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Not for Asian Americans Only Reckoning Anti-Asian Racism in the Era of COVID-19

Date: January 24 and 31, 2022

Time: 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. (Eastern) (both days)

Platform: Zoom

Special Guest Facilitator: Toi Sing Woo, Social Justice Activist

Registration Fee: \$150

Anti-Asian hate crime exploded in 2020, the result of misplaced anger about the pandemic. In Chinatowns, cities, and suburbs across the United States, Asians were verbally harassed and physically assaulted. Many Asian Americans were shocked by the strength of the Anti-Asian prejudice. They felt unsafe in their own communities, where such incidents were previously rare.

Certainly, the use by former President Trump and his imitators of the terms “kung flu,” “China virus,” and “Wuhan virus” was a cause of the hate crimes. But in this workshop series, we will take a deep dive into the forces, often overlooked or misunderstood, that made Asian Americans especially vulnerable and unprepared for the overt bigotry they experienced.

While the surge in Anti-Asian hate crime has been disheartening, it has caused a resurgence of activism that will reshape America’s relationship with Asians. Individuals who work for social justice are also now called to broaden their understanding of Asian Americans, their history, and their struggles. In turn, Asian Americans are exploding old stereotypes like the “Model Minority Myth,” and “Silent Minority” trope that previously seemed to offer protection from bigotry, but now reveals itself a wedge between Asians and other people of color.

Join us as we discuss the essentials of social justice related to the Asian American struggle for liberation:

- The history of anti-Asian racism in the United States.
- The divide-and-conquer strategic that pits Asians against other communities of color.
- Latent hatred against Asian Americans imbedded in the Model Minority Myth.
- The effects of random violence on Asians and the response of other communities of color.
- How social justice activism is changing to be inclusive of Asian Americans.
- Practical steps individuals can take to work against anti-Asian racism.

This course will be hosted on the Zoom platform and offer active and lively participation to everyone who joins the workshop.

The lead presenter for the course will be Toi Sing Woo. Toi has been a social and racial justice activist since her early teens. She believes social changes cannot be achieved without working towards racial justice. Currently, Toi is working on abolition of the death penalty, judicial and criminal reform, and providing mentorship to organizations in the process of anti-racism organizational change.

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Workshop Cost: \$150

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