Spring 2009 Events Calendar

Brown Bag Lunch Talks

Bring your own lunch—we'll provide beverages!
12:30 to 14:50
41-51 E 11th Street, Room 709 between University Place and Broadway (wheelchair access at 85-87 University Place, between 11th and 12th Streets)

Feeling Real, Real Feeling: Disembodied Agency and The Affective Labor of Teen Sick-Lit
February 9, Monday
Julie Passantone Elman, Social and Cultural Analysis, NYU
This talk investigates the affective labor of disembodiedness in “teen sick-lite,” a type of young adults (YA) novel that spotlights teens with diseases and disabilities and their romantic relationships. Through a close analysis of compulsory able-bodiedness within Lureen McDaniel’s Dawn Rochelle series, positioning this analysis within broader questions of the national significance of teen reading practice, youth citizenship, and coming-of-age in the 1980s.

“A Dangerous Subject to Study”: Sociology and Homosexuality in the United States
March 5, Monday
Chad Heap, American Studies, American University and CSGS Visiting Scholar
Chronicking key moments in the emergence and development of social scientific discourses of homosexuality from the early twentieth century through the Cold War, this talk examines the role of social cognats in challenging the legal, medical, scientific and psychoanalytic conceptions of same-sex practices, identities and cultures that dominated scholarly and popular perceptions of homosexuals, gay men and other sexual nonconformists throughout much of the last century.

The Global Gaze: The Visual Culture of The Early Indian Women's Press
April 13, Monday
Sojata Moori, Women’s and Gender Studies, Middlebury College and CSGS Visiting Scholar
Through an examination of the visual grammar of Indian women’s magazines from the early twentieth century, this talk will explore how images became a key site through which the bourgeois women’s movement in India navigated the ideological claims of the rationalist, anti-feminist, and international suffrage movements.

Lecture

Affecting Queer Futures: Or What's Love Got To Do With It?
February 24, Tuesday
362 West 11th Street, 7th Floor
Martin Manalanam, Anthropology, University of Illinois-Urbana Champaign

Focuses on the multiple efforts of queer of color activists in immigration, gender (transgender rights) and anti-globalization movements, this talk argues for the idiom and practices of “love” as a collective political project that goes beyond issues of marriage and domesticity, sexual freedom and gender fluidity, to engage with the complexities of social transformation.

Film Screening

A Jihad for Love
February 27, Thursday
4 to 6pm
Kevorkian Center, Screening Room 50 Washington Square South @ 235 Sullivan Street
A film by Parvez Sharma 2007; 81 minutes

Filmed in 12 countries and 9 languages, this documentary by Muslim gay filmmaker Parvez Sharma offers a dynamic portrait of the lives of lesbian and gay Muslims and explores the complex intersections between Islam and same-sex desire.

Spectacles of Childhood: Law, Child Pornography, and Sex Panic
April 30, Thursday, 8 to 10 PM

This interdisciplinary forum turns its sights on U.S. cultural anxieties over childhood, with an especial interest in how laws against child pornography imagine and construct childhood sexual vulnerability. Feminist legal scholar Amy Adler’s opening presentation will be followed by two responses, one from a psychoanalytic perspective, the other, from a queer cultural theory paradigm.

Discussions:
Ann Pellegrini, Performance Studies and Religious Studies, NYU
Avi Sagetopoulou, Postdoctoral Program in Psychotherapy and Psychoanalysis, NYU
Co-sponsored by the NYU Postdoctoral Program in Psychotherapy and Psychoanalysis, the Psychoanalytic Psychotherapy Study Center, and in Studies in Gender and Sexuality

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After Proposition 8: The Future of Marriage Politics
February 12, Thursday, 6:30 to 9pm

Hemmersdal Hall 31 Washington Square West between Washington Square East and Greene Street
This panel reframes contemporary debates over same-sex marriage and gay rights by suggesting that a movement for sexual freedom needs to think beyond marriage and connect itself to a broader range of social justice issues.

Moderated by Lisa Duggan, Social & Cultural Analysis, NYU, and
Richard Kim, The Nation magazine
Featuring speakers:
Katherine Franke, Columbia University
Dan HoSaeng, Ethnic Studies and Political Science, University of Oregon
Co-sponsored by NYU’s American Studies Program, Gender and Sexuality Studies Program, Department of Social and Cultural Analysis, Religious Studies Program, Department of Performance Studies, by The Nation magazine, and by the Barnard Center for Research on Women

Downtown goes owtown!
The State of Feminism: Post-Election Race and Gender Analysis
April 2, Thursday, 7 to 8:30pm

Julius Held Auditorium, 304 Barnard Hall, Barnard College
Broadway at 117th Street
Laura Flanders, journalist, “CIRTV” and “RadioNation”
Patrick J. Williams, Columbia University Law School
Now that the dust has settled and the November elections are over it is fascinating for feminist scholars and activists to regroup and begin a conversation about the impact of these events and the changes they represent. Patrick J. Williams, renowned legal scholar and expert on race in the U.S., and Laura Flanders, a leading feminist activist and journalist, will help us make sense of the politics of race and gender in the 2008 elections as well as help us imagine future political alliances, possibilities, and risks.

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The Economics of Identity: How Poverty is Gendered and Raced
April 7, Tuesday, 6 to 7:30pm

Rudin Family Forum for Civic Dialogue
295 Lafayette Street, 2nd Floor
at the corner of Houston Street
Our nation is experiencing an extreme economic downturn in the context of a changed political landscape in Washington. This panel presentation by leading scholars and activists addresses how gender and race must be taken into account in economic and social policies related to economic recovery and the persistent problem of poverty.

Moderated by Erica Gabrielle Folds, Public and Nonprofit Management, Wagner School of Public Service, NYU

Introduction by Suzanne E. England, Dean of the Silver School of Social Work, NYU
Panelists: Mimi Abramovitz, Hunter College School of Social Work, CUNY
C. Nicole Mason, Women of Color Policy Network, Wagner School of Public Service, NYU
Representative from Community Voices Heard, TBA
Co-sponsored by the NYU Silver School of Social Work, Robert F. Wagner School of Public Service, and Women’s Caucus

Queer Archives of Masculinity, Race, and Religion: An Interdisciplinary Conversation
March 26, Thursday, 6:30 to 8pm

Kindl Hall Lounge
246 Greene Street, 1st Floor
Also at the corner of Wooster Place
Monica L. Miller English, Barnard College
Jane Shaw Faculty of Theology, New College, University of Oxford
Ranging across disciplinary orientations and national scenes, literary studies scholar Monica Miller (author of a forthcoming book on Spenser to Fashion: The Black Dusty and the Styling of Black Atlantic Identity) and historian Jane Shaw (author of Miracles of Enlightenment England as well as a forthcoming study of a 20th-century British middle-class family) will speak about how to do a cultural history of masculinities.

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