USCB's Institute for the Study of the Reconstruction Era

Wesley United Methodist Church Present:

The Reconstruction-Era Diary of Frances "Frank" Rollin Whipper

Join Professor Jennifer Putzi, editor of a forthcoming edition of the 1868 diary of Frances Rollin Whipper, and Professor Mollie Barnes as they discuss Rollin Whipper's life and writing. Born in Charleston in 1844, Rollin Whipper served as a teacher following the Civil War and published a biography of Black nationalist and Union major Martin R. Delany.

Married in late 1868, to legislative representative of Beaufort, William J. Whipper, she vigorously supported her husband's career and advocated for women's suffrage alongside her sisters. Her diary is a snapshot of post-Civil War African American society and politics. It is representative of the fundamental role that women played in the story of Reconstruction.

This interactive conversation – open to all – will be hosted at Beaufort's Wesley United Methodist Church, where a marker for her gravesite was dedicated this past summer.





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Please Join Us!

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