



## Professor Kendra Taira Field, PhD

### 10 Million Names Chief Historian

Kendra Taira Field serves as the Chief Historian for 10 Million Names. She is Associate Professor of History and Director of the Center for the Study of Race and Democracy at Tufts University. Her current book project, *The Stories We Tell*, is a history of African American genealogy and storytelling from the Middle Passage to the present.

#### Kendra can speak to:

- African American family history
- 10 Million Names
- Historical context

*“Before the mid-twentieth century, data about enslaved Africans and their descendants was often deliberately obscured or altered, or simply unrecorded in the first place. This lasting legacy of slavery—the erasure of family history—remains with us today.”*