

Thomas Starr King and the Discourse of Anti-Racism: April 8 Lecture

The Rev. Thomas Starr King? Famous Unitarian and Universalist of a century and a half ago, more recently famous for being displaced from the statuary in the U.S. Capitol by Ronald Reagan.

But he may be far more relevant to us today than those bare facts suggest.

“Thomas Starr King and the Discourse of Anti-Racism” will be explored by Dr. Glenna Matthews in the Unitarian Universalist Historical Society’s annual Conrad Wright Lecture. This year’s Conrad Wright Lecture will be hosted by Starr King School for the Ministry in Berkeley, California, on Thursday, April 8. The lecture will be held in the Richard S. Dinner Board Room of the Graduate Theological Union’s Flora Lamson Hewlett Library, 2400 Ridge Road, Berkeley, CA 94709 at 7:30 p.m. There will be a reception for Dr. Matthews following the lecture.

Dr. Matthews, who received her Ph.D. from Stanford, and has filled faculty positions at Oklahoma State University, Stanford, Berkeley, and UCLA, is a widely published author. Among her books are “Just a Housewife”: The Rise and Fall of Domesticity in America, The Rise of Public Woman: Woman’s Power and Woman’s Place, 1630-1970, American Women’s History: A Student Companion, and Silicon Valley, Women, and the California Dream: Gender, Class, and Opportunity in the Twentieth Century. She has also co-authored Introduction to United States History and Running as a Woman: Gender and Power in American Politics. Thomas Starr King has been a recent subject of her research, and she will be teaching a course on him at Starr King School for the Ministry later this year.

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