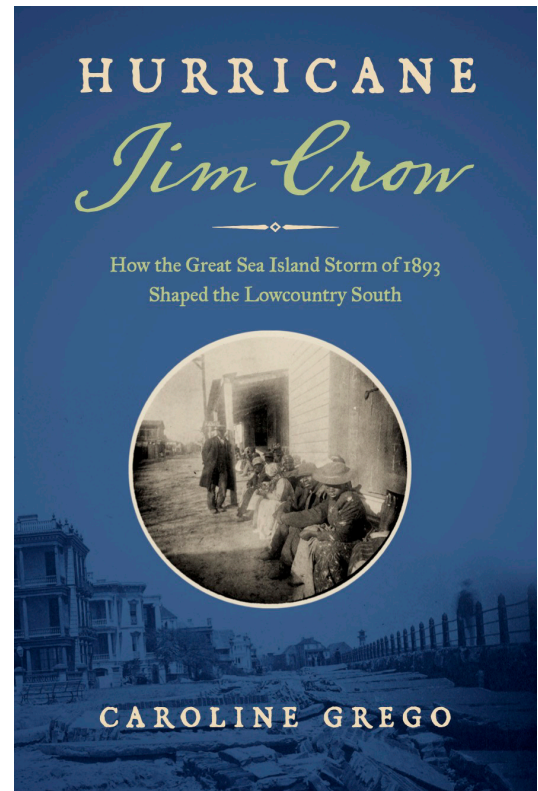


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*"From the Eye of the
Hurricane: Labor, Land,
and the Great Sea Island
Storm of 1893"*



Dr. Caroline Grego, Assistant Professor of History at
Queens University

The deadliest hurricane in South Carolina history, the Great Sea Island Storm of 1893, struck at a pivotal moment in the political, economic, and social environment of the South. As the region teetered on the brink of Jim Crow, this devastating storm, which killed at least 1,500 South Carolinians, had wide-ranging consequences. South Carolinians vied over competing visions for recovery from the hurricane, and labor was central to these debates. Dr. Grego will explore these tensions in a talk based on her book, "Hurricane Jim Crow: How the Great Sea Island Storm of 1893 Shaped the Lowcountry South" (UNC Press, 2022).

