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Newest Americans: Stories From The Global City

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Building 37, behind the Lee Observatory, AUB

When President Lyndon Johnson signed the 1965 Immigrant and Naturalization Act into law he downplayed its significance, stating that it “is not a revolutionary bill. It does not affect the lives of millions. It will not reshape the structure of our daily lives, or really add importantly to either our wealth or our power.” Johnson was wrong on all counts. As the day fast approaches that for the first time in the history of the United States no single ethnic group will constitute a majority of the population, the Newest Americans project is documenting the truly revolutionary impact of this Act, signed over half a century ago.

Tim Raphael is the founding director of Newest Americans, a public humanities project that cross-pollinates academic inquiry and award-winning media production to generate fresh insights and narratives about immigration and the immigrant communities that have arrived in the United States since 1965. His presentation will use media produced by the project to demonstrate how a unique collaboration between university students, research faculty, and professional journalists and media makers has created a new and replicable model for engaging contemporary issues and documenting complex histories.