16th Annual
Women & Society Conference

Thursday October 25  4-6:30
Pre-conference Event
The Eleanor Roosevelt Center at Val Kill
Diversity Workshop:  The Freedom from Want
Examining How Structural Inequality affects our ability to uphold Freedom from Want
Introduction by Cathy Collins  ERVK Executive Director,
Brian Riddell  Dutchess Outreach
Shirley Adams Catherine Street Community Center
Joe D'Ambrosio Family Partnership Center

Friday October 26

Noon- 4:30 Conference Registration & Hospitality—
Henry Hudson room. 3rd Floor, Fontaine Hall

Concurrent Panels: Session 1   1:00- 2:30

1.A Urban Women Write Gender, Race and Class in New York City: Student Research and Community Service at John Jay College of Criminal Justice, CUNY Part I

Teenage Prostitutes and Substance Abuse in New York City: Advocacy Research with Vulnerable Populations
Mady Bribiesza, John Jay College

But Some of Us Are Brave: Challenges of Race and Gender for an African American Women Police Captain at Harlem Hospital
Cynthia Buxton, John Jay College

A White Girl from Long Island: Challenging Racism, Privilege and Preconceived Notions among Students at John Jay College
Jeanne Ottghen, John Jay College
1.B. Empowering Women

A Cross Country Comparison on Attitudes toward Women’s Employment: Three East Asian Countries
Moonju Seong, University of Oxford

Mentoring African American Female Administrators in Higher Education
Kijana Crawford, Rochester Institute of Technology

Boundaries of Empowerment: The Women Protection Bill
Madiha Bhatti, SUNY Buffalo

1.C. Appearances

Feast/Famine: Food and the “Ideal” Female Body in 50 Years of Young Adult Film
Megan Rooney and Fiona Ann Papps, University of Prince Edward Island

Feminist Identity and Body Image
Melanie Harasym & Melanie Hill, SUNY New Paltz

Self as a Potential Partner: Possible Selves in Young Women
Merissa Mitchell & Fiona Ann Papps, University of Prince Edward Island

Concurrent Panels: Session 2  (3:00-4:30)

2.A. Urban Women Write Gender, Race and Class in New York City: Student Research and Community Service at John Jay College of Criminal Justice, CUNY Part II

Domestic Violence and Community Education in the Dominican Community of Washington Heights
Gissell Pascal, John Jay College

Nannies in New York City: Breaking Silences, Challenging Myths
Dianne Rapsey, John Jay College

Solidarity—not Charity! Latinos from New York City Engage Post-Katrina New Orleans
Denise Vega, John Jay College
2.B.  
**Visions from Feminist Periphery: Women Artists and the Abject Body as Metaphor**
Participants: Danni Burnatowski, Kelly Hider, Kirsten Whittaker, and Lindsay Wolf, SUNY Brockport

2.C.  
**Culture and Sexuality**

Lesbians Behind the Israeli Screen  
Yasmin (Max) Sason, Tel-Aviv University

Other Femininities in Ukraine: Glamour and Queer Cases  
Maria Mayerchyk, Russell Sage College

Where the Others Go: A Manifesta of Social and Legal Equity for Non-Heteronormativity in Ireland  
Rachel Asher, Trinity College Dublin

2.D.  
**Identity Depiction**

Performing Identity: the constructed self  
Jennifer Pepper, Gallery Director—Cazenovia College

La Leche League International: Class, Guilt, and Modern Motherhood  
Elisabeth Tavarez, Marist College

Latina Beauty in an American World: Exploring Latin-American Women’s Perceptions of Beauty and Its Relevance to Their Self-Esteem  
Viviana Bernal, Montclair State University

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**Women & Society Buffet & Reception** (5-7 pm)  
Student Center Performing Arts Room

**Take Back the Night 6-8**

Alix Olson  **KEYNOTE ADDRESS**  
8pm Nelly Goletti Theater
Saturday  October 27

8:30 Continental Breakfast  Henry Hudson Room

8:30- 5  Registration & Hospitality  Henry Hudson Room

Concurrent Panels: Session 3 (9-10:30)

3.A. Empowering Patients

They Try to Make Me Try to Make Them Go to Rehab and I say, “No, no, no.”: Harlotry, Heroin Addiction, and Harm Reduction
Margaret Panichelli, West Chester University

Practices, Patients, and Power: Moral Tensions in Being Good and Pregnant
Barry DeCoster, Marist College

Gender Differences in the Anxiety Response During Withdrawal from Short- and Long-term Cocaine Use in Rats: Implications for Human Cocaine Abuse and Relapse
Gail Pereira Do Carmo, Marist College, L. Sciacca, Harvard Medical School, N. Sparkman, University of Illinois, G.R. King, Texas Christian University & G. Boehm, Texas Christian University

3.B. Reclaiming Women

From Privilege to Purpose: Muriel Gardiner and the 20th Century
Shelia Isenberg, Marist College

Reclaiming Women’s Philosophers
Kate Lindemann, Mount Saint Mary College

3.C. Visual Identity

Jason Stanley, New York University

Vanitas or Veritas—The Self Portraits of Renaissance and Baroque Women Painters
Anne Bertrand-Dewsnap, Marist College
Politics of Depiction of female sexuality on Maya Codex-Style Vases
Petrouchka Alexieva, California State University, Los Angeles

**Concurrent Panels: Session 4 (10:45-12:15)**

**4.A. Doing Gender Online**

A Room of One’s Own: Teenage Girls’ Autobiographical Representations on Myspace.com
Adriane Brown, The Ohio State University

Bigger is not always better: An Examination of Mediated Representations of Gender
Shannon L. Roper, Marist College

**4.B. The State & Women**

Negotiating the State: Questions of Citizenship and Power for Welfare Recipients
Stacia Kock, The Ohio State State University

The Affect of NAFTA & Mexican Women
Nikki Minard, University of Central Florida

**4.C. Exploring Women’s Diverse Experiences of Sexual Objectification**

Amanda Dixon, Melanie Hill, Meredith Johnson, Claire Lipton, Regina Musicaro, Pashmina Rashad

**4.D. Workshop**

The Grail: A Study in the Application of Feminist Principles in a Women’s Spiritual Community
Sharon Thomson, The Cornwall Grail Center

**Lunch (Henry Hudson Room) 12:30-1:15**
Concurrent Panels: Session 5  (1:30-3:00)

5.A. Unwanted Sex Part I

The Making of Unwanted Sex: The Role of Gender and Neoliberal Norms in College Women’s Unwanted Sexual Experiences
Rebecca K. Eliseo-Arras and Laina Y. Bay-Cheng, University at Buffalo

Queer Wimmin, Sexual Trauma, and Empowerment: A Qualitative Study of Coping and Healing
Alina Sotskova, York University

Hooking Up: Objectification or Sexual Liberation?
Regina Musicaro & Amanda Dixon, SUNY New Paltz

5.B. Social Justice and the University

Innovating the Liberal Arts Core in light of New Challenges: A Student-Centered Approach toward Social Justice
Joanne Ardovini & Anne Lopes

Restoring Human-Centeredness to Environmental Conscience: The Ecocentrist’s Dilemma, The Role of Heterocentric Anthropomorphizing, and the Significance of Social justice for Ecological Feminism
Wendy Lynne Lee, Bloomsburg University of Pennsylvania

Impact of Repent America Demonstrations on our University Communities: Observations and Recommendations
Lauri Hyers, Brooke Shaeffer and Vy Cu, West Chester University

5.C. A Seat at the Table: Judy Chicago's “Dinner Party” as Feminist Practice, Then and Now

Building Utopias, Weaving Connections: Feminist Strategies in Christine de Pizan’s “City of Ladies” and Judy Chicago’s “The Dinner Party”
Lisa K. Langlois, SUNY Oswego

Tasting an American Feast: Reviews of “The Dinner Party” which Highlight the Necessity of the Third-Wave Feminist Movement
Meghan McTiernan, SUNY Oswego
5.D.  

Situational Identity

“A Place to Lay My Head”: A Case Study of Gender Identity Amongst Homeless Women
Susan Amanda Lucas, Wake Forest University

Resources which enable women to change their religious traditions—The Jewish wedding ritual as a case study
Irit Koren, New York University

Concurrent Panels: Session 6 (3:15-4:45)

6.A.  

Unwanted Sex Part II

Rape Around the Corner
Yasmin (Max) Sason, Tel-Aviv University

Human Trafficking, the Causes
Arlene Pericak, The Sage Colleges

6.B.  

Dressing Gender

An Unnatural Lack of Breeches: Comedic Mother Roles and the Introduction of Female Performers in Restoration England
Eileen Curley, Marist College

Do Clothes Really Make the Man? Framing the Everyday: Style, Identity and Politics
Grace Irving & Katherine Frappier, Carleton University, Canada

6.C.  

The Effects of Patriarchy

Against Nature
Elizabeth Emens, Columbia Law School

Repositioning the Center: The Reaffirmation of White Male Discourse in “Boy Meets World”
Andrea Ganier, California State University, Long Beach

Women Conduits to Patriarchal Ideology Perpetuation
Maryanne Nwookeleme, African Youth for Transparency
6.D. Conflict

Under One Roof: The Middle East Coexistence House as a Model for Conflict Resolution
Danielle Josephs, Rutgers University

Nepal Women in Action
Sabitri Sharma, Nepal