



Race and the Politics of Deception: The Making of an American City (Paperback)

By Christopher Mele

New York University Press, United States, 2017. Paperback. Condition: New. Language: English . Brand New Book. What is the relationship between race and space, and how do racial politics inform the organization and development of urban locales? In *Race and the Politics of Deception*, Christopher Mele unpacks America's history of dealing with racial problems through the inequitable use of public space. Mele focuses on Chester, Pennsylvania—a small city comprised of primarily low-income, black residents, roughly twenty miles south of Philadelphia. Like many cities throughout the United States, Chester is experiencing post-industrial decline. A development plan touted as a way to save the city, proposes to turn one section into a desirable waterfront destination, while leaving the rest of the struggling residents in fractured communities. Dividing the city into spaces of tourism and consumption versus the everyday spaces of low-income residents, Mele argues, segregates the community by creating a racialized divide. While these development plans are described as socially inclusive and economically revitalizing, Mele asserts that political leaders and real estate developers intentionally exclude certain types of people—most often, low-income people of color. *Race and the Politics of Deception* provides a revealing look at how our ever-changing landscape is being...



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