



## GUEST CONTRIBUTOR SERIES

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From confronting inequality in energy to NFTs, this special Guest Contributor Series features Zpryme's research team and their own personal reflections of 2021. This special edition features the voices of Joyce Deuley, Hebah Bukhari, Laurel Morris, Dylan Lockwood, and C. Reel. Much different than your average issue this edition explores a more personal side of the Zpryme team that we hope resonates with you.

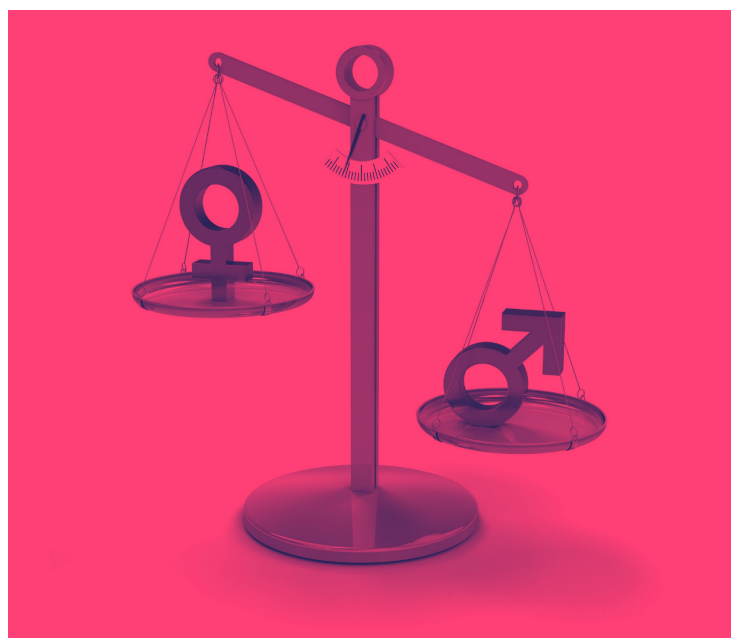


### FINDING MY PLACE IN A PANDEMIC

BY JOYCE DEULEY

Finding your place in the world is difficult at the best of times, but during a pandemic it can feel seemingly impossible. Read Joyce's reflections of this year's events, including her impactful work challenging the status quo in energy and smart cities, and ending with hope for the new year.

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### CONFRONTING THE INEQUALITY IN ENERGY

BY HEBAH BUKHARI

Working towards decarbonization, the energy industry primarily focuses on the latest technological advancements, business models, and economic and environmental advantages. However, Hebah confronts how the focus needs to shift to be more inclusive of vulnerable communities including women and lower income families simply because people's lives are at stake.

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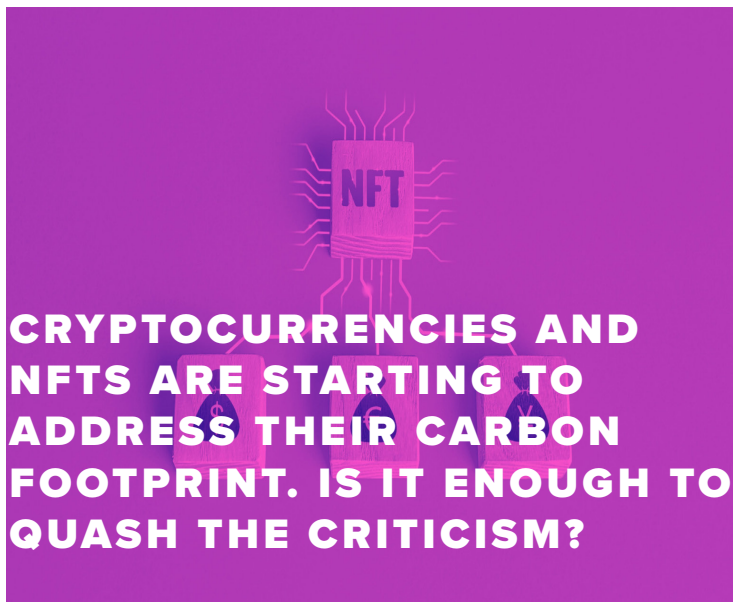


## UTILITIES PARTNERING WITH GREEN BANKS

BY LAUREL MORRIS & DUANNE ANDRADE

Green banks are key to curbing the upfront costs of clean water and energy solutions for low and middle class citizens. How can utilities partner with Green Banks to support customers and advance climate resilient infrastructure projects? Listen into a live conversation with a Green Bank pioneer, Duanne Andrade

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## CRYPTOCURRENCIES AND NFTS ARE STARTING TO ADDRESS THEIR CARBON FOOTPRINT. IS IT ENOUGH TO QUASH THE CRITICISM?

BY DYLAN LOCKWOOD

In the process of simply existing, cryptocurrencies and NFTs use astonishing amounts of electricity. Zpryme's Senior editor puts to trial crypto's claims of decarbonization plans in this articulate opinion piece.

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## LOVE YOUR (POETRY) ENERGY

A POEM BY C. REEL

A lightning strike, a static touch, a spark  
We measure it with the kilo-watt-hour  
The stuff that keeps the lights on after dark  
How powerful it is indeed, our power

The ways we generate it aren't just one  
Our generation methods are a dearth  
From wind to hydro and even the sun  
These ways help us be kinder to the earth

You, too, have your own energy within  
It comes from people, moments, here and there  
It generates when you feel joy and grin  
Connected to all about which you care

Our message is as simple as can be  
Appreciate and #LoveYourEnergy



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