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HARRIET A. WASHINGTON

MEDICAL ETHICIST AND AUTHOR

Wednesday, February 20

The Theatre • **5 pm**

FREE

Harriet Washington is an award-winning medical writer and editor, and the author of the best-selling book *Medical Apartheid: The Dark History of Medical Experimentation on Black Americans from Colonial Times to the Present* and *Deadly Monopolies: The Shocking Corporate Takeover of Life Itself*. In her work, she focuses mainly upon bioethics; history of medicine; African-American health issues; and the intersection of medicine, ethics and culture.

Medical Apartheid, the first social history of medical research with African-Americans, was chosen as one of Publishers' Weekly's Best Books of 2006. The book also won the National Book Critics Circle Nonfiction Award, a PEN award, 2007 Gustavus Myers Award, and Nonfiction Award from the Black Caucus of the American Library Association. Experts have praised its scholarship, accuracy and insights. Her other books include *Parkinson's Disease* and *Living Healthy with Hepatitis C*. She is co-author of *Health and Healing for African Americans*.

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