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# Jiddu Krishnamurti's Invention of Religion Without Beliefs

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5:00-6:00 p.m.

this event is \*online only\*

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Jiddu Krishnamurti (1895 – 1986), religious philosopher, resisted organized religion and invented a notion of religion without beliefs. Krishnamurti said each one of us has to find out what sacred truth is, but that this truth can be realized only when the mind is not hampered by belief. But can people live a religious life without belief? My research explores the development of a modern new religious movement, by looking at how individuals, as raced, classed, and gendered, engage with Krishnamurti's teaching.

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