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HEAL THYSELF: THE NEOLIBERAL ASSAULT ON SOCIAL SOLIDARITY IN THE AGE OF CATASTROPHE

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314 Royce Hall

The profound crisis of capitalist society today, along with the related breakdowns of interpersonal relations and the social safety net, have undermined the collective networks people have long counted on for their economic, social, and psychological support. As a result, many have been thrown back on their own resources, and have had no choice but to fashion individualist solutions to problems that previously were always dealt with by governments and social groups. On the other hand, some political thinkers and political organizations are making a virtue of necessity, and are proposing that a turn to self-help can actually be a positive way forward. The viability and desirability of self-help – and what are the alternatives – will be the subject of Professor Kelley's presentation.

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