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“Climbing the Ladder, Chasing the Dream: The History of Homer G. Phillips Hospital”



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From 1937 to 1979, one of the premier African-American hospitals in the United States thrived in north St. Louis. During its heyday, Homer G. Phillips was a leading place for black interns and residents to find training denied them in other hospitals, and for nurses, many from working-class families, to receive an exceptional education—and join the middle class.

The hospital closed, amid controversy, at the end of the Civil Rights era. But rich memories of this hospital and its significance remain vivid in its graduates, staff and patients. Candace O'Connor will discuss the hospital's history and these stories, taken from a new book she has written with the help of Dr. Will Ross.

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Becker Medical Library, 7th floor, King Center

4:30 p.m.

Free and open to the public

