

"What's next? Blackness Beyond May 25, 2020"

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In this facilitated keynote, we will review the historical and diachronic roots of anti-Black racism, and how they manifest themselves in the 2020s in society and institutions. We will take an intimate – and at times uncomfortable – journey through anti-Black oppression and white supremacy, and how the 'Racial Awakening' of 2020 ultimately became a tool to further perpetuate anti-Black racism in Canada and beyond. We will also develop tools on how to become a 'racial conduit' in your spheres of influence.



Thursday, January 16, 2025, 4:00 pm, Social Science Centre, Room 5220. All Welcome!

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