



# Patriarchy and Displacement:

## *An Anarchist Perspective on Community Organizing*

MSU GenCen "Working Towards Social Justice" Seminar Series

We live in a world where more people than at any other time in history are displaced, ripped without consent from their homes, communities, and lives, and made disposable. Particularly at this historical moment, such systemic barbarism is aimed at certain bodies: female, queer, people of color, people with disabilities, and the poor. In counterpoint, there is an emerging flowering globally of experiments with non-hierarchical forms of self-determination and self-organization, mutual aid and solidarity, and egalitarian social relations and commons. This talk and conversation will explore the marriage between patriarchy and displacement, honing in on our own power locally and collectively to counter disposability by building caring communities.

*Tuesday 11.15*  
*6:00pm*

*International Center*  
*Room 303*

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