The NAACP played a major role in the struggle for civil rights since its inception in 1909. Almost every societal progression made during the civil rights area can, in some way, be linked to the efforts of this esteemed organization. However, in recent years, the NAACP has come under attack from various media outlets and the African-American community itself regarding its perceived ineffectiveness and irrelevance in today’s “post-racial” society.

In this workshop, a diverse panel will evaluate the current state of the NAACP and attempt to answer the question of whether the NAACP has a place in today’s world. Panelists and workshop attendees will identify areas where the organization, nationally and locally, can improve and regain its relevance in the African-American community.