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# Womanist Thought: Freedom, Violence, and Sexual Embodiment

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This journal issue explores womanist thought and activism as scholars explore the meaning of black women's freedom amid the intersectionalities of class, gender, race, sexual orientation, age, and ability as lived out amid white supremacist patriarchal capitalistic misogyny as violence targeting black female sexual bodies. The scope is interdisciplinary scholarship and activism, including rituals, multi-media, black women's cultural artifacts (e.g., poetry, visual arts, music, and materiality) faith practices, sacred scriptures, and organized protest.

The purpose of this volume is to heighten awareness about the conscious and unconscious, intentional and unintentional ways systems infringe upon and cause harm to the totality of black women's lives and their sexual embodiment. Other issues include vocation, creative outlets, entrepreneurship/adjacent issues, self-defined family, birthing and birthing and reproductive rights, and access to health care as relates to freedom.



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