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# Unmasked: WE CAN'T BREATHE WE CAN'T BREATHE



**6 PM** WEDNESDAY  
JUNE 3

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## Unmasked: We Can't Breathe

Wed, June 3 | 6 pm

Cost: Free

This program will be streamed on YouTube live.

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During the stress of a pandemic, the Gantt Center has highlighted the many ways Black Americans suffer its effects at a disproportionately higher rate. Although the reasons have social, economical, and historical contexts, they are all sourced from the same foundation: racism and white-supremacy. Recent events, as expounded on by various social and news media platforms, have shown that Black lives today are threatened by much more than a potentially deadly virus.

For this special public conversation, we discuss how policing continues to be a historical weapon of racial discrimination and control. We point out the barbarous methods of police in America, and how they uncannily hold a 400-year pattern of systematic oppression. We discuss the lack of accountability and inconsistent training of police across the United States and how this deficiency of responsibility has resulted in countless Black lives suffering a powerless fate of fatal abuse. We ask ourselves the tough questions of the future of Black America for generations to come. We culminate the conversation with multi-level actionable items that we all can enact to dismantle a system that has been doomed from its inception.

Hosted by Q City Metro's [Glenn Burkins](#), joined by special guest, former South Carolina State Representative and current CNN political commentator [Bakari Sellers](#), U.S. Congresswoman [Alma Adams](#), Mecklenburg County Sheriff [Garry McFadden](#), and Image Activist [Alvin C. Jacobs, Jr.](#), this must-see discussion will be elevated with your attendance and contributed perspective. [Learn more about our panelists here.](#)



The discussion will be streamed via the [Gantt Center's official YouTube channel](#) at 6 pm on Wednesday, June 3.

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