## CALL FOR PROPOSALS



For the **2024 Black Muslim Psychology Conference** [BMPC] in Chicago, IL, July 20-21, 2024. This year's theme is **Longing for Home: A Place Where A Soul Can Rest.** 

## **OVERVIEW**

This is a **CALL FOR PROPOSALS** for scholarly presentations, interactive workshops, panel discussions, posters, or artistic/creative performances that explore the multifaceted intersections of belonging, home, migration [voluntary or forced], and identity. It will center the diverse narratives that shape individuals and communities in an ever-evolving landscape from past, present and into the future. In bell hooks' Belonging: A Culture of Place (2009), she uses the metaphor of the porch as a place or site of resistance to dehumanization. At BMPC, we argue that these places - porches or otherwise resistant and nourishing spaces - are keys to mitigating the harm caused by the violence of anti-black racism and religious marginalization. Black Muslims cultivate "places where our souls can rest" and this cultivation leads to collective well-being and fortification. Please note: At BMPC, we use and understand the term "psychology" in a broad sense - a term that includes overall mental health, emotional wellness, and spiritual soundness. Therefore, we welcome and encourage submissions from participants with a range of backgrounds: psychiatrists, psychologists, social workers, and other mental health clinicians, but also artists, writers, historians, sociologists, Imams, chaplains and spiritual leaders, community workers and activists. Proposals must include a 500-word abstract or summary of the content you would like to present, and must directly address at least one aspect of the conference theme in order to be eligible for inclusion in the program. Please review the PROPOSAL SUBMISSION GUIDE for detailed suggestions on how to submit a winning proposal. Questions, requests for additional information, and other inquiries should be sent to info@blackmuslimpsychology.org.

