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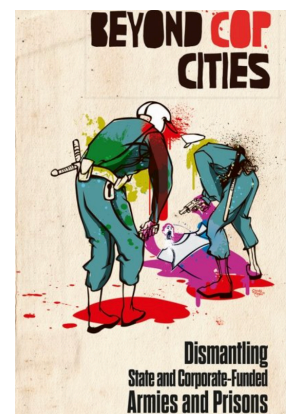
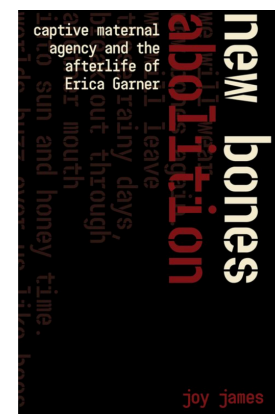
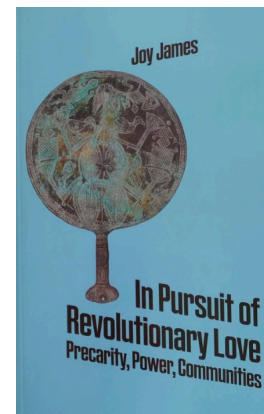
In Pursuit of Revolutionary Love / New Bones Abolition / Beyond Cop Cities

This book bundle, developed by Prison Radio 2024 interns DT and SR, focuses on “Revolutionary Love and Resistance.” Your engagement with the content will help to share and debate analyses for rigorous collective, communal, and personal knowledge. **As we move from the epicenter of the surface of liberation struggles to the hypocenter of resistance, elite capture is not our goal.** These books should not serve as coffee table accessories. Please read and share books and glossaries as tools for community care and **agape: love as political will.**



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NOTES

IN PURSUIT OF REVOLUTIONARY LOVE: PRECARITY, POWER, COMMUNITY (IPORL) 2022

Abolitionism(s): The spectrum of political beliefs, organizing, and practices to abolish inhumane societal arrangements and practices of predatory white supremacist capitalism and control, including but not limited to slavery, prison, ICE, and foster care; "A fluid, multi-layered abolitionism, one aligned with dedicated activists experimenting as 'alchemists,' shares leadership with imprisoned intellectuals. Radical alliances forge a golden norm for addressing crises. Susceptible to glossy reforms endorsed by the privileged and police and policy wonks, abolitionism without alchemy cannot meet the demands from captives, particularly the differently abled, the impoverished, women, children, and LGBTQ+ radicals for dignity, autonomy, and care." *IPORL*, pp. 46-47.

The Academy: "The parental ethos of academic bodies filters professionalism and conformity into activism and veils inherent contradictions." *IPORL*, p. 33.

Afropessimism: Frank Wilderson and Jared Sexton's Afropessimisms reflect the "lens of interpretation that accounts for civil society's dependence on anti-Black violence: a regime of violence that positions Black people as internal enemies of civil society, and which cannot be analogized with the regimes of violence that discipline non-Black workers, women, natives,

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Afropessimism (cont.): queers, immigrants, etc. Afro-pessimism argues that the Black (or slave) is an unspoken and/or unthought sentence for whom the transformative powers of discursive capacity are foreclosed from the beginning." *IPORL*, p. 309.

Anti-Blackness: (Inter)personal, societal, structural, and/or other various forms of internalized beliefs and externalized practices, habits, and actions that are predicated on the subjugation, dehumanization, and violent Othering of Black people. [see Afro-Pessimism]

Black Liberation Army (BLA): Underground Black revolutionary paramilitary organization emerging from the Black Panther Party following the criminal violence of the FBI and police forces through COINTELPRO. BLA emerged after FBI/police assassinated Fred Hampton and Mark Clark in 1969 and attempted to kill more Panthers through another pre-dawn raid in Southern California weeks later in December. *IPORL*, p. 309.

Captive Maternal: An "ungendered function that cares for children and elders to keep them stable and protected. Often its labor is used to stabilize the very structures that prey on Black lives and honor in schools, hospitals, jobs, and prisons. [The] generative powers of the captive maternal stolen and repurposed by the state and capital for accumulation can also be stolen back for rebellions." *IPORL*, p. 309.

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State's Legal Monopoly on Violence: The ability and expectation of the state to act as the sole violent actor using police as "their armored agents, while ordinary citizens have little or no protection against state-sanctioned violence, legal or otherwise." *BCC*, p. 82.

Talking Heads: Also referred to as pundits, these figures focus energies on platforming their opinions rather than participating in the struggle as engaged actors. *BCC*, p. 2.

"Tortuguita": Manuel "Tortuguita" Esteban Paez Terán, an indigenous Stop Cop City activist, was shot, reportedly up to 57 times, by Georgia state troopers in January 2023 in the Weelaunee forest. According to the family autopsy, Tortuguita was assassinated while they sat cross-legged on the ground with their hands raised. *BCC*, p. 11.

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The Movement to Defend the Atlanta Forest and to Stop Cop City: The struggle at the intersection of climate change, police militarization, racialized police violence, and environmental racism. *BCC*, p. 30.

Political Prisoners: Those “who fought in freedom struggles only to have the state attempt to disappear them behind concrete prison walls.” *BCC*, p. 5.

RICO Charges: The Racketeer Influenced and Corrupt Organizations (RICO) law is used against peaceful protestors. After Georgia state troopers shot reportedly unarmed environmentalist Tortuguita 57 times in early 2023, by September 5, 2023, Georgia Attorney General Chris Carr indicted 61 Stop Cop City protestors alleging violations of RICO. Intended to combat organized crime, RICO is weaponized against environmental protections and civilian control of policing. Unarmed activists within the Cop City movement. have been targeted by the state with domestic terrorism charges for alleged property destruction. See <https://inquest.org/the-rubiks-cube-of-cop-city/>.

SOA: The School of the Americas (aka the “School of the Assassins” by pacifists and activists) was formerly based out of Fort Benning, GA, but was shut down in 2000 by ethical organizers yet reopened under the name the Western Hemisphere Institute for Security Cooperation, “which reportedly continues to offer SOA’s curriculum of torture, assassinations, and human rights violations.” *BCC*, p. 25.

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COINTELPRO: The Counter Intelligence Program created by the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) attacked liberation movements. It assassinated Chicago Black Panthers Fred Hampton and Mark Clark; and, framed leaders such as BPP Geronimo Pratt and American Indian Movement (AIM) Leonard Peltier. The FBI conducted “illegal and covert projects of surveillance and infiltration with the aim of discrediting and undermining domestic American political groups.” *IPORL*, p. 309.

Imprisoned Black Radical Tradition (IBRT): “Fluid, multi-layered, and aligned with” the Black Radical Tradition, Stephen “Stevie” Wilson’s concept of IBRT reflects “a legacy [that] spans centuries from the first kidnapping/purchase and cargo shipment and rebellion [of enslaved Africans] to the present moment of mass protests. Its leaders, captives, combatants, and casualties are both historically known and anonymous.” *IPORL*, pp. 48-49.

Mumia Abu-Jamal: A prolific journalist and commentator who has been a political prisoner serving life without parole since 1982. Abu-Jamal’s case has sparked international outrage due to the extreme negligence of the carceral state and the decades of mistreatment experienced by Abu-Jamal because of it. See freemumia.com.

Political Prisoner: A person unjustly imprisoned or unjustly experiencing extra punishment while incarcerated in the form of psychological, physical, or emotional abuse, including but not limited to solitary

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Political Prisoner (cont.): confinement, food/water/sunlight/human contact deprivation, torture, abuse, and arbitrarily revoked privileges - for their beliefs, actions, writings or organizing that are against what the powers that be (guards, warden, state or national politicians) deem permissible. Incarcerated people may also become political prisoners while reporting on conditions, writing, reading/(self)educating to stand against injustices.

Revolutionary Love: "Revolutionary Love calls us to acknowledge that the state and the state's violence are only a fragment of the sadistic nature of anti-Blackness; that our struggles for liberation cannot and must not be limited to critiques of state power, but rather must extend to the metaphysical, global structure that is anti-Blackness, through which the state apparatus maintains its power. It is a call to sacrifice; to sacrifice our lives, our relationships, our time, our livelihoods with the understanding that nothing is guaranteed in return." Da'Shaun L. Harrison, *IPORL*, p. x.

- "Despite the hostilities of well-funded anti-revolutionary and counter-revolutionary organizing to maintain predatory hierarchies and police forces, communities are invested in preserving the theory and analyses of the Illinois Black Panther leader Fred Hampton, a Revolutionary Lover who maintained that 'the greatest weapon is political education.' Revolutionary Love is the portal for lifelong education." *IPORL*, p. 4.

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Domestic colonialism: Utilization of "techniques rooted in imperial counterinsurgency" as mechanisms of domination and population control within national borders. *BCC*, p. 10.

Engaged Actors: Those "who align with the most vulnerable to policing and imprisonment: working class and economically impoverished Black, Indigenous, and outcaste communities." *BCC*, p. 2.

George Jackson: The imprisoned revolutionary and Field Marshall of the Black Panther Party, who was slain by prison guards on August 21, 1971, is author of *Soledad Brother* and *Blood in My Eye*. *BCC*, p. 60.

Militarism/Colonialism: The utilization of the US military-industrial complex, including non-military law enforcement officers, as a tool of colonial domination and state-sanctioned violence is necessary in understanding the "matrix of global political policies and aspirations for domination; controlling civilian populations; denying human rights...The militarization of police and the police functioning as paramilitaries means they globally train." *BCC*, p. 45.

MOU: Military Operations on Urban Terrain "is a genre of military-developed urban warfare strategies" used against low-income, Black, BIPOC, and working-class communities. MOU views "communal advocacy and protests for civil and human rights...as acts of terrorism." *BCC*, pp. 22-23.

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Compradors: Those from and/or proximate to colonized spaces who act on behalf of the colonizer/capitalist, and who “will continue to cash in on the colonization of cities until they are forced to stop their exploitation and greed.” *BCC*, p. 29.

Cop Cities: “A military playground where police will be taught counterinsurgency tactics” (*BCC*, p. 14). Cop City can be understood also as a Rubik’s cube, or “a matrix of global political policies and aspiration for domination; controlling civilian populations; denying human rights” (*BCC*, p. 45). See also <https://inquest.org/the-rubiks-cube-of-cop-city/>.

Counterinsurgency: “The militaristic and legal violence...unleashed against people who dare to oppose” dehumanizing state and capital powers’ interests. *BCC*, p. 10.

Death By Incarceration (DBI): The state’s systemic utilization of carceral institutions to condemn people to a slow-death penalty in prison with little to no hope of release. DBI is a form of torture that can also be carried out by Medical Assassination, or “medical complicity at the highest levels within oppressive systems” towards intentional medical negligence resulting in the death of a victim of state-sanctioned violence. DBI also relies on Institutional elder abuse: the “multidisciplinary violence” that enables the normalization of elder imprisonment as a state-sanctioned form of elder abuse. *BCC*, pp. 94-95.

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The Talented Tenth: Originally developed/proposed by paternalistic white philanthropists following the Civil War who sought to educate newly emancipated Black masses towards “obedience and adherence to the rule of law, even if the law was corrupt and anti-Black,” this elite-educated group among African Americans would lead the other 90 percent. In *The Souls of Black Folk*, W.E.B. Du Bois called for the leadership of the Talented Tenth, which he stood by for decades until the US politically persecuted him for socialist/communist beliefs. *IPORL*, p. 103.

War: According to the Prussian general Carl von Clausewitz, war is “an act of violence intended to compel our opponent to fulfill our will.” *IPORL*, p. 31.

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Ancestors: Those who have transitioned and “who fought to caretake, protest, march, create maroon camps, and engage in war resistance.” Even though they have passed, they “ watch over and care for us... [and] are never ‘dead’ in spirit or in tutelage.” *NBA*, p. 22.

Angela Davis: Angela Davis supported and worked with the Oakland Black Panther Party. She joined the Communist Party USA (CPUSA) in 1968 and served on its central committee from 1973-1991. The use of her weapons by Jonathan P. Jackson in the August 7, 1970, Marin County Courthouse led to her flight, imprisonment, trial, and acquittal. Her contributions to the struggle eventually led to her imprisonment and the subsequent Free Angela movement. Davis has been a prominent figure in the global movement for civil and human rights for decades.

Assata Shakur: Politicized as a Harlem Black Panther, Shakur as a Black revolutionary was targeted by COINTELPRO along with other underground rebels. She was shot by NJ Troopers, put on trial, acquitted multiple times until given a life sentence. A political prisoner, she escaped, was given political asylum in Cuba, and wrote an influential memoir, *Assata*.

BEYOND COP CITIES: DISMANTLING STATE AND CORPORATE-FUNDED ARMIES AND PRISONS (BCC) 2024

American Democratic Fascism: “Corporate-funded right-wing political rule by the rich of the United States” maintained by US police power that is able to “exercise inordinate political power and exert considerable undemocratic influence over working-class communities and their elected state and municipal representatives.” *BCC*, p. 82.

Amílcar Cabral: Known for his work organizing with non-elite communities and “instructing and offering international solidarity in anti-colonial war resistance,” this African liberator and founder of the African Party for the Independence of Guinea and Cape Verde (PAIGC) was assassinated in Guinea in January 1973. *BCC*, p. 25.

Atlanta Police Foundation (APF): “A private foundation with strong corporate ties that supports the Atlanta Police Department (APD)... [and] steers Atlanta policing policy with zero public accountability” (*BCC*, p. 10). This “private militarized policy offshoot of the Atlanta Police Department (APD) work[s] in collaboration with corporate interests, clergy, and Atlanta City Hall.” *BCC*, p. 18.

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We Charge Genocide: In 1951, the Black-led Civil Rights Congress, a unit of the Communist Party USA, created We Charge Genocide: the Crime of Government Against the Negro People, the text/petition that served as “a condemnation of anti-Black human rights violations and subjugations” and that is still “referenced in contemporary tribunals on international struggles for liberation and basic protocols for human rights.” *NBA*, p. 165.

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bell hooks: “Ethicist, theorist, and feminist writer” who provided perspectives on feminist thought and American culture, yet failed to engage in on-the-ground organizing, hence her work could miss the knowledge and practices of political workers engaged in freedom struggles, e.g., exoneration of those formerly known as the “Central Park Five” and now known as the “Exonerated.” *NBA*, p. 30.

Black Anonymous: An anonymous collective of authors who researched, wrote, and published the Black Anonymous Timeline and Analysis, “which traces political lineage and limitations in war resistance from civil rights through the Black Power era into the BLM movements.” *NBA*, p. 53. <https://abolitionjournal.org/black-anonymous-timeline-and-analysis/>

Black Feminist Intersectionality: Feminist frameworks rooted in intersectionality often focus on the interplay between race, class, and gender and sexuality/identity. These ideologies are not inherently reflective of anti-imperialism and war resistance. Intersectionality often fails to address ideology. *NBA*, p. 30.

Black Lives Matter: Begun after the 2012 vigilante killing of teen Trayvon Martin and expanded after the police killing of George Floyd, Black Lives Matter (BLM), often viewed now as co-opted by liberal nonprofits and the state upon having received millions in donations and non-profit interference,

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Black Lives Matter (cont.): turned into a lobbying effort for electoral politics and non-reformist reforms that reiterated the positions of progressives aligned with the public/state/funders/banks. By defining BLM as Black Lives Matter, as opposed to Black Liberation Movement, the emphasis is on “Black humanity to be recognized by state formations structured by capitalism, colonialism, and imperialism.” *NBA*, pp. 62-63.

Black Panther Party (BPP): Originally the “Black Panther Party for Self-Defense,” this Marxist-Leninist Black-nationalist political organization was active in the US from 1966 to 1982. It split into divisions by 1970 due to COINTELPRO and intraparty strife in which Oakland rejected revolutionary struggle and Harlem/NY chose to actively confront the state and its killing and imprisonments of Panthers.

The Captive Maternal Stages of Struggle: Captive maternal “function[s] of care become entangled with stages (as concentric circles) that include caretaking, protest, movement-making, marronage, war resistance, and sanctuary” (*NBA*, p. 20), all of which “are part of the freedom trail that allows us to plant pathways and trajectories to free ourselves and create zones of shared peace, with collective power” (*BCC*, p. 5) in order to “cushion the blows of predatory policing...encompassing care and forms of security that radiate from the local community” and beyond. *BCC*, p. 28.

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Return to the Source (cont.): anti-imperialism, and communal culture to assert that collective material struggles create and sustain the cultures of liberation movements,” and that these collective material struggles “require a convergence in epistemology and praxis.” *NBA*, p. 172.

Severed natality: Systemic traumatic processes of “one los[ing] family members, parents, and children under the routinization of state and police violence, and the violations of civilians raised in a violent culture” (*NBA*, p. 96). The state-sanctioned dissection of “our connections with communities and ourselves” and the past. *NBA*, p. 18.

UN Working Group on Experts of People of African Descent (UN WGEPAD): UN working group responsible for filing an amicus brief on behalf of Mumia Abu-Jamal referring to his case as emblematic of “the problems of racial discrimination faced by people of African descent living in the diaspora.” The brief advocates for the investigation and subsequent remediation of any cases with “presumed victims of racial discrimination” without the preliminary focus of proving discriminatory intent. *NBA*, p. 206.

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Epicenter vs. Hypocenter: The distinction detailing the ways in which “relationships structured by position and proximity” interact with issues. “The epicenter is the location on the surface...positioned directly above an underground point, the hypocenter, or ‘focus’ of a fault line.” Those “standing on the surface of politics” at the epicenter, can easily remain unimpacted by the destruction experienced by those in the hypocenter, “below the earth’s surface where the earthquake starts.” *NBA*, p. 35.

Freedom Scholars: A program of the Marguerite Casey Foundation, a foster care carceral multi-billion nonprofit, that funds scholars/intellectuals with \$250k awards, honoring recipients “cultivating and nurturing movements for justice and freedom” as academia/elites largely ignore/negate on-the-ground action and war resistance. *NBA*, p. 68.

FTP Movement: Formed in 2004 “in response to the system’s disregard for the poor and the oppressive conditions that support poverty,” FTP movement functions as “a modern day action-oriented network of everyday people who understand and value life.” FTP’s network of organizations are fighting on multiple fronts “for the immediate release of political prisoners, organizing to decentralize police, providing sustenance through [their] Feed the People program, promoting holistic living thru Mama’s Army, teaching the youth within the Siafu Youth Corps [and] providing self reliance and preparedness training

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Patrice Lumumba: A prominent leader in the African freedom struggle “assassinated in the Congo in 1961 with assistance from the CIA and Portugal.” *NBA*, p. 173.

Police Violence as a Feminist Issue: “Women are so often on the front lines in the aftermath of these [police] murders. They’re the ones left behind to pick up the pieces.” *NBA*, p. 20.

Pritzker Family: Billionaire family influential in the Democratic National Committee that includes the Governor of Illinois and the Obama Administration US Secretary of Commerce.

Qualified Immunity: Judicial provision that enables police to brutalize without repercussions unless evidence of the unlawfulness of the conduct has previously in the exact same circumstances been determined by the courts to be unconstitutional, i.e. it must be understood by the very police actors to be unconstitutional behavior, no matter how heinous the beating/killing or other illegal activity targeting the victims of police violence. See eji.org.

Return to the Source: Assertion made by revolutionary Bissau-Guinean and Cape Verdean Amílcar Cabral that is also the title of a major collection of his speeches. “An International Captive Maternal, freedom fighter, father, and theorist during the anticolonial war against Portugal,” Cabral’s call to return to the source “synthesizes abolitionism,

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FTP Movement (cont.): thru the Urban Survival Preparedness Institute." See thepeoplesarmy.org.

Fulcrum: Literally a tool leveraging or balancing competing forces, a fulcrum is most often depicted as the fixed base of a seesaw. Captive Maternal's "function is not only to offer care but to create a fulcrum that can leverage predatory policing...out of our communities" by cultivating "the generative powers to stabilize ourselves, kin, community, and resistance." *NBA*, p. 55.

Hammer & Hope: Founded by Jen Parker and Keeanga-Yamahtta Taylor, the Black-leftist digital publication is a project of the New Venture Fund, a grantmaking nonprofit managed by the multi-billion-dollar Arabella Advisors consulting company. It trains abolitionists at Columbia University through funding from the Casey Foundation and the Pritzker family which is a prominent participant in the Democratic National Committee. *NBA*, 76-77, 79-80.

"House-Field" Dichotomy of the Oppressed: Acknowledgement of the differentiated experiences of enslaved people in the US analyzed in El-Hajj Malik El-Shabazz's / Malcom X's "Message to the Grassroots": "The house negro favors the 'master' while the field negro hopes the plantation house burns down." *NBA*, p. 29.

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Marguerite Casey Foundation: A charitable foundation with funds garnered from decades of profits tied to state-managed carceral foster-care systems that destabilize Black, under-resourced, Indigenous, undocumented, and low-income families and communities. The foundation states that it provides "unrestricted support to leaders in academia" focused on social justice. "The foundation's verb is 'imagine' - the verbs 'organize' and 'resist' do not appear in this political framework." *NBA*, p. 67.

Marronage: The state and/or practices of "attempting to liberate [oneself or community] from dependency upon a stratified and indifferent state." *NBA*, p. 63.

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New York Police Department (NYPD): One of the most infamous and overfunded police forces in the world, the NYPD has received billions of dollars from Mayors such as Eric Adams who promote "crimewave" propaganda campaigns. With impunity, the NYPD has perpetrated torture and killings, stop-and-frisk, and the brutalization of civilians and communities.