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## **FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

Date: January 12, 2021  
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Re: Humanities Washington to Present *Sticky Subject: The History and Culture of Sugar*  
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Humanities Washington speaker Julia Harrison, will present *Sticky Subject: The History and Culture of Sugar* on Zoom at 6pm on Thursday, January 28. Registration is required to receive the Zoom login. Register at [www.nols.org](http://www.nols.org), or by contacting your North Olympic Library System branch.

Once a rare, exotic ingredient, sugar has become a dietary staple, leaving its sticky fingerprints all over the globe. Anthropologist and sweets expert Julia Harrison takes participants on a journey from ancient sugar cane plantations to modern candy factories, uncovering sugar's economic and social significance. From slavery and mass migration to environmental changes and nutrition, the consequences of sugar's rise are global-- and not always sweet.

Julia Harrison is an anthropologist and avid traveler for whom all roads lead to sweets. Her projects include a multimedia online map of bakeries, desserts, and candy-makers around Puget Sound. She received an MA in Applied Anthropology from Macquarie University and spent two years studying Material Culture theory and methodology at University College London.

### **About Humanities Washington**

Humanities Washington sparks conversation and critical thinking using story as a catalyst, nurturing thoughtful and engaged communities across the state. Speakers Bureau is one of Humanities Washington's oldest and most popular programs. A roster of 34 cultural experts and scholars provides low-cost, high-quality public presentations across the state, encouraging audiences to think, learn and engage in conversation. For more about Speakers Bureau, visit [www.humanities.org/programs/speakers](http://www.humanities.org/programs/speakers).

### **More Information**

This program is generously funded by Humanities Washington. For additional information about this program and to register, visit [www.nols.org](http://www.nols.org) and select "Events," call 360.417.8500, or send an email to [Discover@nols.org](mailto:Discover@nols.org).





*“Sticky Subject” will be presented by Humanities Washington on Zoom.*

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