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Alice Dunbar-Nelson: Explorations of a Reading Life

Thursday August 20, 2020 | 6:00 p.m.

Alice Dunbar-Nelson spent nearly 30 years of her life living in Wilmington, DE and is best known for her accomplishments as an educator, writer, journalist, poet, and activist. She taught at schools in Delaware including Howard High School and the State College for Colored Students (now Delaware State University). As an activist, she was vocal in her support of women's suffrage, access to education, and antilynching.

How did her writings make her one of the most prominent figures in the Harlem Renaissance? What books were in her library?



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Join us on ZOOM for a lively discussion with Dr. Jesse Erickson on the life and writings of Alice Dunbar-Nelson (1875-1935). Dr. Erickson's pre-recorded talk will focus on her overlooked passion for books and reading.

Registration is REQUIRED to access the recording.
Click **HERE** to register and come prepared with your questions.

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