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Has the election of Vice President Kamala Harris opened a new era of race & gender relations? What possibilities and challenges does the era of Kamala Harris bring to both the United States and the globe? This panel explores these urgent questions in conversation with the experts of race and/or gender relations, with a focus on Asian/Black/biracial identities, communities, and politics. All of these have a long history of being generated by slavery, colonialism, diaspora, war, and neoliberalism, as they all led to the movement of people across national and regional boundaries. How have these people's communities shifted and how will they continue to shift? Can the rise of interest in interracial relations, biracial identities, and diasporic experiences a source of activism, equity, and decolonization?

## THE KAMALA HARRIS ERA?

ASIAN/BLACK/BIRACIAL IDENTITIES, COMMUNITIES, AND POLITICS

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