



“Civil Rights and Intersecting Identities: Social Movements for Equality and Justice”

Program Chairs: Carol Johnston & Eboni Baugh

Location: Harlem, NYC
June 12th – June 15th, 2024

Conference Theme and Description:

Society has a tumultuous history with regard to human rights and civil rights. Despite progress, the contemporary revisiting of previously held rights is placing intense pressure on families, individuals, and communities. As family scientists, it is imperative that we respond by learning, engaging, and acting with intentionality. The appropriate response is not to rescue, but to amplify voices and experiences, moving beyond mere allyship. The 2024 conference program will serve to center the primary mission of Groves Conference on Marriage and Family within the current landscape of social justice movements.

The primary mission of Groves is to foster critical thinking about issues in the area of family science and to promote social action and social justice. A variety of session formats are used (e.g., workshops, roundtable discussions, immersion experiences, field trips, plenaries, seminars, posters, etc.) designed to generate reconceptualizations of family-related issues. They are ultimately intended to hone a social tapestry that will improve the quality of life within and among families of the world.

Call for Proposals:

We welcome proposals for a variety of presentation types, including:

- Paper presentation/Discussion
- Roundtable Discussion
- Poster Presentation
- Panel Presentation

We invite proposals from Groves members and nonmembers (academics, practitioners, and community members) and anticipate your encouragement and facilitation of graduate/undergraduate student participation.

Possible topics for proposals (included, but not limited to):

- Contemporary human rights issues
- Civil rights movements and their impact
- Individual, family, and community responses to rights
- Advocacy, protests, and/or civil unrest
- Discourse on social movements
- Teaching and/or research on equality and justice

Proposal Format: Proposals should include the following information:

- Name, affiliation, and contact information of each presenter
- A brief 50-word bio for each presenter
- A description of the presentation and how it fits with the conference theme (no more than 300 words)
- The format preferred (paper, presentation, roundtable, poster, panel, or other)
 - If other, please describe what you propose.

Submit proposals by **December 1, 2023**, via email (attached as a Microsoft Word or PDF file):

Groves2024@gmail.com

Goebel-Macklin Award

The Goebel-Macklin Award supports a promising graduate student presenting at the annual conference. One graduate student is chosen based on his or her presentation at the conference and the award is made toward the end of the conference.

Why Harlem, NYC?

- *Rich history of cultural impact, civic participation, and movements for social justice
- *Home to many cultural institutions (Apollo Theater, Studio Museum) and access to urban and suburban communities including local colleges and universities—City College of New York’s School of Medicine, Columbia University, Hunter College, and Barnard College
- *Close proximity to LaGuardia airport (hub for all major airlines - American, Delta, Jet Blue, Southwest, and United)
- *Possible excursions during the conference (Pride Tour, Civil Rights Tour, drag show, dinner at iconic soul food restaurants, etc.)
- *Pre- and post-conference experiences - e.g., other NY Boroughs (Bronx, Queens, Brooklyn & Coney Island), proximity to NJ & CT, Broadway and off-Broadway shows, Times Square, Central Park, Statue of Liberty & Ellis Island, and Niagara Falls.

Hotel Venue:

The new Renaissance New York Harlem Hotel <https://www.marriott.com/en-us/hotels/nychl-renaissance-new-york-harlem-hotel/overview/> showcasing thoughtfully designed and curated guestrooms and suites bringing you Harlem’s history, art, and culture pair with eye catching views of Central Park, the Hudson and Harlem River. Uncover New York City with our Harlem hotel’s convenient location within walking distance to historical landmarks including the Apollo Theatre and iconic Central Park, a short subway to Times Square and major midtown venues, and an easy distance away from LaGuardia Airport LGA.



Registration and Hotel Information:

Hotel: Renaissance New York Harlem Hotel; 233 West 125th Street, New York, NY 10027; 332-266-8722

Conference rate available June 12-15: \$329 per night (limited King rooms available for \$309). Book before **Wednesday May 8, 2024** to receive this conference rate. [Book your group rate for Groves Conference](#) -

Registration due by March 15, 2024:

To register, see the Groves homepage for online registration (www.grovesconference.org).

Full Conference Registration includes heavy hors-d'oeuvres at opening reception, 2 lunches, 1 dinner and 1 excursion.

Groves members: \$649

Nonmembers: \$749

Students: \$549

(to join Groves, go to <http://www.grovesconference.org/membership.html> or for questions about membership e-mail grovesmanager@yahoo.com)

One-day registration: \$400

Late registration (after March 15, 2024): Add \$50 to applicable fee

Cancellation policy: No refunds can be made after April 30, 2024 and paid fees will be considered a donation to Groves.

Ask about meal and event accommodations for companions closer to the conference date.