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Dear Sarah,

This week, VISION continues our multi-episode deep dive into the dark and disturbing world of COVID-19 misinformation. We'll be joined by Harvard's Joan Donovan — one of the leading voices on [how to "flatten the curve" of misinformation](#).

[Register here](#) to tune in. As always, VISION comes to you Thursdays at 1 p.m. ET.

If you missed our first episode with Jevin West, a University of Washington associate professor and misinformation expert, you can watch a recording [at kf.org/vision](#).

We'll keep that page updated with information on future episodes and recordings of past programs.

Check out what else is coming up. You can find more information and register to join the episodes below:


[Episode 2: Flattening the infodemic with Joan Donovan](#)
(Thursday, April 30, 1 p.m. ET)

Dr. Joan Donovan is Director of the Technology and Social Change (TaSC) Research Project at Harvard's Shorenstein Center. She leads the field in examining internet and technology studies, online extremism, media manipulation, and disinformation campaigns. [Click here to register](#).

[Episode 3: Flattening the infodemic with Safiya Nobel](#)
(Thursday, May 7, 1 p.m. ET)




Dr. Safiya Umoja Noble is an Associate Professor at the University of California, Los Angeles (UCLA) and serves as the Co-Director of the UCLA Center for Critical Internet Inquiry. She also holds appointments in African American Studies and Gender Studies. She is the author “Algorithms of Oppression: How Search Engines Reinforce Racism (NYU Press).” [Click here to register.](#)



[Episode 4: Flattening the infodemic with Renée DiResta](#)

(Thursday, May 14, 1 p.m. ET)

Renée DiResta is the technical research manager at Stanford Internet Observatory, a cross-disciplinary program of research, teaching and policy engagement for the study of abuse in current information technologies.

DiResta investigates the spread of malign narratives across social networks, and assists policymakers in devising responses to the problem. [Click here to register.](#)

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Thanks,

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