



JUNETEENTH DIALOGUES

WITH DEBORAH D.E.E.P MOUTON

19 JUNE 2023 | 19:00 | STUDIOBÜHNE: DOMPLATZ 23 | FREE ADMISSION | EVENT IN ENGLISH

**"IT'S OFTEN SAID THAT BLACK WOMEN ARE MAGIC,
BUT WHAT IF THEY REALLY ARE MYTHOLOGICAL?"**



In commemoration of Juneteenth—the proclamation of the end of slavery on June 19th, 1865—the Chair of American Studies is hosting a reading by Deborah D.E.E.P. Mouton to enter into a conversation about contemporary systemic racism in the US. The reading is followed by a discussion of the importance of mythology for Black women in the US, the worldmaking potentials of autobiographical genres, and the role of literature in the times we're in, led by Gulsin Ciftci and Prof. Silvia Schultermandl.

Writer, activist and performer Mouton will read from and talk about her debut memoir "Black Chameleon" (2023). Mouton's memoir is a praise-song and an elegy for Black womanhood. As she tells her own tale story, the author remixes myths, drawing on traditions from all over the world: Mothers literally grow eyes in the backs of their heads and children dust the childhood off of their bodies. Of the moment yet timeless, playful but incendiary, Mouton has staked out new territory in the memoir form.



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