Amalgamation:

Exploring The Context of Health and Nature of Liberia

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Coming from a Liberian household where my mom is from Bong County and my dad is from Margibi County. They experienced firsthand the tragedies of war in their homeland from a young age. This war was marked by sorrow, brutality, and heartbreak, and its effects continue to impact Liberia to this day.

As a developing country, Liberia still faces significant gaps in essential services. About a year and a half ago, I was having a conversation with my mother when she shared the news of a loved one's passing due to health complications. Confused, I asked her why they couldn't go to the hospital. My mother explained, 'My dear, there's no hospital.' This revelation stirred a mix of emotions within me. It ultimately led me to formulate my thesis, which revolves around establishing a regional clinic or hospital.

Implementing it is essential to ensure that healthcare facilities are accessible to everyone without losing the cultural connections integral to the community. In other words, it is necessary to identify the shortcomings in healthcare environments in Liberia and find ways to address them effectively.

Solution

Baobab tree - also known as "Tree of Life" hold significance in African mythology. It symbolizes various aspects of life, wisdom, spirituality, and tradition.

Cotton tree was the original meet between the indigenous Liberians and Black Americans who arrived in Liberia seeking freedom marking the beginning of the complex relationship between the two groups.

Provide two main spaces representing two groups. Traditional medicine and Westernized medicine as well as the Black American and the Indigenous Liberian. Showcasing the stories and layers and including the division and indifferences between the two groups. Provide a space in between representing the neutral ground and the connection between the trees that will be located on two opposites sides showcasing the journey between history.

Breath and body connection starts with the trees. Trees are the biggest factor to African culture in many ways including outside of Africa.

History

After the Emancipation from slavery, free slaves had the opportunity to sail to Liberia for their freedom. The free slaves encountered the indigenous Liberians. The interaction between the two groups caused classicism, segregation, and discrimination, leading to war between the two groups.

Enigma of Health

Gadamer helps to show how your project does not seek only to impose a failed system into a foreign environment, but rather provide a more profound critique of health that might serve to provide a model that is valuable in all locations.

Influence of Trees

Trees holds significance in Africa. Wisdom, Spirituality, and Traditon. Healing properties within the trees are used as traditional medicine to treat a range of ailments.

Johnsons town

Johnson town is located on the main road of liberia. A mile away from Pelelei

West Side Section Cut

Traditional/
Traditional Medicine/
Indigenous Liberian

Modern/
Western Medicine/
Black Americans

Western Side

Traditional Side

First Floor

Second Floor

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