



# **Your Freedom Never Belonged to Anyone Else**

## ***A Celebration of Black History Month & Women's History Month***

### **WEEKLONG INSTALLATION:**

Fixed installation facing Donaghey displayed Monday, 23 February, through Sunday, 1 March.

- 14 informational displays along the College of Business's main entrance paths

### **TUESDAY 24 FEBRUARY**

A). Nivea Earl

*An Entrepreneur's Experience in Arkansas: Hair Braiding*

Informal discussion with question and answer

- 2:30 – 3:30 p.m.
- College of Business lobby
- refreshments

### **WEDNESDAY 25 FEBRUARY**

B). Angela Boswell (Henderson State University)

*Women and Property Laws in the Early  
Nineteenth-Century U.S. South*

- Noon – 1:00 p.m.
- Brewer Hegeman 113
- 15 minutes for light refreshments in lobby

C). Sondra Gordy (University of Central Arkansas)

*"The Lost Year" film screening and discussion*

- 5:00 PM – 6:30
- College of Business 107 & lobby
- 15 minutes for light refreshments in lobby

### **THURSDAY 26 FEBRUARY**

D). John Kirk & Jess Porter (University of Arkansas-Little Rock))

*Neighborhood Urban Renewal in Little Rock*

- 1:40 PM – 2:50 p.m.
- College of Business 107 & lobby

E). Fabio Rojas (Indiana University-Bloomington)  
& Paul Avelar (Institute for Justice)

- 5:00 - 7:30 p.m.
- College of Business 107 & lobby
- 15 minutes for light refreshments in lobby
- Dr. Rojas: *"Modern Lessons from the Civil Rights Movement"*
- Mr. Avelar: *"The Unfulfilled Promise of the 14<sup>th</sup> Amendment: The Right to Earn a Living as a Constitutional Right"*

**Paul Avelar** is an attorney in the Institute for Justice. He leads IJ's national Braiding Freedom Initiative, which is using lawsuits, activism, and research to get rid of laws that require hundreds of hours of training, at a cost of thousands of dollars, just to braid hair.

**Angela Boswell** is a Professor of History at Henderson State University. Her book, *Her Act and Deed: Women's Lives in a Rural Southern County, 1837-73* won the Texas State Historical Association's Liz Carpenter Award for the Best Scholarly Book on the History of Women and Texas.

**Nivea Earl** is an entrepreneur and hair braider from Pine Bluff. She owns Twistykinks hair braiding salon in Jacksonville, Arkansas, and has practiced the African-style art of twisting and braiding hair for at least 16 years. She was the plaintiff in a federal lawsuit, arguing that Arkansas' occupational licensing of hair braiders is unconstitutional.

**Sondra Gordy** was a Professor of History at the University of Central Arkansas. She taught Arkansas History. "The Lost Year" has become her most important project. She has conducted over one hundred interviews with former black and white teachers and students of the period.

**John A. Kirk** is the Donaghey Professor of History at the University of Arkansas at Little Rock. One focus of his research is the history of the civil rights movement. He has published five books and written in a wide variety of journals and popular history magazines.

**Jess C. Porter** is a geographer and historian at the University of Arkansas at Little Rock. His research on the Dust Bowl was featured in an episode of The Weather Channel's *When Weather Changed History*.

**Fabio Rojas** is an Associate Professor of Sociology at Indiana University-Bloomington. His book, *From Black Power to Black Studies: How a Radical Social Movement Became an Academic Discipline* uses data from the black studies movement to show how social movements generate lasting organizational change.

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