

# Annual Gandhi Lecture

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### Beyond Racial Binaries: Western Fighters for India's Freedom

The history of Indian nationalism is an active and vigorously contested field. There have been intense debates on the role of the Congress Party and its Gandhian philosophy of non-violence; on the contributions of revolutionaries inspired by Marxism and by religion; on autonomous movements of workers, peasants and tribals against the colonial state. What these contrasting perspectives share in common, however, is that they see this history in terms of an implacable opposition between the exploitative British and the Indians who resisted them. This talk will go beyond these racial binaries to highlight the fascinating but sadly forgotten story of a group of white renegades, who betrayed their race, religion and nation to identify fully and completely with the Indian freedom struggle.

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