

Black Power Panel

Thursday, April 22, 2010

4:30 p.m.

Science Center 101

Black Power represents one of the most enduring and controversial stories of racial tumult, social protest, and political upheaval of our time, complete with a cast of tragic and heroic historical characters: Black Muslims, FBI agents, Martin Luther King Jr., Black Panthers, Stokely Carmichael, Lyndon B. Johnson, the New Left, and Fidel Castro all play major and minor parts in the era this movement helped define. Black Power's reach was global, spanning continents and crossing oceans." Peniel Joseph, *The Chronicle Review* 2006.

Panelists:

- Robyn Spencer, Assistant Professor of History, Lehman College. author of *Repression Breeds Resistance: The Rise and Fall of the Black Panther Party in Oakland, California* (work in progress)
- Christopher Strain, Associate Professor of History and American Studies, Harriet L. Wilkes Honors College, Florida Atlantic University, author of *Pure Fire: Self-Defense as Activism in the Civil Rights Era*
- Rhonda Williams, Associate Professor of History, Case Western Reserve University, author of *The Politics of Public Housing: Black Women's Struggles Against Urban Inequality*
- Yohuru Williams, Associate Professor of African American History, Fairfield University, author of *Black Politics/White Power: Civil Rights, Black Power and Black Panthers in New Haven*.

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