"In the Land of Milk and Honey: Religion and the Building of Black Los Angeles"

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Members of People's Independent Church and the Grand Lodges of A.F. and A. Masons attend the laying of the cornerstone ceremony on Thanksgiving Day, November 26, 1916.



Candidate Talk

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During the twentieth century, the Great Migration of millions of African Americans transformed the racial and cultural landscape of cities across America, including major urban centers that formed in western cities like Los Angeles. This lecture will focus on the broader social and political influence of Black religion in Los Angeles and how Black western migrants articulated principles of religious discourse through progressive political action, new forms of Black cultural production, and strategies of collective resistance.

Cori Tucker-Price is the Guarini Dean's Postdoctoral Fellow in Ethnicity, Race, and Migration in the U.S. Context at Dartmouth College. Her research and teaching focus on African American history, religion and the American West, religion and media, and migration studies. Her current book project, *The People's Platform: Black Religion and the Forging of Black Resistance in Los Angeles, 1903-1953,* traces the historical and social forces that shaped the practices of African American religious institutions in Southern California. This project tells the story of how Black migrants employed African American religion in the American West to expand notions of freedom and redefine conceptions of American citizenship.