

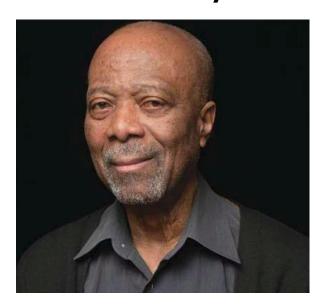
## McLAUGHLIN COLLEGE

As part of our popular Lunch Talk series McLaughlin College Proudly Presents:

## Ninth Floor

## Presentation by: Senator Anne Cools and Dr. Rodney John





**SENATOR ANNE COOLS** is a member of the Canadian Senate. Born in Barbados, she is the first Caribbean-Canadian to be appointed to Canada's upper house in 1984. She is the Dean, and the longest-serving member of the Senate. She is the first female black senator in North America.

**DR. RODNEY JOHN** was born in St. Vincent. He moved to Canada in 1965 and attended Sir George Williams University. Dr. John was one of the six original complainants and signed the letter regarding racism that eventually led to the 1969 Sir George Williams University protests and sit-ins. Dr. John completed his PhD and eventually became clinical psychologist. He also has a Bachelor of Education from OISE, U of T and an L.L.M. in Dispute Resolution from Osgoode Hall, York University.



It started quietly when a group of Caribbean students, strangers in a cold new land, began to suspect their professor of racism. It ended in the most explosive student uprising Canada had ever known. Over four decades later, *Ninth Floor* reopens the file on the infamous Sir George Williams sit-in – a watershed moment in Canadian race relations and one of the most contested episodes in the nation's history. Can we make peace with the past? What lessons have we learned? What really happened up there on the 9th floor?

## **EVERYONE WELCOME**

WEDNESDAY, MAY 24, 2017

TWO PRESENTATIONS: 8:30 A.M. to 11:15 A.M. 11:30 A.M. to 2:30 P.M.

SENIOR COMMON ROOM
140 McLAUGHLIN COLLEGE

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