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Yale Professor, Author Jonathan Holloway to Speak at Cal Poly

SAN LUIS OBISPO - Jonathan Holloway, professor of history and African American studies at Yale University will present, "A Will to Remember: Memoir, Politics, and the Formation of Racial Leadership in Black America," Thursday, April 14 at 3 p.m., in the University Union, Room 220.

The lecture focuses on Holloway's current work which addresses the phenomenon of the "race memoir" - texts that revolve around the recollection of moments of racial humiliation and pain. Holloway believes that by exploring the healing power of these memoirs, readers may analyze their usefulness in the development and preservation of black leadership.

An expert in African American history, political science, and the social sciences, Holloway wrote "Confronting the Veil: Abram Harris, Jr., E. Franklin Frazier, and Ralph Bunche, 1919-1941." He also edited and wrote the introduction of Ralph Bunche's book, "A Brief and Tentative Analysis of Negro Leadership." He is currently a Fellow at Stanford University's Humanities Center writing his new book, tentatively titled, "Jim Crow Wisdom: Memory, Identity, and Politics in Black America, 1919-1941."

Holloway received his Ph.D. in history from Yale in 1995 and his A.B. in American studies from Stanford University in 1989.

The talk is sponsored by the College of Liberal Arts and is free and open to the public.

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