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Present:

**THE MAX AND SARA COWAN
MEMORIAL LECTURES IN
HUMANISTIC MEDICINE &
THE PRISCILLA M. MAYDEN
ENDOWED LECTURE**

with

Harriet A. Washington, MA (Columbia)

October 7 & 8, 2021



Our 2021 Cowan Memorial Lecturer and Priscilla M. Mayden Lecturer is Harriet A. Washington, MA (Columbia). Harriet A. Washington is a prolific science writer, editor and ethicist who is the author of the seminal *Medical Apartheid: The Dark History of Medical Experimentation on Black Americans from Colonial Times to the Present*, which won a National Book Critics Circle Award, the PEN/Oakland Award, and the American Library Association Black Caucus Nonfiction Award and five other well-received books, including *A Terrible Thing to Waste: Environmental Racism and its Assault on the American Mind* as well as *Carte Blanche: The Erosion of Informed Consent in Medical Research*, published in 2021 by Columbia Global Reports.

Washington is a Writing Fellow in Bioethics at Harvard Medical School, a Fellow of the New York Academy of Medicine, has been the 2015-2016 Miriam Shearing Fellow at the University of Nevada's Black Mountain Institute. She has also been a Research Fellow in Medical Ethics at Harvard Medical School, a Visiting Fellow at the Harvard TH Chan School of Public Health, a visiting scholar at DePaul University College of Law and a senior research scholar at the National Center for Bioethics at Tuskegee University. She has held fellowships at Stanford University and teaches bioethics at Columbia University, where she delivered the 2020 commencement speech to Columbia's School of Public Health graduates and won Columbia's 2020 Mailman School of Public Health's Public Health Leadership Award, as well as its 2020-21 Kenneth and Mamie Clark Distinguished Lecture Award.

Washington has written widely for popular publications and has been published in referenced books and journals such as *Nature*, *JAMA*, *The American Journal of Public Health*, *The New England Journal of Medicine*, the *Harvard Public Health Review*, *Isis*, and *The Journal of Law, Medicine, and Ethics*. She has been Editor of the *Harvard Journal of Minority Public Health*, a guest Editor of the *Journal of Law, Medicine and Ethics* and served as a reviewer for the *Journal of the American Association of Bioethics and the Humanities*.

Ms. Washington has also worked as a classical-music announcer for public radio and curates a medical-film series.

LECTURES IN HUMANISTIC MEDICINE SERIES

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 7, 2021
**‘A HIDEOUS MONSTER OF THE MIND’: MEDICAL
MYTHOLOGY AND THE CONSTRUCTION OF
‘BLACKNESS’**

Internal Medicine Grand Rounds,
Cowan Memorial Lectureship & Priscilla M. Mayden Endowed Lecture
<https://medicine.utah.edu/internalmedicine/grand-rounds/gr-livestream.php>
12:00-1:00 pm

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 7, 2021
**‘DON’T LET THE LION TELL THE GIRAFFE’S
STORY’: HOW THE CURATION OF HISTORY
HOBBLES MEDICAL ETHICS**

Evening Ethics Discussion
<https://utah.zoom.us/j/95304732845> , Passcode: 838654
5:30-7:00 pm

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 8, 2021
**“MEDICAL APARTHEID AND BEAUTIFUL LIES:
REPEATING THE PAST AND BREAKING THE
CYCLE”**

The Cowan Memorial Public Lecture &
Priscilla M. Mayden Endowed Lecture
<https://utah.zoom.us/j/95140646243> , Passcode: 611870
12:00-1:00 pm



MAX P. AND SARA LEE COWAN

These lectures are made possible through generous gifts to the School of Medicine by the late Max P. and Sara Lee Cowan. Active in the livestock business, Mr. Cowan served as director

of the National Livestock Association. No office-bound stockman, Mr. Cowan could "cut, rope, and brand cattle with the best of them." He took pride in his profession where a handshake was sufficient to seal a contract and no written agreement was necessary. Mr. and Mrs. Cowan's interests were many and varied. In addition to their generosity to the University Of Utah School Of Medicine and the University of Utah Library, they were benefactors of the National Cancer Fund, the National Heart Fund, Brandeis University, Yeshiva University, the Denver National Jewish Hospital and Asthmatic Research Center, and Temple Kol Ami, where they both served as board members. The University of Utah School Of Medicine expresses its gratitude for the resources so graciously provided by Mr. and Mrs. Cowan.

THE COWAN LECTURE SERIES IN HUMANISTIC MEDICINE

- 2020 Jonathan M. Metzl, MD, PhD "Dying of Whiteness and the Politics of Racial Resentment"
- 2019 Douglas B. White, MD, MAS "Responding to Requests for Futile or Potentially Inappropriate Treatment"
- 2017 Abraham M. Nussbaum, MD, MTS "Mistaking The Map for The Territory: How We Got Lost In the Patient-Practitioner Relationship"
- 2017 Jay Baruch, MD "Doctors As Makers: Creativity in the Clinic"
- 2016 Wylie Burke, MD "The deceptive appeal of personal genomics"
- 2014 Barron Lerner, MD, PhD "Two Doctors, Two Generations: The Evolution of Medical Ethics."
- 2014 Dan Brock, PhD "The Future of Bioethics-From Clinic to Population"
- 2013 Marcia Angell, MD and Arnold Relman, MD "Medical Journals: The Good and the Bad"
- 2012 Jeremy Sugarman, MD, MPH, MA "Ethics, Evidence, and Policies regarding disclosure of Financial Conflicts of Interest in Research"
- 2011 Ruth Macklin, PhD "Research In Disaster Settings"
- 2010 Matt Wynia, MD, MPH, FACP "Pay for performance and physician professionalism"
- 2008 Paul S. Appelbaum, MD "Therapeutic Misconception in Clinical Research"
- 2007 Paul Root Wolpe, PhD "Borrowing Our Bodies: The Vexing Ethics of Human Medical Research"
- 2006 Jonathan D. Moreno, PhD "Borrowing Our Bodies: The Vexing Ethics of Human Medical Research"
- 2004 Jodi Halpern, MD, PhD "From Detached Concern to Empathy: Humanizing Medical Practice"
- 2004 Carl Elliott, MD "Identity and Genetic Ancestry Tracing and American Medicine Meets the American Dream"
- 2002 Timothy E. Quill, MD "Palliative, Options of Last Resort"
- 2001 Barbara A. Koenig, PhD "Will 'Race' Matter in the New Genomic Medicine?"
- 1999 Abraham Verghese, MD "The Search for Meaning in the Life of a Physician with special reference to *My Own Country: A Doctor's Story of a Town and Its People in the Age of AIDS*"
- 1999 Sandra L. Bertman, PhD "Last Rites/Rights: Making Decisions in Finding Meaning "
- 1996 Allen E. Buchanan, PhD "The Age of Genetic Medicine: Implications for Doctor, Patient and Family Relationships"
- 1994 Samuel Gorovitz, PhD, Professor of Philosophy and Former Dean, College of Arts and Sciences, Syracuse University "Whose Patient Am I? Perspective on the Changing Culture of Health Care "
- 1991 Mark Siegler, MD "Choices about the End of Life: Recent Medical and Legal Decisions, with Comments on Physician-Assisted Suicide"
- 1990 Rabbi Harold S. Kushner, DHL "When Bad Things Happen to Good People: What Patients Tell Me That They Won't Tell Their Doctors"

THE PRISCILLA M. MAYDEN ENDOWED LECTURESHIP



Priscilla M. Mayden

L E C T U R E

Spencer S. Eccles Health Sciences Library

The annual Mayden Lecture was established in honor of Priscilla Maltby Mayden (1918-2011), recognizing her service to the University of Utah as Director of the Spencer S. Eccles Health Science Library from 1967-1984. This lectureship has allowed the Eccles Library to invite

knowledgeable and exciting speakers on the myriad ways technology and medicine interact to the benefit of the library and medical professions. Priscilla was a visionary in her time, understanding the emerging role of computers in libraries and in healthcare at the bedside. She started the Hope Fox Eccles Clinical Library in the University Hospital in 1983 which was to serve clinical staff with the latest search capability close to the bedside.

For more information, click [here](#), or visit our [Priscilla M. Mayden profile](#).