

Jews and Race

Our Presenters (Brief Bios)

The Basics (Session 1)

Jason Harris

Jason Harris is the creator and host of *Jew Oughta Know*, a popular Jewish history podcast. He has held a variety of professional jobs in the Bay Area Jewish community and led over 500 young adults on Birthright trips to Israel. He previously worked as a senior staffer to a U.S. Member of Congress. He lives in Alameda, California.

Sean Sawyer

Sean Sawyer teaches a middle school reading intervention program in Oakland, California. He officially converted to Judaism on September 4, 2019, and has been involved with multiple Jewish organizations starting in 2015. He enjoys playing accordion, guitar, and piano, and is a member of Temple Sinai in Oakland.

Microaggressions (Session 2)

Nicole Jacobs

Nicole Jacobs is a Clinical Psychologist and Associate Professor in the Department of Psychiatry and Behavioral Sciences. Dr. Jacobs also serves as the Associate Dean of Diversity and Inclusion at the University of Nevada, Reno School of Medicine. Dr. Jacobs' research centers around the assessment of implicit bias and the development of practices to mitigate bias in medical students and faculty search and admissions committee members.

Listening to Our Own (Session 3)

Talia Guzmán

Talia Guzmán is a high school senior at the Academy of Arts, Careers, and Technology in Reno, NV. She has five years of religious school teaching experience, including curriculum design and development. In addition, she is a two-time [FCCLA](#) medalist and a [Brandeis Precollege](#) Alumni Ambassador.

Geralda Miller

Geralda Miller is a fifteen-year veteran journalist, including her work as Diversity Reporter for the Reno *Gazette-Journal* where she presented the issues of Reno's diverse populations and the history and culture of the area's communities of color. She is currently the executive director of Art Spot Reno, a nonprofit organization dedicated to promoting and providing information and education to artists and the Reno community. She earned a B.A. in Journalism at Southern Methodist University, with a minor in African American studies, and a Master's degree in History at the University of Nevada, Reno, with a focus in race and ethnicity.