

Rutgers University Presents

April 21, 2023 • 9am-5pm • Campus Center Multi-Purpose Room • Rutgers-Camden

Power and Protest in New Jersey

50 Years After Rebellion in Camden: Recovering Histories, Exploring Memory

Fifty years ago, two rebellions took place in Camden, New Jersey—one against the Vietnam War, and one against police violence. On this anniversary, join student researchers, scholars, and protest participants to discuss how we understand and commemorate this history.

Panel One:

9:00-10:30AM

The Camden 28 and Catholic Left Protest Against the Vietnam War

Michelle Nickerson (Loyola, Rutgers BA, 1996), Sean Peters (University of Wisconsin, Madison), Anthony Giacchino (filmmaker of “Camden 28”), Thea Johnson (Rutgers Law), Student Researchers



Local Camden residents confront police during the Camden uprising.



Camden 28 defendants emerge chained from the courthouse.

Panel Two:

11:00-12:30PM

The Anti-Policing Uprising

Kendra Boyd (Rutgers Camden), Michelle Nickerson (Loyola University, Chicago), Simon Balto (University of Wisconsin, Madison), Johanna Fernandez (Baruch College, City University of New York, New York City), Student Researchers

Panel Three:

2:00-3:30PM

Historical Commemoration and Memory

Join a group discussion of event participants, students, scholars, and community members about how to commemorate and preserve the memory of the events in Camden.

Panel Four:

4:00-5:00PM

Podcast Event

Listen to new podcasts on the event created by student researchers led by Academy Award-winning documentary filmmaker Anthony Giacchino, director of “The Camden 28.”

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