

# THE ERACISM

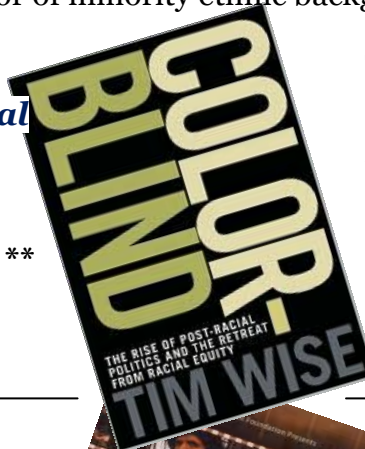
## FILM & DISCUSSION SERIES

Designed to heighten awareness and create a better understanding of the issues facing people of color or of minority ethnic backgrounds

### **Colorblind: The Rise of Post-Racial Politics and the Retreat from Radical Equity**

**September 19 – Main Library\***  
**September 22 – Harmony Library\*\***

with Lori Peek  
Sociology Professor – Colorado State University

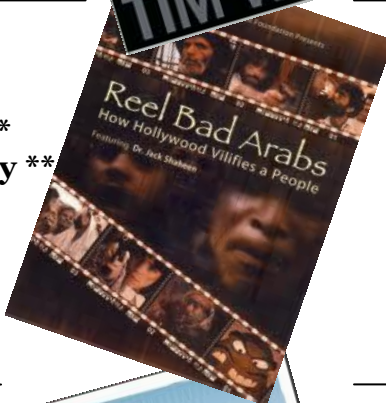


**Tim Wise** argues against “colorblindness” and *for* a deeper color-consciousness in both public and private practice. We can only begin to move toward authentic social and economic equity through what Wise calls “illuminated individualism”—acknowledging the diverse identities that have shaped our perceptions, and the role race continues to play in the maintenance of disparities between whites and people of color in the US today.

### **Reel Bad Arabs**

**September 26 – Main Library\***  
**September 29 – Harmony Library\*\***

with facilitator Mohammad Nayeem  
PhD Candidate – Colorado State University



**Reel Bad Arabs** explores a long line of degrading images of Arabs, offering insights into the origin of these stereotypic images and their development in US history. It shows how the persistence of these images has served to naturalize prejudicial attitudes toward Arabs, reinforcing a narrow view of Arabs and the effects of specific US domestic and international policies on their lives.

### **The Least of These**

**October 3 – Main Library\***

with Jennifer Piper  
Interfaith Organizing Director for Immigrant Rights,  
American Friends Service Committee

**October 6 – Harmony Library\*\***

with Kim Medina, Immigration Lawyer,  
and Norberto Valdez, Ethnic Studies,  
Colorado State University



**The Least of These** explores the government rationale for family detention, conditions at the facility, collateral damage, and the role of community activism in bringing change. The film leads viewers to consider how core American rights and values – should apply to immigrants, particularly children.

### **Blue-Eyed**

**October 10 – Main Library\***

with Patricia Vigil  
Assistant Professor of Sociology –  
Colorado State University

**October 13 – Harmony Library\*\***

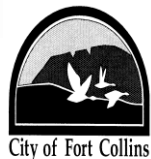
with Mark Benn  
Psychologist – University Counseling  
Center, Colorado State University



In **Blue Eyed** we join a group of 40 teachers, police, school administrators and social workers - blacks, Hispanics, whites, women and men. The blue-eyed members are subjected to pseudo-scientific explanations of their inferiority, culturally biased IQ tests and blatant discrimination. Under Jane Elliott's withering regime, we watch grown professionals become despondent and distracted, stumbling over the simplest commands.



**POUDRE RIVER  
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**Fort Fund**

**Poudre River Public Library District**

**\* Main Library**

**Sunday evenings at 6:30 p.m.**

201 Peterson Street, Fort Collins, CO

**\*\* Harmony Library**

**Wednesday evenings at 6:30 p.m.**

Shields Street and Harmony Road, Fort Collins, CO

*Admission is Free at Both Venues – Seating is Limited*



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