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THE CHINESE MUST GO: A HISTORY OF ANTI-ASIAN VIOLENCE

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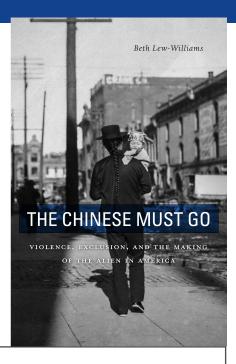
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About the Speaker

Dr. Beth Lew-Williams is Associate Professor of History at Princeton. She is the author of The Chinese Must Go: Violence, Exclusion, and the Making of the Alien in America (Cambridge, MA: Harvard University Press, 2018) and has published articles, "'Chinamen' and 'Delinquent Girls': Intimacy, Exclusion and a Search for California's Color Line" in the *Journal of American History* and "Before Restriction Became Exclusion: America's Experiment in Diplomatic Immigration Control" in the *Pacific Historical Review*. Dr. Lew-Williams holds research interests in race and migration in the United States, specializing in Asian American history.

About the Talk

The American West erupted in anti-Chinese violence in 1885. Following the massacre of Chinese miners in Wyoming Territory, more than 165 communities throughout California and the Pacific Northwest harassed, assaulted, and expelled thousands of Chinese migrants. Dr. Beth Lew-Williams will discuss this unprecedented outbreak, place it within the broader history of anti-Asian violence, and reflect on the implications for the present day. As we confront a new surge of anti-Asian hate crimes amid the pandemic, how should history help to inform our response?