The Center for the Study of Gender and Sexuality
New York University

Fall 2007 Events Calendar

SEX, GENDER, & SPECIES

September 25, Tuesday
6 to 7:30 PM

SQUISH THAT BUG!
Hugh Raffles
Antropology, New School for Social Research

Congress banned crush videos in 1989 but movies of women stepping on insects and other small animals are now all over YouTube. What exactly is everyone getting off on?

Kisssy Film Room
25 Waverly Place, 1st Floor, corner of Greene Street
If you need wheelchair access to the event, please let us know in advance.

19 University Place, Great Room, 1st Floor
between 6th Street and Waverly Place

October 24, Wednesday
6 to 7:30 PM

SPECIES PANIC
Cynthia Chris
Media Culture, College of Staten Island/CUNY

Nature films have always explored not only the mating behavior of animals, but also gender roles and erotic desires among humans. What do portrayals of animal sex reveal about what we think it means to be human?

19 University Place, Great Room, 1st Floor
between 6th Street and Waverly Place

November 15, Thursday
4:55 to 6:10 PM

THE ‘MAKE LOVE NOT WAR’ SPECIES
Amy Parish
Anthropology & Gender Studies, University of Southern California

Bonobos are one of our closest primate relatives. They are highly intelligent, gentle apes who are remarkable, among other reasons, for their frequency and variety of their erotic activity; what does the latest research tell us about the reasons for and effects of bonobo erotic behavior?

Silver Center, Room 408
31 Washington Place
between Greene Street and Washington Square East
Sponsored by the NYU Anthropology Department.

JOAN W. SCOTT

October 3, Wednesday
6 to 7:30 PM

VEILED POLITICS: FRENCH GENDER EQUALITY AND ISLAMIC HEADSCARVES

Introduced by
Linda Gordon, History, NYU

Lipton Hall
106 West 3rd Street, between MacDougal and Sullivan Streets
Co-sponsored by the NYU Graduate School of Arts and Science.

ELECTION 2008

October 16, Tuesday
6 to 7:30 PM

GENDER, RACE, AND THE 2008 ELECTION

Are Americans ready to elect a woman or a black man as president?

A panel discussion with:
Kenyon Farrow, co-editor of Letters from Young Americans Today: Rebels Speak Out
Richard Kim, Associate Editor, The Nation
Tania Nguyen, Performance Studies, NYU
Marianna Torgovnik, English, Duke University

19 University Place, Great Room, 1st Floor
between 6th Street and Waverly Place

November 7, Wednesday
6 to 7:30 PM

THE INCREDIBLE SHRINKING WOMAN
Gloria Feldt, author of The War on Choice
Former President and Planned Parenthood Federation of America

What are women’s rights shrinking in our laws and policies on sexuality, birth control, and abortion? Why is the US going backward while many other nations are going forward, and what can we do about it?

19 University Place, Great Room, 1st Floor
between 6th Street and Waverly Place

November 28, Wednesday
6 to 7:30 PM

TORTURE AND DEMOCRACY

A conversation with Naomi Klein, author of No Logo and The Shock Doctrine: The Rise of Disaster Capitalism and Lisa Najjar, Chair, Law and Society Program, UC Santa Barbara

Moderated by
Sabo Bilek, Associate Director, Keenweth Center, NYU

Hammarenberger Hall, Silver Center
31 Washington Place, 1st Floor
between Greene Street and Washington Square East
Seating is limited and on a first-come basis.

HIP HOP: BEYOND BEATS AND RHYMES

October 15, Monday
6 to 8 PM

A documentary by Byron Hurt
61 minutes
2006

An exploration of masculinity, sexism and homophobia in hip hop culture. Post-screening discussion with the director.

721 Broadway, Lower Level
Screening Room 006
between Waverly and Washington Place
Sponsored by NYU McKeen Division, Media Studies (SGS); co-sponsored by NYU Center for Media, Culture and History; and Maurice Kanfer Institute of Film and Television (Tisch)

SEX, GENDER & THE PUBLIC TOILET

November 3, Saturday
1 to 7 PM

A one day conference on the issues that emerge when scholars from several disciplines join with architectural professionals to discuss the public rest room. These include sex, gender, the body, changing notions of decency, equality, and the gender make-up of the population.

Panelists include:
Rick Bell, Director, AIA New York
Carolyn Dealy, English and Social and Cultural Analysis, NYU
Clara Black, Associate Professor, Urban Planning, University of the West of England
Technology and Social and Cultural Analysis, NYU
Pauline Park, Co-founder of the NY AntiDiscrimination for Gender Rights Advocates (NYMGRA)
Joel Samberg, Yale U School of Architecture Executive Director, NYU Department of Buildings
Deborah Davison, Executive Director, NYU Department of Buildings
additional panelists to be announced

Co-sponsored by the American Institute of Architects (AIA) New York Chapter 556 La Guardia Place between Bleecker Street and West 3rd Street

SEX WORK AND TRAFFICKING

December 6, Thursday
6 to 7:30 PM

Kenneth Levy, Doctoral Candidate, American Studies, NYU
Svatpi P. Shah, Visiting Assistant Professor, Women’s Studies, Wellesley College
Carole S. Vance, Feminist, School of Public Health, Columbia University

The pedagogy workshop is presented to discuss issues raised when teaching. It is open to educators and students at all levels.

16 University Place, Great Room, 1st Floor
between 6th and 7th Street and Waverly Place
Sponsored by CUS Center for Gender and Sexuality Studies and presented with the generous support of the NYU Women’s Fund.

All events are free and open to the public, and all events are wheelchair accessible, unless otherwise noted. If you need sign language interpretation services or other accommodations, please let us know two weeks in advance, if possible.

For more information, please call 212-992-0540, email gender.sexuality@nyu.edu, or visit www.nyu.edu/csgs.

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