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#### Dear JourneyWoman,

This has been an emotional time for me. Last week, my daughter Alyxandra, who is away at school, tested positive for Covid-19. I feel terrible not being able to comfort her as her mother; fortunately she is on the mend, but it's painful not to be with her right now. We're all isolated from those we love, and being unable to travel is isolating too. When we travel, we often face discomfort, fear and anxiety. We learn to have faith in the universe and trust in uncertainty. Travel feeds my curiosity, stimulates my imagination and accelerates self-discovery. When I'm confined to one place, I can't exercise those muscles in the same way. Without it, I haven't been whole.

Yet, I have so much to be grateful for. One person I am abundantly grateful for is Evelyn. I truly believe that without her, solo travel for women would be different. In founding JourneyWoman almost 30 years ago, she created a movement – 'the female travel revolution' – and an incredible global community of women with a shared passion. I feel a deep responsibility to carry on her work - to empower women, support small businesses and advocate for solo travel. This Thursday at 8 pm EDT, we're hosting an **April Social** to celebrate Evelyn's legacy with the **JourneyWoman Award**, welcome new members of our community, reflect on some beautiful friendships and look to the future with some exciting news. It's also Earth Day so we'll be talking about how to support animal conservation efforts (specifically sea turtles in Costa Rica!) Please sign up **here**!

I hope that our editorial and events have helped you feel more inspired and prepared for the future of travel. I was thrilled that over 450 women registered for this month's two **Safety Self-Defense Training sessions** with Safe4Life. You can watch the video and see our survey results <a href="https://example.com/here

Until our next mailing, I wish you hope, love and lots of laughter. You definitely deserve it!



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### Growth: Connecting to the World

Every issue we bring you brand new, original content to keep you inspired and share the wisdom of women. In April, we continue to explore slow travel and how we connect with our world, and the individual and collective responsibility of travellers to protect and conserve. We define slow travel as *taking the time to connect to people, cultures, and the natural world in a sustainable way.* 



Introducing the "JourneyWoman Award" in Honour of Evelyn Hannon: Named in Honour of JourneyWoman Founder Evelyn Hannon, this Award will be presented on Friday, April 23, 2021 at 10 am EDT at the Bessie Awards at the Women in Travel Summit.

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Ethical Animal Encounters: Six Places to Experience Wildlife by Amanda Burgess: April 22 is Earth Day, and for those who have a kinship with animals, there's little more awe-inspiring than getting up close and personal with nature's creatures in their natural habitat.

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Women-Recommended Homestays to Live Like a Local by Amanda Burgess: These JourneyWomen-tested stays will help you live like a local in Hawaii, Morocco, Canada, Puerto Rico, Spain, and Amsterdam.

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Best Kept Secrets of Las Vegas for Women: A Local's Tips by Diana Eden: Diana shares her insider tips to discover Las Vegas beyond The Strip – hiking National Parks, picking apples in orchards, playing cowboy at the rodeo, restaurants that only locals know about, and more.

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RV Safety Tips for Women, from Women by Carolyn Ray: These safety tips are must-reads for any woman going on a road trip, including some special ones from expert Maurrie Sussman, who founded RV Group Sisters on the Fly (SOFL) in 1997.

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Solo Travel Wisdom: Packing Tips: "If you want to get away from it all, don't take it all with you!" -- Anne McAlpin. Join us on Tuesday, April 27 for a special episode of Solo Travel Wisdom with travel expert and author Anne McAlpin, a featured guest on Oprah, The View, and CNN.

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# Upcoming Events + Community Calls

#### JourneyWoman Virtual Events: Preparing for Future Travel

If you can't attend an event live or want to catch up, subscribe to our **YouTube channel**. In June, we will take a hiatus from virtual events but will continue with the monthly Book Club and Community Calls.

- April 21, 8 pm ET: <u>Book Club: Lands of Lost Borders: A Journey on the Silk</u> Road
- April 22, 7 pm EDT: JourneyWoman Social + Earth Day
- April 27, 8 pm EDT: <u>Solo Travel Wisdom: Expert Packing Tips from</u>
  Anne McAlpin
- May 13, 8 pm EDT: Ethical Animal Tourism: Tips from Experts (Coming soon!)
- May 14, 1 3 pm EDT: <u>Travel Vision Workshop</u>

• May 19, 8 pm EDT: Book Club: Morocco to Timbuktu by Alice Morrison

**JOURNEYWOMAN COMMUNITY CALLS:** Before we talk travel, we start every call with a meditation to connect with our inner selves. Meet like-minded women on our Friday calls at 10 am EDT or our monthly West Coast call. Learn more <a href="mailto:here">here</a>. Would you like to host a call of your own? Email <a href="mailto:editor@journeywoman.com">editor@journeywoman.com</a> for more information.

All of our events are **free**, but we've adopted a Pay-What-You-Can Model to donate proceeds to non-profit organizations chosen by our speakers. You can read more about this **HERE**.

**CALLING ALL AUTHORS:** Have you published a travel memoir or book? Email <a href="mailto:editor@journeywoman.com">editor@journeywoman.com</a> to be featured in our new series on women's travel books.

We list women-friendly tour companies in our <u>Women's Travel Directory</u>. By joining our Directory, you have access to a global group of tour operators who share ideas and resources in support of safer travel for women. Learn more <u>HERE</u>.

If you'd like to discuss a brand partnership for 2021, please **email** info@journeywoman.com.

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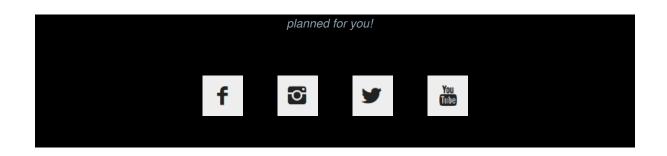
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