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YWCA Delaware presents award winning author Ibram X. Kendi, November 15, 2020, 6 - 7 PM

Kendi's work is shifting the discussion from "not being racist" to being "actively antiracist."

Wilmington, DE: YWCA Delaware presents an evening with Dr. Ibram X. Kendi, Sunday, November 15, 2020, 6 – 7PM. Kendi is a National Book Award-winning and #1 New York Times bestselling author. He is the Andrew W. Mellon Professor in the Humanities and the Founding Director of the Boston University Center for Antiracist Research.

"YWCA Delaware's purpose is to eliminate racism and empower women. We scheduled a public event with Dr. Kendi in April prior to COVID and the killing of George Floyd, a tragic event that reinvigorated a national movement," said Stephanie Staats, YWCA Delaware CEO. "We're pleased that we can offer a live event virtually at a time when Dr. Kendi's words are more relevant and powerful than ever."

Facilitating the conversation will be Glenn Jackson, Chief Diversity Officer of M&T Bank, the event's premier sponsor.

"We're in the midst of a national reckoning over systemic racism that requires us to analyze our own biases and experiences," said Mr. Jackson. "In our organization, we've had a series of deep, internal conversations about who we are, who we need to be and how we represent all communities we serve. I look forward to discussing Dr. Kendi's work and experience so we can move beyond awareness to action."

Contributing sponsors include Delaware Community Foundation, DuPont, JPMorgan Chase and Westminster Presbyterian Church.

The virtual event is free, but registration is required: bit.ly/YWCADE_Kendi.

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ABOUT IBRAM X. KENDI

IBRAM X. KENDI is one of America's foremost historians and leading antiracist voices. He is a National Book Award-winning and #1 New York Times bestselling author. Kendi is the Andrew W. Mellon Professor in the Humanities and the Founding Director of the Boston University Center for Antiracist Research. Kendi is a contributor writer at The Atlantic and a CBS News Racial Justice Contributor. He is also the 2020-2021 Frances B. Cashin Fellow at the Radcliffe Institute for the Advanced Study at Harvard University. In 2020, Time magazine named him one of the 100 most influential people in the world.

In addition to his bestsellers, *Stamped: Racism, Antiracism and You*, co-authored with Jason Reynolds, and *Antiracist Baby*, illustrated by Ashley Lukashevsky, Kendi has published fourteen academic essays in books and academic journals, including *The Journal of African American History, Journal of Social History, Journal of Black Studies, Journal of African American Studies, and The Sixties: A Journal of <i>History, Politics and Culture.* He co-edits the *Black Power Series* at NYU Press with historian Ashley Farmer.

ABOUT YWCA DELAWARE

At YWCA Delaware, we are eliminating racism and empowering women. We will get up and do the work until injustice is rooted out, until institutions are transformed, until the world sees women, girls, and people of color the way we do: Equal. Powerful. Unstoppable. Learn more at www.ywcade.org. Facebook @ywcadelaware, Twitter @ywcade, Instagram @ywcade, YouTube @ywcadelaware1