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What Remains?

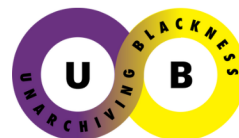
Black Ecologies, Speculative Fieldnotes, and
the Building of New Worlds

Th, 2/23, 12:30PM - 2PM PST

Attend in person: INTS 1113

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What changes if our ethnographic or research practices are reconceptualized as simultaneously being archival practices that capture disappearing Black ecologies in real time before (or as?) they become traces of themselves? What if our ways of naming, documenting, capturing, knowing place were not primarily constructed as research practices at all but as contributions to a different kind of worldmaking—one that we may or may not live to see? What if our work is guided not by saving or preserving a space forever but rather by building the conceptual and methodological tools that will help catapult us into future worlds? Guided by Octavia Butler's fiction as a model, this talk explores these questions as one way to (re)think disappearing Black geographies in our research and activism. Dr. Reese is assistant professor of African and African Diaspora Studies at The University of Texas at Austin.



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