

FROM THE PUBLISHER:

VIRUS ISSUES

The discussion of the Pandemic has been dominated by those who have a monopoly on speech. Their ideas are ubiquitous and their columns and books are widely discussed. Their Wikipedias are interchangeable. Some women and Black, Brown, Yellow and Red men were allowed to weigh in, but instead of experts like Dr. Michael LeNoir, who has first-hand knowledge about why the virus disproportionately affects Blacks, and Browns, those who were seated at Town Halls were entertainers with whom White audiences are comfortable. Ratings were more important than information.

Advertisers don't dictate the content of *Konch*. This way we are able to include original contributions from Africa, Asia, and Europe as well the United States. A young woman who is a regular on MSNBC said that she was prohibited from expressing her real views. We don't restrict our contributors who range from 10-year-old Nash Pittman to two Octogenarians. Our contributors come from all backgrounds. They've submitted poems, essays, letters, short stories and diaries.

Konch includes the opinions of those whose opinions have been overlooked. The response has been so heavy that we are printing two special issues. Part I includes journals and poetry. Part II will include a drama, essays, letters, poetry and short stories.