

ames B Duke Memorial Library-Sandbox RSVP: jcsulibrary@gmail.com LIMITED SEATING Light Refreshments I am delighted to have been selected as Johnson C. Smith University's inaugural Inez Moore Parker Fellow. This year, I was awarded a national fellowship from the American Council of Learned Societies and look forward to spending a portion of my fellowship in residence at the archives and research center named in Parker's honor. Professor Parker and I share much in common. Parker was an English professor at Johnson C. Smith University committed to preserving the institution's history and ephemera. I am also an English professor committed to preservation, albeit in a slightly different manner. Instead of focusing on a particular place in my writing, I focus on a particular person.

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