



Department of History
UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN-MADISON

The Department of History, the Center for
Campus History, the Department of African
American Studies, and the Center for the
Humanities present the
**Doria Dee Johnson Lecture in
History & Social Justice**

On Racial Capitalism (Redux)

Walter Johnson

Harvard University Winthrop Professor of History and
Professor of African American Studies

Walter Johnson grew up in Columbia, Missouri, and is a member of the Rock Bridge High School Hall of Fame (2006). His prize-winning books, *Soul by Soul: Life Inside in the Antebellum Slave Market* (1999) and *River of Dark Dreams: Slavery and Empire in the Mississippi Valley's Cotton Kingdom* (2013), were published by Harvard University Press. His autobiographical essay, "Guns in the Family," was included in the 2019 edition of *Best American Essays*; it was originally published in the *Boston Review*, of which Johnson is a contributing editor. *The Broken Heart of America: St. Louis and the Violent History of the United States* was published in the spring of 2020, and was a finalist for both the Los Angeles Times prize for History and the National Circle Book Critics award for Nonfiction. Johnson is a founding member of the Commonwealth Project, which brings together academics, artists, and activists in an effort to imagine, foster, and support revolutionary social change, beginning in St. Louis.



Thursday, March 21st | 5:00pm - 6:30pm
Pyle Center Auditorium (Room 121)