

## **Challenging Racism at the University of Florida Public Program Series**

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January 14, 2023 to April 21, 2023

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Florida, United States

Subject Fields:

Black History / Studies, Digital Humanities, Indigenous Studies, Oral History, Social Sciences

The Samuel Proctor Oral History Program (SPOHP) is a leader in promoting stories of Native Americans, African Americans, Holocaust survivors, refugees, immigrants, and diverse communities in the United States and beyond. The Doris Duke Charitable Trust noted that "SPOHP's program's social justice research methodologies are the focus of scholars and oral history programs across the globe." The Proctor Program's Challenging Racism at UF public program series highlights stories of students, community organizers, faculty, and others who have been on the front lines of the effort to create a more just and sustainable world. This public program series is supported by an Advancing Racial Justice grant from the University of Florida. The following events constitute the public program series.

### **January 14 - Beyond the Headlines: Exploring Gainesville Sun's Coverage of Race Relations from Reconstruction to the Present**

Cotton Club Museum @4:30pm

Student and staff researchers discuss their research on the Gainesville Sun coverage of race relations. Mrs. Vivian Filer, founder and Chair of the Cotton Club Museum and Cultural Center, will respond to the panel's findings.

### **January 17 - Report of the UF Presidential Task Force on African American and Native American History at the University of Florida**

Smathers Lib E. Rm 100 @ 5:00pm

UF Student, Faculty, Staff, and Alumni members of the Presidential Task Force discuss two years of research on African and Native American history at UF, from 1853 to present.

### **February 13 - "OverKome!": Persevering with Collective, Community-led Development**

Pugh Hall Ocora @ 6:00pm

A community presentation on UF's impact in the Black communities of Gainesville. The program will focus on housing, healthcare, and income inequalities.

**February 23 - Stayed On Freedom: One Family's Journey**

Smathers Lib East Room 100 @ 5:00pm

Discussion and book signing for Stayed on Freedom: The Long History of Black Power through One Family's Journey, the new work by Dr. Dan Berger. Dr. Zoharah Simmons, UF Professor Emerita presiding.

**March 3/4 - First of the First: Recognizing Lincoln High Alumni Triumphs**

Mount Carmel Baptist Church @ Fri-6:00pm @ Sat-1:00PM

Two days of celebrating the perseverance & successes of 1965 Lincoln High graduates. Come and hear stories of resilience told by a powerhouse of trailblazers.

**March 21 - Bringing African American History to K-12 Classrooms**

Pugh Hall Ocora @ 5:00pm

Dr. Rebekah Cordova, an education specialist, will talk about creating new lesson plans on African American history for K-12 classrooms, by utilizing SPOHP's oral histories. This event is a collaborative initiative between SPOHP and the Department of Linguistics, co-funded by the National Endowment for the Humanities.

**April 13 - Film Premiere of "Oscar Mack"**

Pugh Hall Ocora @ 5:00pm

World Premiere of Oscar Mack — a film celebrating the life and experiences of the remarkable Oscar Mack, who challenged the Florida Ku Klux Klan in the 1920s. A discussion of the film will be led by family members and descendants of Mr. Mack.

**April 21 - Documenting White Anti-Racist Activism in the Gulf South**

National Webinar @ 5:00pm

A presentation of the experiences of White Anti-Racist Activists in Alachua and Putnam Counties from 1980 to the present.

**Please register in advance to any of the above public programs in the series by following the link below.**

<https://linktr.ee/challengingracismuf>

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