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# New Episode of Dr. Lauren Gutterman's "Sexing History" Podcast: "Love and Labor" by American Studies

The Sexing History (<https://www.sexinghistory.com/>) podcast, co-written and co-hosted by UT AMS Assistant Professor Dr. Lauren Gutterman (<https://liberalarts.utexas.edu/ams/faculty/lg32432>), as well as Dr. Gillian Frank, has a new episode: "Love and Labor." You can listen to the episode here. (<https://www.sexinghistory.com/episode-31>).

The story of African American midwifery is part of a larger history of Black women's struggles to protect their own lives, as well as the lives of other Black women and their children. This episode explores the long history of African American midwives, doulas, and birth attendants who have labored to ensure the safety and dignity of Black mothers and their children in and beyond the maternity ward. These Black women have worked to provide emotional support and medical advocacy for other pregnant and laboring women. Their reproductive advocacy makes clear that the delivery room has become an important site to ensure that Black Lives Matter.



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