

Household Workers UNITE! The Untold Story of African American Women Who Built a Movement



**A Discussion on Domestic Worker Organizing and Labor Rights with
Premilla Nadasen, Associate Professor, Barnard College &
Nik Theodore, Professor, UIC College of Urban Planning and Public Affairs**

Premilla Nadasen is the author of, *Welfare Warriors: The Welfare Rights Movement in the United States* and *Household Workers UNITE! The Untold Story of African American Women Who Built a Movement*. She is currently an Associate Professor of History and is affiliated with the Women's, Gender, and Sexuality Studies program at Barnard College. Her research and teaching interests include women and gender, race, public policy, labor, poverty, and social movements.

In this groundbreaking history of African American domestic-worker organizing, scholar and activist Premilla Nadasen shatters countless myths and misconceptions about an historically misunderstood workforce. Resurrecting a little-known history of domestic-worker activism from the 1950s to the 1970s, Nadasen shows how these women were a far cry from the stereotyped passive and powerless victims; they were innovative labor organizers who tirelessly organized on buses and streets across the United States to bring dignity and legal recognition to their occupation.

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