AWAY FROM SAVIORHOOD, TOWARDS SOLIDARITY A DISCUSSION

"We need white people to no longer be allies but accomplices to justice"—Rosa Clemente

"The White-Savior Industrial Complex is not about justice. It is about having a big emotional experience that validates privilege."—Teju Cole, "The White Savior Industrial Complex"

"We are challenging white feminists to be accountable for their racism because at the base we still want to believe that they really want freedom for all of us."— Cherríe L. Moraga, This Bridge Called My Back: Writings by Radical Women of Color

"...the world we live in centers whiteness all the time...it's about acknowledging that whiteness is centered and then asking, "As white people, what do we have the power to do given that we have that [privileged] voice?"— Dara Silverman, Showing Up For Racial Justice (SURJ)



This round table discussion will explore the role of the activist/scholar in anti-racist and anti-colonial participatory action research and ethnography. Participants will speak from their own experiences about the possibilities, limitations, and challenges of white academics doing accomplice/solidarity work from within academia and other institutions. Audience members are invited to share their own experiences and ideas, both as activist/scholars and as community organizers.

Panelists will include:

Kathleen Cole, Social Science, Metropolitan State University Colette Hyman, History, Winona State University Mary Jo Klinker, Women's, Gender and Sexuality Studies, Winona State University

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