



OSHER AT JHU SPECIAL EVENT

with **Professor Martha Jones**

Friday March 5, 2021

10:00 a.m. ~ 12:00 p.m. *via Zoom*



We are thrilled to host acclaimed historian Martha S. Jones as she offers a new history of African American women's political lives in America in the discussion of her book: *Vanguard*. Jones shares an epic history of African American women's pursuit of political power — and how it transformed America. In the standard story, the suffrage crusade began in Seneca Falls in 1848 and ended with the ratification of the Nineteenth Amendment in 1920, but this overwhelmingly white women's movement did not win the vote for most black women. Securing their rights required a movement of their own. Jones recounts how black women defied both racism and sexism to fight for the ballot, and how they wielded political power to secure the equality and dignity of all persons.

Professor Martha S. Jones is the Society of Black Alumni Presidential Professor, Professor of History, and a Professor at the SNF Agora Institute at The Johns Hopkins University. She is a legal and cultural historian whose work examines how black Americans have shaped the story of American democracy. Professor Jones is a public historian, writing for broader audiences at the New York Times, Washington Post, The Atlantic, USA Today, Public Books, Talking Points Memo, Politico, the Chronicle of Higher Education, and Time. Professor Jones holds a PhD in history from Columbia University and a JD from the CUNY School of Law which bestowed upon her the degree of Doctor of Laws honoris causa in 2019.

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