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RACE, GENDER, INDIGENEITY, AND THE MEANING OF NARRATIVE AND EXCAVATED PASTS

Dr. Maria Franklin, associate professor in the Department of Anthropology at the University of Texas at Austin and a historic archaeologist of the Black experience from the colonial period to the early 20th century, in conversation with **Dr. Kendra Field**, associate professor in the Department of History at Tufts University and author of *Growing Up with the Country: Family, Race, and Nation after the Civil War*, and **Dr. Nedra Lee**, assistant professor in the Department of Anthropology at the University of Massachusetts Boston and a historic archaeologist specializing in the African Diaspora, gender, critical race studies, and processes of racial formation during the late 19th and early 20th centuries.

THURSDAY, APRIL 8, 2021

7:00–8:30 P.M. VIA WEBINAR

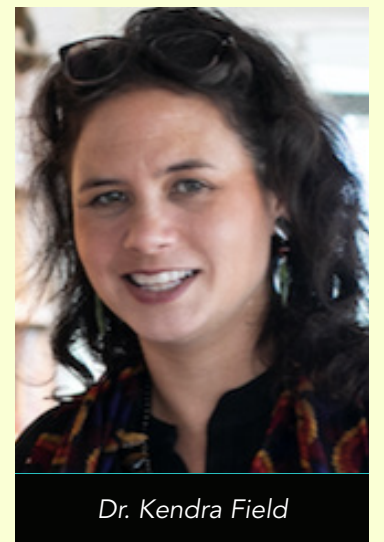
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ABOLITION, SECESSION, AND THE INTERPRETATION OF DIVERSE HISTORIES AT THE NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

Dr. Dwight Pitcaithley, former chief historian of the National Park Service and author of *The U.S. Constitution and Secession: A Documentary Anthology of Slavery and White Supremacy*, in conversation with **Mr. Rolf Diamant**, former superintendent of Frederick Law Olmsted National Historic Site and co-author of the forthcoming *Olmsted and Yosemite: Civil War, Abolition, and The National Park Idea*, and **Mr. Bill Gwaltney**, former National Park Service Assistant Regional Director of the Intermountain Region where he was responsible for building relationships with diverse communities and diversifying the workforce. He has also worked with the National Museum of African American History and Culture, the American Battle Monuments Commission, and was the former president of the Association of African American Museums.

THURSDAY, APRIL 22, 2021

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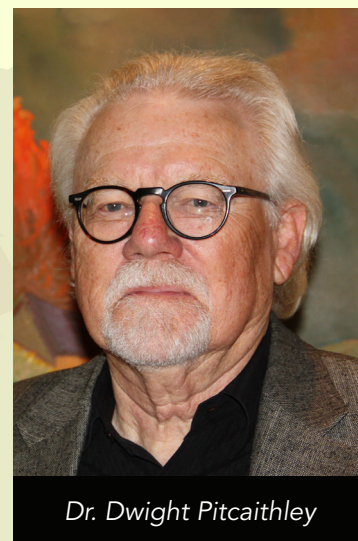
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Dr. Nedra Lee



Dr. Martha Norkunas



Dr. Dwight Pitcaithley



Dr. Brad Wright

Conversations host **Dr. Martha Norkunas** is the author of *The Politics of Public Memory* and *Monuments and Memory*. Her research examines the representations of cultural memory in narrative and on the landscape, and how those representations intersect with race, gender, class, and power.

The webinar questions will be moderated by **Dr. Brad Wright**, historian of the Americas whose research focuses on post-1968 Mexico, urban and environmental history, rural migration, popular political culture, religion, class, and social movements.

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