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HARRIET A. WASHINGTON MEDICAL ETHICIST AND AUTHOR

Wednesday, February 20

The Theatre • 5 pm

FREE

Harriet Washington is an award-winning medical writer and editor, and the author of the best-selling book Medical Apartheid: The Dark History of Medical Experimentation on Black Americans from Colonial Times to the Present and Deadly Monopolies: The Shocking Corporate Takeover of Life Itself. In her work, she focuses mainly upon bioethics; history of medicine; African-American health issues; and the intersection of medicine, ethics and culture.

Medical Apartheid, the first social history of medical research with African-Americans, was chosen as one of Publishers' Weekly's Best Books of 2006. The book also won the National Book Critics Circle Nonfiction Award, a PEN award, 2007 Gustavus Myers Award, and Nonfiction Award from the Black Caucus of the American Library Association. Experts have praised its scholarship, accuracy and insights. Her other books include Parkinson's Disease and Living Healthy with Hepatitis C. She is co-author of Health and Healing for African Americans.

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