

# Sahiyo & StoryCenter Digital Storytelling Workshop



Sahiyo Stories

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Sahiyo partnered with California-based organization, StoryCenter, to create Sahiyo Stories, a three-day workshop which brought together nine women from across the United States to create personalized digital stories that narrate the experience of undergoing female genital mutilation/cutting (FGM/C) and/or the experience of their advocacy work to end this form of gender violence. It was created and organized by Mariya Taher, co-founder of Sahiyo, and Amy Hill, Silence Speaks Director at StoryCenter. These nine women, who differ in race/ethnicity, age, and citizenship/residency status, have a unique connection to FGM/C. Their participation and willingness to publicly expose their stories in this workshop is helping to shatter the silence around FGM/C.



# A Look Into Our 3-day Workshop



**Day 1: Story Sharing and Script Writing**  
Participants spent the first day sharing stories, giving each feedback, and writing scripts.

## **Day 2: Voice Recording & Editing**

Participants recorded their stories and began story boarding images and video clips.

“I liked the way everybody was at ease with each other. I loved the sisterhood. Each story gave me strength.”



## **Day 3: Story Screenings**

Participants recorded their stories and began story boarding images and video clips.

“The expertise and care the StoryCenter staff brought to the table was incredible.”



For more information about Sahiyo Stories or access to the digital videos, please contact [info@sahiyo.com](mailto:info@sahiyo.com).