These Images Don’t Represent Us: A New Civil Rights History of Anti-Blackface

Focusing on nationwide anti-blackface campaigns waged between World War II and 1970, this session will present a new history of the American Civil Rights Movement’s fight for racial representation. Allied organizations’ coordinated anti-blackface protests, legal cases that became decisive battlegrounds where Black Americans fought to destroy white supremacy in public schools, and the fight to ban blackface from America’s curriculum will be explored.

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