



Dan Vena

Bio: Dr. Dan Vena, PhD is an Adjunct Assistant Professor at Queen's University and a community Death Educator in Katarokwi (Kingston), Ontario. He is a queer-trans white settler of Italian descent, who experiences chronic pain and identifies as disabled in relation to capitalist calls towards productivity. He is also radically invested in horror cinema, spirituality and death positivity as part of his pedagogical practice, wherein he is committed to using film and storytelling to collaboratively work toward decolonial, anti-racist, queer-trans, disabled, anti-capitalist & neurodivergent world-making. He is also a recent graduate of the "Going With Grace" Death Doula program, instructed by Alua Arthur.

For further information about Dan's academic research, see: <https://www.queensu.ca/filmandmedia/people-search/dan-vena>