

PANEL DISCUSSION:

Political Imprisonment, the Prison Industrial Complex, and Radical Resistance



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The African American Studies Minor is proud to host former political prisoner, **Sekou Abdullah Odinga**, and **Dr. Johanna Fernández**, Professor in the Department of History at Baruch College in New York City.

Sekou Odinga was inspired by the revolutionary principles of Malcolm X when he joined Malcolm's Organization of Afro-American Unity, followed by the Black Panther Party, and the Black Liberation Army. He is a Muslim, a citizen of the Republic of New Afrika, and for 33 years was incarcerated as a political prisoner of war for his role in the liberation of Assata Shakur. He was released on parole in November 2014 from the New York State penitentiary.

Dr. Johanna Fernández is Professor of History at New York City's Baruch College where she teaches 20th Century U.S. History, Social Movement History, and African-American History. She has written and produced a film dealing with the case of political prisoner, Mumia Abu-Jamal, and is author of the forthcoming book, *When the World Was Their Stage: A History of the Young Lords Party, 1968-1974*.



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