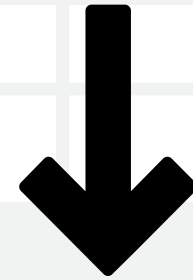
- “The Depression tended to further complicate that uncertainty, often adding yet more fuel to the fires of anti-Semitism and generating complaints like that of Representative Martin Dies of Texas... who blamed the whole Depression on immigrants” (Shrag 149)
 - Deportations
- World War II
 - 1942: The Emergency Labor Program
 - Bracero Program



DACA

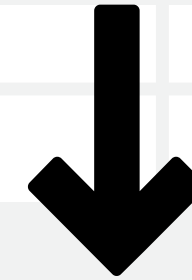
- Dream Act of 2001
- Barack Obama: DACA (2017)
 - Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals
- “Dreamers”
- Benefits
 - A work permit, licensing, school attendance, and protection from deportation.
- They cannot receive amnesty, a path to citizenship, voting or federal benefits such as food stamps, financial aid and health coverage through DACA.
- Threats on DACA

INTERVIEWS OF DREAMERS



KARMEN

- 28 years old
- born in Nayarit Mexico
- immigrated to the United States in 2000, when she was 4 years old.



LYDIA

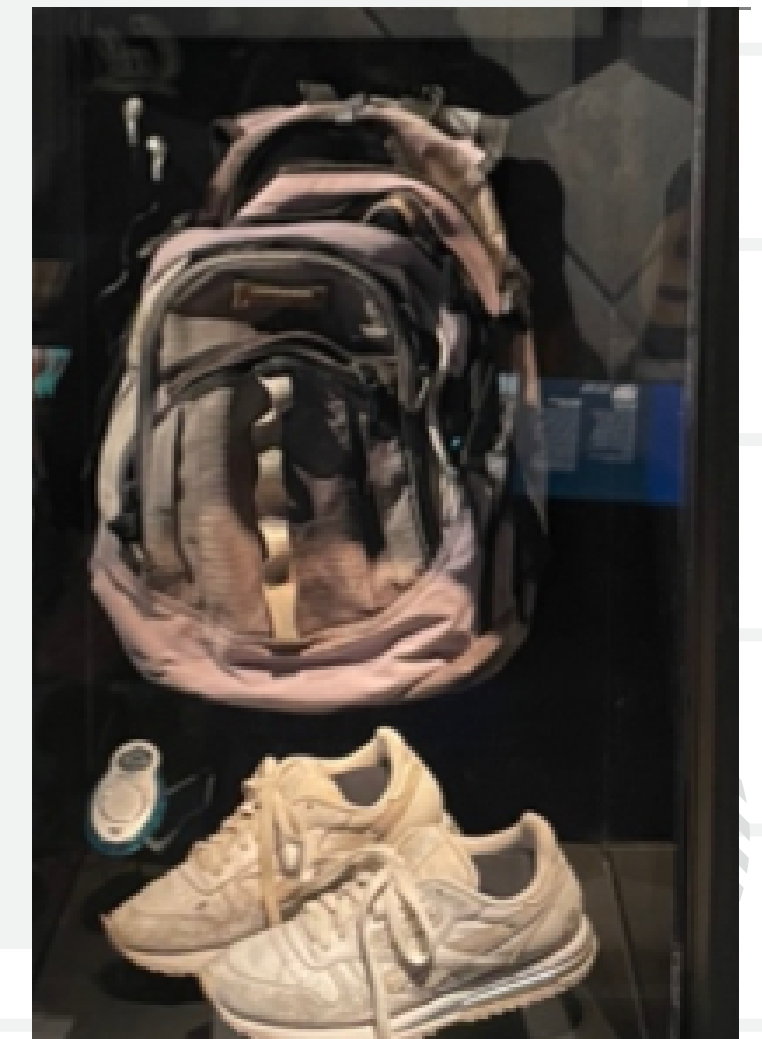
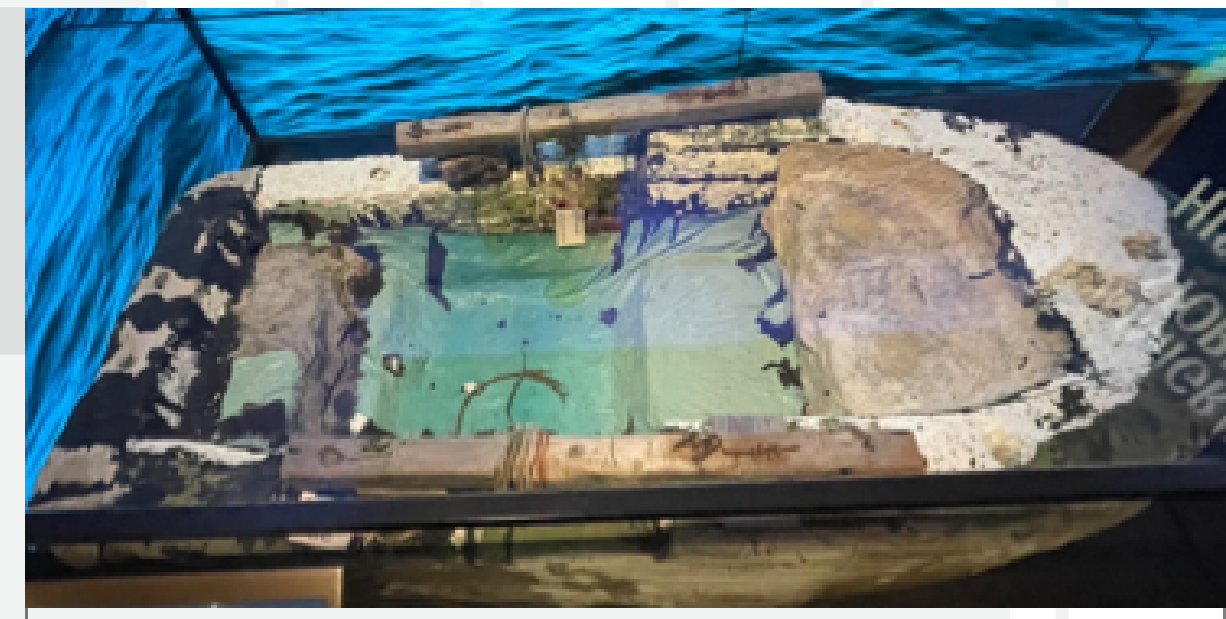
- 26 years old
- born in Nayarit Mexico
- immigrated to the United States in 2000, when she was 2 years old.

THEIR STORIES

- High School
- College
- ni de aquí ni de allá (neither from here nor there)
- Limbo
- “Dreamers keep on dreaming” -Karmen

CULTURAL ARTIFACTS

- *Just Like Us* by Karen Zacarías
 - Yadira: we don't have the same chances. (Zacarías 20-21).
- Present! A Latino History of the United States
 - Washington DC
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CONCLUSION



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