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Donate or Volunteer with the Greater Lansing Food Bank

Help The Women's Historical & Hall of Fame Earn Cash by Shopping at Kroger with a Plus Card and/or

Support The Women's Historical Center & Hall of Fame through Amazon Smile

LSJ Op/Ed Article of Interest: "Harrelson: New cell phone law will help you escape abuse"

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Michigan Political Science Association Annual Convention. **October 20-21**

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Seneca Falls Dialogues: *Lean Out: Gender, Economics, and Enterprise*. **October 21-23**

Batterer Intervention Services Coalition of Michigan's 2016 International Conference. **November 2-4**

National Women's Studies Association Annual Conference. **November 10-13**

Calls for Papers and Proposals

Gender Studies Symposium: *Point of Access*. March 8-10, Portland OR. Deadline: **November 4**

Journal of Lesbian Studies: Special Issue on Lesbians and Comics. Deadline **December 2**

Women, Gender, & Families of Color

Gendered Perspectives on International Development (GPID) Working Papers

QED: A Journal in GLBTQ Worldmaking

Women in Judaism: A Multidisciplinary Journal

Trauma, Violence, & Abuse

Positions and Internships

Program Analyst (Gender Advisor), Foreign Agricultural Service. Deadline **October 19**

Sexuality Studies Assistant Professor, San Francisco State University

Assistant, Associate or Full Professor of Women, Gender, and Sexuality Studies, Washington University STL

Assistant Professor of LGBTQ Studies, University of Virginia

Cluster Hire in Race, Immigration, and Integration, University of California Riverside

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Spring 2017 MSU Courses of Interest

MSU Graduate Specialization in Women and Gender

MSU Minor in Defense Studies & Leadership

MSU Undergraduate Specialization in Bioethics, Humanities, and Society

MA in Women's History at Sarah Lawrence College

MA in Women's and Gender Studies at University of Southern Florida

Concentration in Gender and Sexuality Studies at Syracuse University in Florence

MA in Women's and Gender Studies at the University of Florida

GenCen News and Events

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GenCen has an active Facebook Group (www.facebook.com/groups/MSUGenCen/), which is a great way to get more local, national, and international news items of gender-related interest, all on your Facebook News Feed. It is also a great way to network among students, staff and faculty, and it is more informal than the monthly GenCen Digest. We encourage all of our members to post relevant content in our group and share comments! We also have an "official" Page (www.facebook.com/MSUGenCen), where we post our events and other items of GenCen/MSU-related interest. Feel free to "like" us to stay up-to-date!

GenCen Student Advising:

Walk-In Advising Hours (located in Room 206 International Center):

Undergraduate Walk-In Advising with Sara Bijani: Tuesdays, 10:00am-12:00pm; Wednesdays, 3:00-5:00pm

Graduate (GJEC, GSID) Walk-In Advising with Marisa Rinkus: Mondays, 10:00am-12:00pm

Graduate WGS Advising is by appointment only. Please email GenCen Co-Director **Stephanie Nawyn** (and cc gencen@msu.edu) to schedule an appointment.

Undergraduate Advising Appointments: To schedule an appointment with the Undergraduate GenCen advisor, please use MSU's online Student Success Dashboard **Advising Appointment System**. Login with your MSU netID and click the blue "Get Advising" button in the upper-right corner of the Student Success Dashboard homepage. Under "Reason," choose "Arts & Letters" and then "WGS." Select your desired appointment time and follow the appropriate steps to confirm. You and the advisor will both receive confirmation emails regarding your scheduled appointment. *[PLEASE NOTE: This system is officially "LIVE" as of the start of the Fall Semester, but is currently experiencing many technical difficulties. If you try to use the new system and experience problems, please email gencenad@msu.edu directly to schedule an appointment.]*

Graduate (GJEC, GSID) Advising Appointments: Email Advisor **Marisa Rinkus** to schedule an appointment.

Meet our new Student Advisors

GenCen is pleased to introduce Sara Bijani and Marisa Rinkus, our new student advisors. We would also like to thank Dori Hopkins (née Pynnonen) for having excellently served as our student advisor and internship coordinator for the past 5 years, and congratulate her as she moves on from the University to new opportunities. Sara will be advising for all undergraduate programs and internship coordination, and Marisa will be advising for GJEC and GSID graduate specializations. The WGS graduate specialization will be advised by new Co-Director Stephanie Nawyn.

Spring 2017 Internships coordinated through GenCen

Application Deadline: **November 1** **Electronic submissions are encouraged.**

If you have an internship or community engagement requirement to fulfill for your major, the Center for Gender in Global Context (GenCen) internship program offers internship coordination services and support to MSU undergraduate and graduate students interested in gender issues related to social justice, human rights, community development, reproductive health, domestic violence, and/or environmental health and justice.

The internship is designed to help students explore gender-related career fields while gaining valuable hands-on experience at local, national or international organizations. **Internship Details:**

*Work with our Internship Coordinator to find the right organization for you and to arrange for MSU credit

*Flexible schedules—Spring internships are typically 10 hours per week

*Advanced undergraduate and graduate students are encouraged to apply

*Most internships are unpaid, however some offer work-study to eligible students. Students are encouraged to contact the GenCen internship coordinator to discuss upcoming scholarship opportunities.

For more information, including an application and lists of potential local, national, and international internship opportunities, please visit <http://gencen.isp.msu.edu/undergraduate-students/internships/>.

GenCen-Sponsored Study Abroad Programs

GenCen administers and offers course credits in three Summer Study Abroad programs. The programs offered can be found through the MSU [Office of Study Abroad's](#) website, and are linked below. Please contact the GenCen Advisor at gencenad@msu.edu if you have any questions regarding how these programs may be used to fulfill requirements for the WGS Major, Minor, or the LGBTQ Minor! Please contact the program leaders directly if you have specific programmatic questions.

Environment and NGOs: Internships in Malawi

Gender, Sex, and Feminism in the UK

Sexual Orientation, Gender Identity & Sexual Politics in Amsterdam

GenCen Study Abroad Info Sessions (free pizza will be provided at both events!):

Gender, Sex, & Feminism in the UK

October 19, 6:30pm, 204 International Center

Questions? Contact program leads Allison Kolodzy (kolodzya@msu.edu) or Sara Bijani (bijanisa@msu.edu)

Sexual Orientation, Gender Identity, & Sexual Politics in Amsterdam

October 20, 6:30pm, 305 International Center

Questions? Contact leads Steven Ambrose (ambroses@msu.edu) or Jessica Travers (traver11@msu.edu)

***Tapestries of Hope* film screening and Q&A**

October 20

6:00-8:00pm [Doors open 5:30pm], Hannah Community Center Theater, 819 Abbot Rd, East Lansing

This event is FREE to attend, but [advance registration at this link](#) is required to save your seat!

Tapestries of Hope is a documentary shot in Zimbabwe that investigates the myth that if a man rapes a virgin he cures his AIDS. As the country struggles with food shortages and mass exodus, this myth is still endorsed by some traditional healers. This myth has caused HIV/AIDS to be one of the few things that continues to flourish in this southern African country. Starring Betty Makoni, a Zimbabwean, child abuse survivor, and the founder of the Girl Child Network. GCN rescues abused girls, re-empowers them, and teaches them NOT to be defined by the abuses committed against them. The film bears witness to the resilience of the girls and of the filmmakers who, despite being incarcerated and deported, refused to be silenced. The documentary interlaces the girls' stories with the true confession of a dying man who raped to cure his own AIDS. *Tapestries of Hope* is the call to action to stop the rape and abuse of children in Zimbabwe and around the globe. Director and writer Michealene Risley is an MSU alumna, award-winning filmmaker, director and human rights activist whose documentary film projects have addressed the health and survival of over half the world population.

www.tapestriesofhope.com

GenCen Colloquia Series: *New Research on Women and Gender - Global and Local Perspectives*

Fridays, 1:30-3:00pm, 303 International Center

November 18 (special location: 115 International Center), *"My Mom Planned Everything": An Examination of How Latinas Made Rural Work Meet Urban Needs in Michigan, 1940s-70s*, presented by Delia Fernandez, Department of History

This presentation examines the roles that Latinas played in maintaining their families' economic stability and meeting their social needs in West Michigan from the 1940s to the 1970s. As migrants from primarily Texas, Mexico, and Puerto Rico, Latinos found that they could not provide for their families through employment in just one industry. Instead, members of the same family would work in manufacturing, while others—usually mothers and children—toiled on Michigan fields to ensure that they had enough money to sustain themselves. While women were usually pegged as disposable employees, they used that position to become flexible workers who could facilitate the movement of themselves and their families into various industries. In addition, young women, in particular, often took on the task of finding and creating social events like dances

in rural and urban areas to create fulfilling and exciting lives for themselves in an environment that did not have a plethora of familiar cultural resources. This work challenges the way that we understand Latino laborers and brings lived workers' experiences to the forefront.

January 20, *(Imposing?) Sex on the Brain*, presented by Robyn Bluhm, Department of Philosophy/Lyman Briggs College

Feminists interested in neuroscience face a Catch-22 in assessing research on sex differences. On the one hand, such research is frequently entangled with gender stereotypes and it is often used to support problematic claims about women's and men's relative characteristics and abilities. On the other, the lack of attention to sex differences in clinical research has meant that women's health needs may go unmet. In this talk, I argue that one valuable way to approach this dilemma is to start with the more basic question of what it means to say that women's and men's brains are different. In doing so, I will draw on a recent study by the Israeli neuroscientist, Daphna Joel, which has prompted neuroscientists to begin addressing (or, perhaps more accurately, arguing over) exactly this question. I will show that the different answers on offer for this question have important implications for clinical neuroscience.

February 10, *From Beaches to Bathtubs: Women and Children in American Water History*, presented by Sara Fingal, Department of History/Lyman Briggs College

March 3, *The Social Context of Water Access and Affordability in Michigan*, presented by Jennifer Carrera, Department of Sociology

April 14, *Sustaining Community Capacity under Crisis: Flint's Civic Park Neighborhood*, presented by Louise Jezierski, James Madison College

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MSU campus is now tobacco free

As part of our continuing efforts to create a healthier campus, MSU became a tobacco-free environment on August 15. The ordinance applies to all property governed by the Board of Trustees and includes not only main campus but also all MSU sites across the state, nation and globe. In addition to traditional tobacco products such as cigarettes and chewing tobacco, the ordinance also prohibits the use of e-cigarettes and vaporizers. All FDA-approved nicotine replacement therapy products are permitted for cessation use. The rationale for this transition rests largely on a fundamental concern for the health of the entire campus community. Decades of research confirm the negative effects of smoking, smokeless tobacco and environmental tobacco smoke. We are counting on all members of the MSU community to help with this important effort. Faculty and staff members will play a key role in helping us with this culture change. More information about the ordinance, including an FAQ and toolkits for faculty, staff and supervisors, can be found at <http://tobaccofree.msu.edu/>.

Announcement from Women's Resource Center on its Closure and Incorporation into the WorkLife Office

Dear Friends & Colleagues of the Michigan State University Women's Resource Center:

The MSU Women's Resource Center (WRC) has been providing services to the campus and Greater Lansing community for over 24 years. It is with great pride and an open mind that we have embarked on the next phase of the WRC legacy. At the close of the 2015-2016 academic year, the WRC was incorporated into the new WorkLife Office. This transition has been in the works for several years and we look toward the future with optimism and dedication to continuing to serve our campus community. *Celebrate the Past:* As we packed decades of history into University Archives boxes, we celebrated the many contributions the WRC has made in advancing the lives of women and educating the community about gender justice and social justice issues. From the programs, conferences, workshops, and seminars to resource referral, consultation, student organization advising and educational initiatives, we are proud of the work we have accomplished. *Secure the Future:* As anyone in the line of gender justice work will tell you, the work is not over. Gender and social inequity still persists in our culture and on our campus. Women remain marginalized in many arenas, especially for those who navigate the world with additional marginalized identities. We are confident the work will continue, in order to create a brighter future for the next generation. *Honor the Legacy:* The Women's Resource Center has been committed to creating a climate that advocates for gender equity, values inclusion and provides resources to the MSU community. We believe the legacy will continue on through you, our supporters, and the work that we will continue to do as the new WorkLife Office. You can visit us in our new office, Linton Hall, Suite 118, call 517-353-1635, and email worklife@msu.edu. All staff personal phone lines and email addresses will remain the same. We look forward to connecting with you at the WorkLife Office.

For students seeking information about:

- **Women's Initiative for Leadership Development (WILD)*, including the *Women's Leadership Conference*, please contact Krysta Coleman in Student Life (colem371@vps.msu.edu or 517-355-8286).
- *Services/information about *gender diversity and/or transgender identities*, please contact the LGBT Resource Center (lbgrtc@msu.edu or 517-353-9520).
- **Academic or interview requests* regarding gender inequality, gender justice, etc. can be directed to the Center for Gender in Global Context (GenCen) at gencen@msu.edu or 517-353-5040.
- **Graduate student* concerns can be directed to the Graduate School (gradschool@grd.msu.edu or 517-353-3220) or Graduate Life and Wellness (gradwellness@vps.msu.edu or 517-884-1332).
- **All other inquiries* can be directed to the Division of Student Affairs and Services' main line at 517-355-7535.
- *All gender (specifically woman/female) related services can also be directed to the Women's Center of Greater Lansing, which is a *community-based* resource (womenscentergl@gmail.com or 517-372-9163).
- *If you are unsure where to obtain information you are seeking, you are welcome to contact Lydia Weiss (previously the Interim Director of the MSU Women's Resource Center) at weisslyd@msu.edu or 517-353-1635 for guidance.

LGBT Resource Center Weekly Evening Activities

5:00-7:00pm, 302 Student Services Bldg.

Mondays, *Family Game Night*

Join Staff and volunteers for a night of board games, telepictionary, Spaceteam, and a **Resource Center** staff favorite, Pictionary!

Tuesdays, *Study Night*

Bring your course readings, laptops, study materials, and headphones for a quiet and relaxing evening of studying in good company.

Wednesdays, *Coloring and Chill*

Help yourself to markers, colored pencils, and coloring books, or simply stop by to socialize with staff and other students.

MSU GLBT Alumni Homecoming Reception

October 14

6:30-9:30pm, Red Cedar Room, Kellogg Center

ADMISSION PRICING: \$20 for alumni, \$10 for students. As always, proceeds benefit the Pride Scholarship. The MSU GLBT Alumni Association invites you to our 11th annual MSU Homecoming party / reception! Join us for food, drinks, and the fellowship of the GLBT Spartan family on Friday October 14, following the MSU Homecoming Parade. The party will take place in the Kellogg Center's Red Cedar Room. This year we will pay tribute to our late secretary and Homecoming organizer extraordinaire, Bill Beachler. "This event is always a celebration of MSU and the LGBT community, two of the things that Bill loved," said Jessi De La Cruz, the board's vice president and coordinator of the Homecoming reception. "It makes sense that this is the perfect event to celebrate Bill's life and legacy." Beachler, who served as the board's secretary, passed away from natural causes in January. He had organized the homecoming reception since its inception, and held MSU football season tickets for more than 40 years.

Breast Cancer Awareness Night with MSU Women's Volleyball

October 19

6:00-8:00pm, Jenison Field House

Join the Pink Impact team at the MSU Women's Volleyball game on Wednesday, October 19. Wear your pink for Breast Cancer Awareness Night! Survivors are invited to participate in the first serve. Survivors, contact hallmeg1@ath.msu.edu to take part and get FREE tickets. MSU will take on the Scarlet Knights of Rutgers University.

Women's Networking Association Fall 2016 Series

The mission of the Women's Networking Association is to connect professional women across campus through meaningful and empowering relationships. Providing an opportunity for women to network and support one another is an essential step for building women's leadership at MSU and in the Greater Lansing community. Events are free and open to all. To RSVP to any events, email worklife@msu.edu or call 517-353-1635.

Facebook page / Facebook public group

October 19, 8:30-10:00am, 110 Chittenden Hall

Conflict, Choice and Consequences, presented by Dr. Julie Brockman, Associate Professor in MSU's School of Human Resources and Labor Relations. Conflict can be set off by uncertainty, fear, misalignment of expectations, and unpredictability. We all have to make choices about how to get back to balance and honor our personal needs during conflict. Dr. Brockman will guide participants through creating their own model for reconciliation to stay true to their personal brand during and after tough situations.

November 9, 5:30pm Dinner at Brody Hall, 7:00pm Women's Volleyball Game at Jenison Fieldhouse

Night on the Town FREE Socializing Event! *RSVP is required*

November 16, 8:30-10:00am, 110 Chittenden Hall

Self-Branding through Personal Reflections, presented by Brenda Nelson, MA, Division of Residential and Hospitality Services. Brenda will help participants reflect on what their personal brand is and if it truly encapsulates who they are and how others perceive them. The session will use mindfulness, meditation, and music to discover how to connect with one another and to learn to define themselves. Participants will learn how to find their greatness and how to give voice to their authentic personal brands that will attract others and build relationships that are vital for creating a strong network.

Undergraduate Research Office Fall 2016 Workshops

For more information on any of these workshops, contact the URCA Office at 517-884-4384.

October 19, 6:00-7:00pm, 306 Bessey Hall

Troubleshooting Your Undergraduate Research Experience

Intended for current undergraduate researchers, this panel discussion provides insight and suggestions on how to manage common challenges and problems. How can you establish an impactful working relationship with your supervisor? How do you manage to balance your academic, personal, and research responsibilities? How can you optimize your relationship with your faculty mentor? A panel of current undergraduate researchers will share their experiences and ideas.

November 3, 5:30-6:30pm, 313 Bessey

Finding a Summer Research Opportunity

There are a variety of summer opportunities available for students. Programs are hosted by colleges and universities around the United States and they provide an intensive research experience on a particular topic within a scholarly discipline. Participants generally work with an advisor on a research project over the duration of their respective programs (usually 10 to 12 weeks). Many host universities cover all expenses (including travel, accommodations, and food) and provide a stipend. For undergraduates with plans for graduate or professional school after MSU, summer research provides the opportunity to expand your professional network and acquire experience in an area of interest. In this workshop, you will learn more about summer research, the benefits of participation, and effective search strategies, including how to find and apply for opportunities.

Academic Women's Forum Fall 2016 Sessions

To pre-register for any or all events, email health4u@msu.edu.

Join the Facebook Group! *All seminars, meetings and events are open to all.* The Academic Women's Forum has been created to provide a safe-space to connect, build community and explore issues that are relevant to the success, support and empowerment of all faculty, academic staff, post-docs, librarians and graduate students who identify as women at MSU. The Academic Women's Forum was co-created by the MSU Women's Resource Center (now WorkLife Office), University Physician/Health4U, Faculty & Organizational Development and Graduate Life & Wellness.

October 20, 3:30-5:00pm, 1st floor Reference Instruction Room, MSU Main Library

Introduction to the Daring Way—Through the year, Certified Daring Way Facilitator Lisa Laughman (MSU Health4U/Employee Assistance Program) will facilitate sessions that will link the teachings of Dr. Brené Brown to life as an academic woman at MSU.

November 1, 3:30-5:00pm, 1st floor Reference Instruction Room, MSU Main Library

Fishbowl Discussion with Dr. Janet Lillie (Asst Vice President of Community Relations, Office of Gov'tl Affairs)—Hear from and ask questions about her experiences in higher education as a faculty member and now as an Assistant Vice President. *Fishbowl events will provide an opportunity to ask questions and interact with some of MSU's successful and inspirational women.

November 15, 3:30-5:00pm, W444 (Green Room), MSU Main Library

The Daring Way—Presentation and discussion facilitated by Certified Daring Way Facilitator Lisa Laughman (MSU Health4U/Employee Assistance Program) linking the teachings of Dr. Brené Brown to life as an academic woman at MSU.

November 29, 3:30-5:00pm, 1st floor Reference Instruction Room, MSU Main Library

Fishbowl Discussion with Dr. Naoko Wake (Assoc Professor in Lyman Briggs/History and recipient of Excellence in Diversity Award)—Hear from and ask questions about her experiences in higher education. *Fishbowl events will provide an opportunity to ask questions and interact with some of MSU's successful and inspirational women.

Mujer A Mujer series

October 20, November 17, December 7

6:00-8:00pm, C136 Holden Hall

Mujer a Mujer is a group based on a mission to empower undergraduate women at the University level to help them develop academically and professionally through inspirational role models. For more info contact Danielle Lopez at floresd3@msu.edu or Erica Fiasky at fiaskye@msu.edu.

Transforming Care Conference (funding sponsorship opportunity for MSU students)

October 19-21, Columbus, OH

The LGBT Resource Center will be sponsoring 2 graduate or medical students and 4 undergraduate students to attend the Transforming Care Conference in Columbus, Ohio October 19-21. The LBGTRC will be covering transportation, lodging, and registration fees for these 6 students. Transforming Care will bring together over 450 activists, academics, community members, health and social service professionals and others interested in reducing health disparities in the LGBTQ and HIV/AIDS community. The purpose of MSU students and the LBGTRC attending this conference is to benefit the school and campus, community, and the self. More information about the conference can be found at transformingcareconference.com. If you are interested in this opportunity, please get in touch with Nick Holcman at nick.holcman@gmail.com or (847) 602-0731.

Domestic Violence Awareness Month Candlelight Vigil

October 21

6:30pm-8:00pm, Eli and Edythe Broad Art Museum

We invite you to gather with us at the Broad Art Museum (547 E Circle Dr., East Lansing) for a Candlelight Vigil in remembrance and honor of victims and survivors of domestic violence. The purpose of the vigil is to provide an opportunity for all members of the Greater Lansing community to come together to honor those who have lost their lives, offer support to survivors of abuse and take a stand against domestic violence. Domestic Violence Awareness Month, observed in October, is a time for communities to unite to remember those who have lost their lives as a result of abuse, celebrate those who have survived, connect with those who work to end violence and raise public awareness about domestic violence in our communities. The Candlelight Vigil is a collaboration between EVE (End Violent Encounters), CARE (Capital Area Response Effort), MSU Safe Place, The Lansing Police Department, SIREN/Eaton Shelter, and The Women's Center of Greater Lansing. For more information, please contact Lauren Kirk, Volunteer & Follow Up Advocacy Coordinator, CARE (Capital Area Response Effort) at (517) 483-6827, Alyssa Baumann, Volunteer & Advocacy Coordinator, MSU Safe Place at (517) 432-9570, or Meghan Fought, Community Relations Coordinator, EVE, at (517) 372-5976.

2016 Global Focus Photo Contest

Submission Deadline: **October 21**

The 2016 Global Focus Photo Contest has now begun and submissions are accepted until October 21. There are three categories for submissions: students, alumni, and faculty/staff (including retirees). The top four winners from each category will have their photography featured in the International Center lobby. Entrants can submit up to three photos for consideration. To enter, you must have an official connection with MSU: student, faculty, staff, retiree, alum or Alumni Association member. Those involved in the competition (planning, judging, etc.) and photos from professional photographers are not eligible to win. Entries must be your original work and have been taken outside the US. You can apply on the ISP website or ISP's [Facebook](#).

Pink Impact: Breast Cancer Survivors and High Risk Symposium

November 5

8:30-12:30pm, Bott Building for Nursing Education and Research

Through a generous grant from Susan G. Komen Michigan®, the MSU College of Nursing and MSU Department of Surgery Comprehensive Breast Service is offering a breast cancer symposium. The free half-day event will focus on education and support with topics relevant for breast cancer survivors and those at risk along with their family and friends. To RSVP, please email pink.impact@ht.msu.edu or call (517) 884-8596. Please tell us your name, if you have had breast cancer and the number of people attending with you. Free parking available in the Clinical Center Parking Lot 90 (next to Bott Building), no tokens needed. **Map Link:**

5th Annual Learning Abroad Conference

November 18

12:00-7:00pm, International Center

The Learning Abroad Conference is designed to give voice to students' stories through a variety of creative media so that fellow students and MSU faculty and staff may better understand the learning abroad experience. We encourage you to use this event as a motivator to help your students "unpack" their learning abroad experience in terms of personal and professional growth as well as global and intercultural learning. Presentations may be about US students' experiences on study abroad, international students' experiences of studying abroad at MSU (or elsewhere), and U.S. students' experiences with international students at MSU (and vice versa).

Fire Within: A New Generation of Chinese Women Artists Exhibit

Through February 12, 2017

Alan and Rebecca Ross Education Wing, Eli & Edythe Broad Art Museum

Fire Within: A New Generation of Chinese Women Artists focuses a critical lens on the artistic production of a group of highly talented, emerging women artists from China. Collectively, the artists in this exhibition investigate a wide-range of themes and issues, including the status of women in China; cultural and gender identity; interpersonal relationships; and more broad sociopolitical dynamics, both in China and beyond. Importantly, their probing investigations stir discussion and draw attention to their diverse and varied experiences. The generation of individuals born in China during the 1970s and after witnessed significant changes—including ideological, cultural, social, and in the domestic sphere—as a result of China's opening up to foreign markets and international exchange. These shifts have in turn motivated artists to experiment within their own artistic practices in order to better understand the struggles and conflicts they encounter both privately and publicly. Following this line of inquiry, *Fire Within* brings together fresh perspectives and approaches to traditional mediums with the intent to reveal the new forms of consciousness that have emerged in recent years. Taken together, the works on display transcend gender and cultural differences, instead tapping into a more universal sense of human nature.

Curated by Adjunct Curator Dr. Wang Chunchen in collaboration with Steven L. Bridges, Broad MSU Assistant Curator.

Microaggressions Macroimpact: Take a Stand against Microaggressions

In response to growing social justice issues of race, gender, sexual orientation, ability, etc., Residence Halls Association has launched its campaign, *Microaggressions Macroimpact*. The primarily student-run initiative will focus on educating the campus community on microaggressions, and encouraging our fellow Spartans to create events, discussions, and initiatives on the impact our words have on one another. With consent, the photo campaign will highlight the faces and stories of students who deal with exclusion and prejudice on a daily basis. Look for their #WeAreAllSpartans on social media. For more information and to find out how you can help, visit their website [here](#).

Be a Part of Sexuality & Gender Research through the LGBT Research Center's Web Resources!

The LGBT Resource Center gets several requests to send research opportunities out to our listserv. Rather than sending out multiple annoying e-mails, we have centralized all of our research opportunities in one place on our website. We currently have opportunities to participate in the following research projects:

- LGB Healthcare Service Experiences
- LGBTQ Women's Career Planning
- Identity Indexes in Female Speech

To access these opportunities, head to the site listed above. If you have questions about a particular posting, contact the person listed.

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The State News Article of Interest: "President Simon to be inducted into Michigan Women's Hall of Fame"

"The Michigan Women's Hall of Fame annually inducts impactful women from Michigan to promote the equality of women by honoring their history and celebrating their accomplishments, according to its website. Simon was nominated by the **Center for Gender in Global Context**, specifically Lisa Fine of the MSU History Department. Her application went through a rigorous nomination process, Dial said."

The State News Article of Interest: "Forum held on Women's Lounge leads to sexual assault conversation"

Student after student expressed frustration that MSU showed a continued sense of apathy toward female students, shutting down both the Women's Lounge, Women's Resource Center and women's clinic this summer. Students heavily questioned the university's attitude toward female students' safety.

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Other News and Events

HUES National Coming Out Day Brunch

October 15

10:00-2:00pm, 319 ½ Grand River Avenue, East Lansing, MI 48823

You're invited to brunch! Come and join Humans Uniting for an Equal Society (HUES) for a brunch in honor of National Coming Out Day! They will be hosting it at the Graduate Employees Union office, located right on 319 1/2 Grand River in East Lansing. There will be eats and coffee, so bring yourself and your friends! *Please be advised - this venue is located upstairs and there is no elevator access.*

Michigan Women's Hall of Fame Awards Dinner & Induction Ceremony

October 19

5:00pm Reception, 6:00pm Dinner, 7:00pm Ceremony, Kellogg Center, 219 S Harrison Rd, East Lansing

Join us at the 33rd Michigan Women's Hall of Fame Awards Dinner and Induction Ceremony! Reservations are \$135 for members and \$150 for non-members. Reservations can be made online or by calling 517-484-1880 x 203. Members of the 2016 induction are: **Contemporary Inductees**—Dr. Anan Ameri, Rev. Faith Fowler, Dr. Olivia Letts, Diana Ross, Lou Anna Kimsey Simon; **Historical Inductees**—Elizabeth Sparks Adams (1911-2007), Daisy Elliott (1917-2015), Dr. Evelyn Golden (1913-2005), Mary Free Bed Guild (Established in 1891), Charlotte "Lottie" Wilson (1854-1914). [Click here to read more about the inductees!](#)

Women's Self Defense Seminar

October 23

12:00-3:00pm, Lake State CrossFit, 1161 E Clark Rd, Dewitt

Come learn lifesaving skills and support a great cause. 100% of all proceeds donated to the Firecracker Foundation. \$20 pre-register. \$30 at the door.

Free Family Saturdays at the Michigan Women's Hall of Fame

1:00-3:00pm, 213 W Malcolm X St, Lansing MI

October 15—Costume Party: BE a Great Girl!

November 12—Suffragist Theme

December 10—Holiday Theme

Trauma Sensitive Yoga Demo

October 30

2:00-4:00pm, AA Creative Corridor, 1133 S Washington Ave, Lansing, MI 48910

The Firecracker Foundation and Rising Phoenix Yoga invite teens and service providers to a special Halloween Trauma Sensitive Yoga Demo. Fun, PG-13 costumes are encouraged. No scary masks or messy makeup, please! To RSVP, please email info@thefirecrackerfoundation.org or call 517-242-5467.

Be Beauty Open Mic

November 3, December 1

7:00-8:30pm, The Robin Theatre, 1105 S Washington Ave, Lansing, MI 48910

Be Beauty is presented by La Puente with partner EVE (End Violent Encounters). Doors open at 6:30pm, performances at 7pm with a \$5 cover. The theme "Be You. Be Beauty. Be Lansing." invites a celebration of life with fine arts, cultural arts, and languages. Dance, music, poetry, and world traditions are welcome to the stage. Truly, the series should offer "good medicine" amidst a challenging time in our world. Special-guest performers for November include Ruelaine Stokes (Lansing Poetry Series) and DANCE Lansing Community Dance Project (Happendance). Advance sign-up from the public is encouraged due to limited spots. For details, please email lapuentasustain@gmail.com or message [La Puente](#) on Facebook.

In Her Cups Bras For a Cause Art Auction benefiting the Women's Center of Greater Lansing

November 4

6:00-8:00pm, The Runway, 300 S Washington Sq, Lansing

Join the Women's Center of Greater Lansing for our 7th annual In Her Cups Bras for a Cause Art Auction. We will have both a live and silent auction showcasing your beautiful br'art submissions. Why? Art is personal, and art heals. By attending the event and/or submitting a bra, you are helping cancer, domestic violence, and other trauma survivors heal. The proceeds go to programs and services at the Center that help all women realize their full potential. Look forward to a night full of food, drinks, and empowerment. Tickets are \$25 for a single ticket, \$40 for a pair, and \$50 for VIP front row seating. Visit www.womenscenterofgreaterlansing.org and click on DONATE to buy tickets.

Broad Family Days

First Saturdays of the Month

12:00-4:00pm, Broad Art Museum

The Eli and Edythe Broad Art Museum offers monthly Family Days both inside and outside of the museum walls. On the first Saturday of every month (excluding major holiday weekends), families with children of all ages can enjoy making art with professional teaching artists, family targeted museum tours and a variety of interactive activities in our expansive education wing. These events are free and open to the public!

Soulfire 2017: The Firecracker Foundation Gallery Reveal

November 12

6:30-9:00pm, Eagle Eye Golf Club

Twelve survivors of sexual trauma bravely volunteered to share their personal experiences of sexual trauma in a calendar of powerful images to raise funds to provide therapeutic services to our community's youngest survivors. You are invited to a special gallery reveal of the photographic art created in celebration of survival. They make clear the importance of a healthy, supportive community for people who have experienced sexual trauma. Wear your finest cocktail attire and toast in solidarity at the cash bar. You'll leave with your very own copy of the Soulfire 2017 calendar and the knowledge that you just sparked healing for children and teens in your hometown. Space is limited. Get your tickets today! <http://bit.ly/Soulfire2017>.

Women's Center of Greater Lansing Support Groups

ALL GROUPS SUBJECT TO CHANGE. PLEASE CONFIRM AND ENROLL BY CALLING THE WOMEN'S CENTER

Domestic Violence Support Group, Saturdays, 12:00-1:30pm

Support group for women experiencing intimate partner violence. Confidential and no cost. Please call for more information.

Sexual Assault Support Group, Mondays, 6:30-8:00pm

Contact for more information

Trans Together Support Group, Wednesdays, 12:00-1:00pm

A free support group for adults (18+) who are questioning their gender identity, who identify as trans, or who have a non-binary gender identity are invited to join together to discuss relevant topics, locate resources, and find support in embracing your truth and your journey.

Hope and Healing: A Support Group for Teen Girls, Wednesdays, 3:00-4:30pm

A *free* healing and supportive group for teen girl sexual abuse survivors. Sexual abuse is any kind of showing or touching of private parts that is unwanted, or being forced, manipulated or coerced to do something sexual. We meet in a cozy group room with couches & snacks to ensure everyone feels comfortable. After a sexual assault you likely feel a mix of emotions including fear, shame, sadness, anger, and loneliness. This group provides a safe place to come and meet with others who understand what you are going through. The group helps you deal with these emotions while celebrating your strength and survival skills. You get the

unique opportunity to share and support other girls who have been through similar situations. Topics we may cover include: ~ How abuse affects self-esteem ~ Choosing who and how to tell ~ Acknowledging survival tools ~ Healthy relationships ~ Building support ~ Physical and emotional healing ~ Growing stronger and moving forward. *Do I Have to Share?* We ask that each girl share their name and age and how they knew or did not know their abuser. As far as sharing more, it is completely up to you. *Is it Confidential?* Your information with us is entirely confidential. The only exception are things that fall under state mandatory reporting guidelines (like someone being abused or planning on harming themselves). We respect everyone's privacy and maintain trust in the group and ask all members to do the same.

Mindful Yoga Therapy Group, Thursdays, 5:45-7:00pm

Mindful Yoga is an informed, clinically-tested program developed to work with people who have experienced trauma and other health issues. Family members and support persons are welcome. No prior yoga experience is needed. These are drop-in, donation-based classes and chairs/modifications are available. For more information on the program, visit www.catalystwarrior.com

Great Girls in Michigan History Exhibit

Through February 2017, Michigan Women's Historical Center & Hall of Fame, 213 W Malcolm X St, Lansing

Michigan girls do great things. In this exhibit you will meet nine girls from different eras, with different dreams, from across the state of Michigan who all accomplished something amazing before the age of 20. It was not always easy for these girls; most had significant obstacles to overcome to reach their goals. Visitors will leave knowing what qualities Great Girls possess and inspired to reach their own dreams. This is appropriate for visitors of all ages. **Admission:** \$3.00 adults; \$2.00 students (6-18 yrs); Free for children under 5. **Hours:** Wednesday-Saturday 12:00-4:00pm and the 1st Sunday of every month 2:00-4:00pm. The Center is closed on major holiday weekends. Flexible times are available with advance group reservations.

Help the Firecracker Foundation with Amazon Wish List donations

Did you know that you can help the Firecracker Foundation by purchasing things for the office right off our Amazon Wish List? <http://bit.ly/1pb24Xh>

Donate to the Women's Center of Greater Lansing

"Since the Women's Center of Greater Lansing opened its doors in 2005, we have remained the only nonprofit organization in the Lansing area that provides essential services to enable women to be successful. Our mission is to guide, empower, and heal women. What makes us unique is HOW we do what we do. All of our services are offered on a one-to-one basis. No one is turned away, even those that can't pay. We are extremely grateful for our donors who contribute supplies year after year, but this year, we are specifically seeking cash donations. For our current fiscal year, our operating expenses have been \$147,900 and our revenue, which comes to us primarily in the form of donations, has been \$29,103. Our operating income has not been this slim in a long time and we are dangerously close to running out of operating funds. To close this gap, we are seeking cash donations so we can remain open and providing services. Your donation will help us provide these fundamental services for our clients:

- Employment. We uncover potential, help with resumes, job search tools, interview skills, and training.
- Computer lab. Reserved for job seekers with up-to-date software so they develop competitive skills.
- Essential resources. Our professional clothes closet offers confidence boosting clothing and accessories; our personal care and feminine hygiene closet provides women with hard-to-afford daily products and wigs to the women who are undergoing cancer treatment.
- Counseling. Our team of counselors help women cope with unemployment, loss, anxiety, divorce, sexual assault, intimate partner violence, child abuse, cancer and other soul-crushing traumas.
- Support groups. We cover a variety of topics such as: Healthy Relationships and Domestic Violence, Disability, Cars 101, Empowerment, Financial Independence, Caregiver Support, Learning To Let Go, Work Your Image, Healthy Communication, Anxiety and much more.

- Safety. We help women get out of abusive relationships safely.”

Donate or Volunteer with the Greater Lansing Food Bank

FOOD GREATEST NEEDS: <http://greaterlansingfoodbank.org/get-involved/give-food/items-needed/>

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES: <http://greaterlansingfoodbank.org/volunteer/volunteer-opportunities/>

The Greater Lansing Food Bank (GLFB) is a non-profit organization that provides emergency food to individuals and families in need in Ingham, Eaton, Clinton, Shiawassee, Clare, Isabella and Gratiot counties. Food is distributed through an extensive network of food pantries and community kitchens located throughout the region. The Food Bank annually serves tens of thousands of people, many of them seniors and children. Our recipients also include the “working poor,” those individuals who are employed but don’t earn enough to meet housing, health, transportation and food needs. Services provided by the Food Bank: Emergency food orders, which include enough non-perishable food to last a needy family for six days; Support to home and community gardeners, which includes providing seeds, plant starts and tools; Mobile food distributions. How to help the hungry in our community: A donation of \$60 feeds a family of four for six days. Food assistance is needed throughout the year, not just during the holidays. You can also help the Food Bank by: Distributing donation envelopes at your organization’s meetings, in your workplace or at your place of worship; Organizing a **food drive** in your neighborhood, at your local school or where you work; Becoming a **volunteer** for the Food Bank, Food Movers or The Garden Project; Donating by credit card at on our secure site or over the phone at 517-853-7800. TO VOLUNTEER: The Food Bank has fluctuating needs throughout the year based on season, product, and volunteer availability. To sign up for a volunteer opportunity, visit the website above for more information and to fill out the online application.

Help The Women’s Historical Center & Hall of Fame Earn Cash by Shopping at Kroger with a Plus Card and/or Support The Women’s Historical Center & Hall of Fame through Amazon Smile

The Michigan Women’s Historical Center & Hall of Fame can earn reward points every time you use your Kroger Plus Card. Signing up is free and only takes a few minutes. Plus, you can earn points for yourself to save money on groceries and fuel. Once you’re signed up, all you have to do is shop at Kroger and use your Kroger Plus Card when checking out. If you have any questions about this process or need help signing up, call office manager Samantha Cumbow at 517-484-1880 x203.

Your online shopping can also help support the Michigan Women’s Historical Center & Hall of Fame. Visit <http://smile.amazon.com/> and search for Michigan Women’s Studies Association next time you’re ready to make a purchase and 0.05% of the proceeds of your purchase will automatically be contributed.

LSJ Op/Ed Article of Interest: “Harrelson: New cell phone law will help you escape abuse”

“Since cell phones have become an integral part of our lives today, domestic abuse survivors should not be forced to abandon the numbers of their families, friends, doctors and other important people in their lives to escape this potential safety concern. Asking someone to part from the device that connects them to all of their personal information – including their entire support system – makes walking away from an abusive situation even more difficult.”

Huffington Post Article of Interest: “Undoing Unawareness: How Men Can Help Fight Sexual Assault”

Robert Mavrogordato, Nurse, SANE, and empathetic human being

“A storm is needed. As men, we can help. Until we do, our sisters, daughters and friends will fill my hospital’s exam room, Matt’s crisis center and Steve’s courtroom. We can be the butterflies that create a storm, but only if we collectively become more aware. We can become an active part of the solution and not just an overwhelming part of the problem. There are many ways to become more aware and engaged in combating rape culture. We can have formal training as victim advocates, prevention education outreach coordinators, prosecutors, or SANEs. Or we can simply be graduate students on a bicycle, like Carl-Fredrik Arndt and Peter Jonsson. We can be professionals or ordinary men who recognize without qualification that women do

nothing to deserve to have their humanity stolen. We can believe victims, who overwhelmingly tell the truth. We can stop to intervene rather than be complicit with rape culture. We can add more of our voices to the chorus of dedicated women who have long worked to bring about change. We can ask the women with whom we share our lives and homes what they think about the realities of life on both sides of the curtain.”

Yes Magazine Article of Interest: “How Women-Led Movements are Redefining Power, From California to Nepal”

“Women of color have unleashed powerful media campaigns and actions by connecting identity and its relationship with structural racism and institutional power. Whether it is indigenous women in the Amazon fighting corporate polluters and climate change or undocumented Latina domestic workers advocating for worker rights and dignity in California, women’s groups and networks are making links between unbridled capitalism, violence, and the erosion of human rights and destruction of the Earth. Here are just a few stories that show how they’ve done this. Dayamani Barla, a tribal journalist from Jharkhand, India, led a powerful movement to stop the world’s largest steel company, ArcelorMittal, from displacing thousands of indigenous farming communities. Barla has flipped the script on traditional models of “development” by defining it from an indigenous worldview. In 2013, pastoral Maasai women braved violence and threats to stop a land grab east of the famed Serengeti National Park in Loliondo. These land struggles have catalyzed women’s leadership in the traditionally male-dominated Maasai community and illuminated the vital role women play in protecting Maasai culture and identity. Mujeres Unidas y Activas (MUA), a grassroots organization of Latina immigrant women in the San Francisco Bay Area, has a dual mission of promoting personal transformation and building community power for social and economic justice. In 2013, MUA members played a key role in the passage of the historic California Domestic Worker Bill of Rights.”

MLive Article of Interest: “Transgender bathroom guidelines approved by State Board in divided vote”

“After months of debate, a divided State Board of Education approved voluntary guidelines that aim to create a supportive environment for LGBT students, but which have drawn controversy for provisions surrounding bathroom and locker room use. The guidelines, approved 6-2, say districts should allow transgender students to use bathrooms or locker rooms that match their gender identity, although private accommodations should be made for all students upon request. Other parts of the guidelines urge schools to adopt policies that protect LGBT students from harassment and to designate a staff member who can provide students with information or support related to LGBT issues.”

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Conferences and Workshops

Michigan Political Science Association (MIPSA) Annual Convention

October 20-21, Central Michigan University

This is a particularly interesting time to consider the interplay of sex, gender, power and politics in the United States, with Hillary Clinton's historic presidential nomination, Donald Trump's perceived sexism with regard to women, the enormous gender gap between the candidates, and the wide range of responses these and other events have provoked and will undoubtedly continue to provoke, and we hope you will contribute to our conversations in Mount Pleasant. The MIPSA is always interested in proposals from highly motivated students and faculty who are working in Women's Studies, Gender Studies, or other fields and who are engaged in research that is part of the field of political science broadly defined.

2nd Annual With/Out – ¿Borders? Conference: *Post-Oppression Imaginaries and Decolonized Futures*

October 20-23, Kalamazoo College, Kalamazoo, MI

The Kalamazoo College Arcus Center for Social Justice Leadership's second WITH/OUT — ¿BORDERS? Conference seeks to bring people together across disciplines and social locations whose work envisions an imaginative, robust, plentiful and just future: Academics and organic intellectuals, artists and speculative fiction writers, critical pedagogues and prison abolitionists, frontline organizers and next systems advocates, scientists and human rights leaders are all welcomed. This will be a CONFERENCE – [UN] CONFERENCE featuring modules that will include panel discussions, breakout sessions, films and performances designed to prompt us to collectively conjure, theorize, decolonize and map a future we can all thrive in. Modules will focus on the following interventions: Cultural and academic work informed by Afrofuturism, the visioning of post-oppression desire through fantasy, film, technology and speculative fiction; radical teaching, campus activism and education advocacy that upends colonial knowledge to create liberatory educational structures and paradigms; ideologies and technologies that move toward a renewable energy [r]evolution and sustainable future; global and local work creating next systems and deploying new economic possibilities and strategies.

5th Annual Graduate Student Research Conference on Migration: *Migration With(out) Boundaries*

October 21-22

MSU will host the fifth annual graduate student research conference on migration, welcoming papers on the theme, Migration With(out) Boundaries. Migration Studies is a burgeoning and all-too-relevant area of academic attention, and the conference seeks to foster a cohort of scholars working on any thematic, conceptual, spatial, or temporal aspect of human migration from any disciplinary perspective. Submissions are welcome from academics at any stage of their graduate career, and may include research designs, dissertation or thesis chapters, methodological models, works in progress, and preliminary findings. Paper sessions will take place on October 22. MSU faculty representing the field of migration studies across numerous disciplines and departments will serve as discussants. . Email questions to: migrationwithoutboundaries@gmail.com

Seneca Falls Dialogues: *Lean Out: Gender, Economics, and Enterprise*

October 21-23, Seneca Falls, New York

The biennial Dialogues are a collaborative effort to reinvigorate Seneca Falls as a site of feminist activism and intellectual exchange. We invite students, activists, and teachers to participate in a weekend of dialogue on the following themes: Divisions of Labor; Class, Gender, and Sexuality; Teaching Economic Justice; Representations of Work; Gender and Entrepreneurship; Global Economies; Art, Activism, and Social Justice; Women in Business. Registration opens in June. The SFD is sponsored by The Women's Institute for Leadership and Learning (WILL) in collaboration with the College Alliance (Hobart and William Smith Colleges, Monroe Community College, The College at Brockport: State University of New York, the University of Rochester, St.

John Fisher College), Friends of the Women's Rights National Park, the National Women's Hall of Fame, the Town of Seneca Falls, and the Greater Rochester Area Branch of American Association of University Women.

Batterer Intervention Services Coalition of Michigan's 2016 International Conference

November 2-4, Edward Village Conference Center in Dearborn, Michigan

BISC-MI has taken the lead in the last 21 years of bringing together some of the best faculty from around the world to address controversial issues and provide unequalled networking opportunities. The 2016 Conference is no exception! This year's theme is Reflecting Forward. The future of the work we are engaged in is informed by our rich history. This conference will address the myriad issues facing the work we do today while we learn from our past, and plan for the future, to continue efforts to end domestic violence. A variety of thought-provoking sessions will address topics of research, culture, trauma, faith, technology, and strategies for effectively moving forward. This conference will bring together many of the leaders in the field to define the future of intervention programming, with an emphasis on understanding the many intersections involved in working with domestic violence perpetrators. Come with your questions and challenges; leave energized, well-informed and with new national connections with others doing this work. Don't miss out! There are space limitations, so register now. Make reservations online at www.hotel-dearborn.com or call at 313-592-3622. You must group code 542 to get this special group rate!

National Women's Studies Association Annual Conference: *Decoloniality*

November 10-13, Montreal, Quebec

Decoloniality is a worldview that denaturalizes settler colonial logics and structuring violences. Coloniality and settler governance are transnational in scope and include territorial occupation, conquest, removal, economic exploitation, resource extraction, displacement, and dehumanization. Settler colonialism is also a way of knowing that permeates institutions, including education, the law, science, economics, politics, and religion. Decoloniality disrupts and departs from settler logics, structures, myths, stories, archives, institutions, affects, embodiments, aesthetics, desires, ontologies, categories, cartographies, and politics. It has a long, diverse genealogy and can be understood as an ongoing process of co-resistance and alliance. As an approach to thought and action, decolonial work exposes how coloniality is not "past": simultaneously, it traces forms of critical and creative resistance and shows possibilities for (and the necessity of) decolonial being/ knowing/ loving/ resisting/ creating (L. Simpson 2015).

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Calls for Papers and Proposals

Gender Studies Symposium: *Point of Access*

March 8-10, Lewis & Clark College, Portland OR

Proposal Submission Deadline: **November 4, 5:00pm**

This interdisciplinary symposium is designed to bring together people from academia, activism, and the arts to examine concepts of accessibility and dynamics of resource distribution in relation to gender and sexuality. We are accepting proposals for individual academic papers (each lasting 15-20 minutes), full panels, hands-on workshops, roundtable discussions, readings, and artistic productions. Please see our explanations of the different **presentation formats**. We especially welcome interactive sessions. All presentations examining issues of gender and sexuality will be considered, but we especially welcome those focusing on questions of access. To generate some thinking, we offer the following list of possible topics for exploration, but we stress that presentations do not need to address these areas of inquiry: body politics; disability studies; health care and reproductive justice; state-controlled resources; academic institutions; immigration and citizenship; pay gap and job segregation; technology and social media; social and political inclusivity; architecture and landscape design. For instructions on submission guidelines and more, please visit go.lclark.edu/gender/call

Journal of Lesbian Studies: Special Issue on *Lesbians and Comics*

Proposal Submission Deadline: **December 2**

Comics have been an important locus of lesbian identity, community, and politics for generations. Accordingly, this special issue will explore the intersection of lesbians and comics. What role have comics played in the cultural construction, social visibility, and political advocacy of same-sex female attraction and identity? Likewise, how have these features changed over time? What is the relationship between lesbian comics and queer comics? In what ways does lesbian identity differ from queer female identity in comics, and what role has the medium played in establishing this distinction as well as blurring, reinforcing, or policing it? Discussions of comics from all eras, countries, and styles are welcome. Likewise, we encourage examinations of comics from not simply literary, artistic, and visual perspectives, but from social, economic, educational, and political angles as well. Please send 2-page proposals, formatting using MLA style, to abate.30@osu.edu. Full-length versions of essays (ranging from 5,000 to 7,000 words) chosen for inclusion in the special issue will be due April 1st, 2017.

Women, Gender, and Families of Color

Women, Gender, and Families of Color (WGFC) invites submissions for upcoming issues. WGFC, available in libraries through Project MUSE and JSTOR, is a multidisciplinary journal that centers the study of Black, Latina/o, Indigenous, and Asian American women, gender, and families. Within this framework, the journal encourages theoretical and empirical research from history, the social and behavioral sciences, and humanities including comparative and transnational research, and analyses of domestic social, cultural, political, and economic policies and practices. The journal has a rolling submission policy and welcomes manuscripts and proposals for guest-edited special issues, and book reviews at any time. Manuscripts accepted for review receive an editorial decision within an average of 45-60 days.

Gendered Perspectives on International Development

Applications accepted on a rolling basis.

Gendered Perspectives on International Development (GPID) publishes scholarly work on global social, political, and economic change and its gendered effects in developing nations. *GPID* cross-cuts disciplines, bringing together research, critical analyses, and proposals for change. Our previous series, the *WID Working Papers* (1981-2008), was among the first scholarly publications dedicated to promoting research on the links between international development and women and gender issues. In this tradition, *GPID* recognizes diverse processes of international development and globalization, and new directions in scholarship on gender

relations. The goals of *GPID* are: 1) to promote research that contributes to gendered analysis of social change; 2) to highlight the effects of international development policy and globalization on gender roles and gender relations; and 3) to encourage new approaches to international development policy and programming. *GPID Working Papers* are article-length manuscripts (9,000-word maximum) by scholars from a broad range of disciplines, disseminating materials at a late stage of formulation that contribute new understandings of women's and men's roles and gender relations amidst economic, social, and political change. Individual papers in the series address a range of topics, such as: gender, violence, and human rights; gender and agriculture; reproductive health and healthcare; gender and social movements; masculinities and development; and the gendered division of labor. We particularly encourage manuscripts that bridge the gap between research, policy, and practice. If you are interested in submitting a manuscript to the *GPID Working Papers* series, please send a 150-word abstract summarizing the paper's essential points and findings to Jessica Ott, Managing Editor, at papers@msu.edu. If the abstract suggests your paper is suitable for the *GPID Working Papers*, the full paper will be invited for peer review and publication consideration. Please note that authors retain the copyright to their papers and are encouraged to publish their papers in other journals.

QED: A Journal in GLBTQ Worldmaking

Applications accepted on a rolling basis.

QED: A Journal in GLBTQ Worldmaking ventures to bring together scholars, activists, public intellectuals, policy makers, artists, and other cultural producers to explore issues that matter to the diverse lived experience, struggle, and transformation of GLBTQ peoples wherever they may be. With an emphasis on worldmaking praxis, QED mobilizes public argument, theory, criticism, and history through its published essays, commentaries, interviews, roundtable discussions, and event, performance, and book review. The journal is published three times per year. Submission guidelines can be found at the website linked above.

Women in Judaism: A Multidisciplinary Journal

Applications accepted on a rolling basis.

Women in Judaism: A Multidisciplinary Journal is an academic, refereed journal published exclusively on the Internet, and devoted to scholarly debate on gender-related issues in Judaism. The ultimate aim of the journal is to promote the reconceptualization of the study of Judaism, by acknowledging and incorporating the roles played by women, and by encouraging the development of alternative research paradigms. Cross-methodological and interdisciplinary, the journal does not promote a fixed ideology, and welcomes a variety of approaches. Submissions are always welcome. Electronic submissions through the journal's system are encouraged at all times. See the link above for submission citation and formatting guidelines. What to submit: Articles; essays; short notes; book, film and theatre reviews; conference proceedings and bibliographies from all disciplines in the humanities and social sciences. Materials for the Journal are submitted to a blind-review process. The editors reserve the right to edit manuscripts with respect to length and content; however, any substantial changes will be made in consultation with the author. Previously published materials are also considered. However, it is the author's responsibility to obtain the copyright permission from their publisher. Authors are welcome to include images and/or pictures with their submission. Copyright issues for these should be cleared by the authors before submission. *Women in Judaism* usually publishes within twelve months. Every effort is made to shorten the publication schedule. Authors are encouraged to inquire about the status of their submissions periodically. Prior to the publication date, authors will be required to sign a copyright agreement with Women in Judaism Inc. Basically, this copyright agreement grants Women in Judaism the exclusive rights to publish the work on the Internet. *Women in Judaism: A Multidisciplinary Journal* is a non-paying market.

Trauma, Violence, & Abuse

Applications accepted on a rolling basis.

Trauma, Violence, & Abuse is devoted to synthesizing, expanding, and organizing knowledge on all forms of

trauma, violence and abuse. It is dedicated to professionals and advanced students who work in all forms of trauma, violence and abuse and is intended to compile knowledge that impacts practice, policy, and research. A practitioner-oriented journal, *Trauma, Violence, & Abuse (TVA)* publishes review manuscripts which cover a body of empirical research, legal case studies, or theoretical/conceptual ideas affecting practice, policy, and research. *TVA* does not publish case studies nor reports of individual research studies. *TVA* accepts comprehensive reviews of research, legal cases, or conceptual and theoretical developments in any aspect of trauma, violence or abuse. Each manuscript must begin with a clear description of the knowledge area that is being researched or reviewed and its relevance to understanding or dealing with trauma, violence, or abuse. Each review manuscript must also provide a clear discussion of the limits of the knowledge which has been reviewed, and must include two summary tables; one of critical findings and the other listing implications of the review for practice, policy, and research. The tables must accompany submission. Manuscripts should be prepared in APA style and may be up to forty typed double spaced pages in length. All manuscripts are peer reviewed and should be submitted with a letter indicating that the material has not been published elsewhere and is not under review at another publication. Manuscripts should be submitted electronically to <http://mc.manuscriptcentral.com/tva> where authors will be required to set up an online account on the SageTrack system powered by ScholarOne. Inquiries may be made by email at contej@u.washington.edu.

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Positions and Internships

Program Analyst (Gender Advisor), Foreign Agricultural Service

Application Deadline: **October 19**

Begin a challenging and rewarding career with the Foreign Agricultural Service (FAS), an agency of the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA). FAS is a dynamic foreign affairs agency with offices in Washington, D.C. and 70-plus countries around the world. FAS is seeking committed professionals with diverse skills and talents to help improve foreign market access for U.S. products, build new markets, enhance the competitive position of U.S. agriculture in the global marketplace, and provide food aid and technical assistance to foreign countries. This is an excepted service, time-limited, term appointment for up to 5 years, with the possibility of renewals. Excepted service positions do not afford competitive status. Office of Capacity Building and Development (OCBD), a program area of the Foreign Agricultural Service (FAS), plans, conducts, administers, and coordinates the U.S. Department of Agriculture's (USDA) programs on international trade capacity building, sustainable agriculture and food security. Specific emphasis is oriented toward, but not limited to, administering and implementing U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID)-funded programs under Participating Agency Service Agreements (PASAs). This position is located in USAID's Bureau for Food Security's Office of Country Strategy and Implementation (BFS/CSI). The incumbent of this position is responsible for serving as one of BFS's technical advisors on gender-related issues in agricultural development and food security. These focus areas are a priority of the U.S. development assistance effort and a growing part of the Office's portfolio. Work frequently involves short-fuse deadlines and high visibility within the Agency, the U.S. Government inter-agency process, and the international donor community. The incumbent would work on the Country Strategy and Implementation Office's Technical Division (CSI/TD), under the supervision of the Technical Division Chief, expected to work independently as well as collaboratively within the office and broader Agency effort. Salary Information: First time hires to the Federal government normally start at the lowest rate of the salary range. Visit the website to view the full list of duties and qualifications for the position. US Citizenship is required.

Sexuality Studies Assistant Professor, San Francisco State University

Applications accepted until position is filled.

San Francisco State University, Department of Sociology and Sexuality Studies invites applicants for a tenure-track, Assistant Professor position in the discipline of Sexuality Studies, with expertise in Women's Sexual and Reproductive Health. This position begins in August 2017. The mission of Sexuality Studies is to advance multidisciplinary teaching, research, and advocacy in sexuality studies, sexual literacy, well-being and social justice. We provide students with knowledge about processes and variations in sexual cultures, sexual identity and gender role formation, and the social, cultural, historical, and ethical foundations of sexuality, intimate relationships, and sexual health. The department has a long commitment to community building and focuses on issues of social justice and sexuality, including the impact of factors of social inequality - such as poverty, racism, marriage equality, and homophobia - upon sexual well-being and sexual health across the lifespan. We offer a Master's Degree in Sexuality Studies, a Minor in Sexuality Studies and a Minor in Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, and Transgender Studies. San Francisco State University is a pioneer in sexuality teaching and research in the United States with a fifty-year history of advocating and teaching sexuality education, sexual literacy and social justice for all people.

Asst, Assoc or Full Professor of Women, Gender, & Sexuality Studies; Washington University St. Louis

Applications accepted until position is filled.

The Department of Women, Gender, and Sexuality Studies at Washington University in St. Louis seeks a scholar trained in social science methods whose research is non-US based. We particularly encourage applications from candidates whose work focuses on the global south and is interdisciplinary in nature; transnational expertise is also welcome. Candidates must have completed the Ph.D. in gender and sexuality

studies or a social science-related field, including anthropology, economics, geography, political science, psychology, or sociology, by July 1, 2017 and be eligible to work in the United States. Candidates at the Associate and full Professor rank must have a distinguished record of publication in the field.

The duties of this position include teaching undergraduate and graduate courses; conducting research and other scholarly activities, including publishing in scholarly journals; and performing departmental and university service and other duties assigned by the University. The normal teaching load is 2/2. Diversity and inclusion are core values of Washington University, and the successful candidate will demonstrate the ability to create inclusive classrooms and environments in which a diverse array of students learn and thrive.

The Department of Women, Gender and Sexuality Studies at Washington University has a vibrant undergraduate major and minor, and a strong and expanding graduate certificate program. We currently have a core faculty of eight, and affiliated faculty across the humanities, in anthropology and sociology, and in law and social work. The department's research strengths include race, gender and cultural studies, sexuality studies, and feminist and queer theory. Applicants should submit a letter of interest describing their scholarly qualifications and research; current curriculum vitae; teaching statement detailing their approach to teaching and to creating diverse and inclusive learning environments; and three (3) letters of recommendation to wgss@wustl.edu. Requests for additional information may be directed to Professor Andrea Friedman, Search Committee Chair, at afriedman@wustl.edu.

Assistant Professor of LGBTQ Studies, University of Virginia

Review of applications began on October 15

The University of Virginia Arts & Sciences Women Gender & Sexuality Program invites applicants for a tenure-track Assistant Professor position. We seek candidates dedicated to our mission and passionate about teaching in a world class institution. Candidates are sought who teach and conduct research in the general area of LGBTQ Studies. Field of specialization within LGBTQ Studies is open, but candidates in any area of LGBTQ health, especially those who work from a global perspective and/or in relation to race and ethnicity are particularly encouraged to apply. Candidates from other areas of the humanities and social sciences are also welcome. In addition to developing external funding to support research endeavors, candidates will be expected to teach and provide service to the University, WGS Program, and professional organizations. The appointment begins with the fall term of 2017, with an anticipated start date of July 25, 2017. Applicants must be on track to receive a Ph.D. in the relevant field by June 2017 and must hold a Ph.D. at the time of appointment. To apply candidates must submit a Candidate Profile through <https://jobs.virginia.edu>, search on posting number 0619405 and electronically attach the following: a cover letter of interest describing research agenda and teaching experience, a curriculum vitae, a sample article- or chapter-length scholarship (Attach to Writing Sample 1) and contact information for three references. In addition, please have reference letter writers email letters directly to wgsuva@virginia.edu. Questions regarding the application process in JOBS@UVa should be directed to: WGS Program, wgsuva@virginia.edu

Cluster Hire in Race, Immigration, and Integration, University of California Riverside

Applications accepted until position is filled.

The University of California Riverside is embarking on a major new hiring initiative that will add 300 tenure-track positions in 33 cross-disciplinary areas selected through a peer-reviewed competition. Over the next three years, we will hire multiple faculty members in each area and invest in research infrastructure to support their work. This announcement aims to fill up to four positions, at both the junior and senior levels, in social science research related to "Race, Immigration, and Integration: Empirical and Applied Approaches." Topical areas of focus in this cluster search include: social movement and political power, including community mobilization against discrimination, hate crimes, police brutality, and immigrant detention; educational opportunities across the K-16 education pipeline with a focus on racialization, including its intersections with class, gender, sexuality, and immigration status; the study of media (including mainstream media, ethnic media, and social media) and its relationship to social attitudes, civic engagement, and community formation;

and demography and public health, including disparities in health and health care delivery, immigrant health, and culturally competent health care services. Candidates should clearly indicate their topic(s) of focus in their cover letter. We are looking for candidates with a strong research record commensurate with rank, including relevant fellowships, honors, and awards. Candidates will be expected to teach and guide the research of undergraduate and graduate students, and they should be committed to boosting UCR's research in empirical and applied research on race, immigration, and integration.

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Fellowships, Scholarships and Grants

MSU GenCen Graduate Student Grants to Support Travel for Conference Presentations

Application Deadline: **Rolling**

The Center for Gender in Global Context will be awarding a number of travel grants up to \$300 to support graduate students who will be delivering papers or other presentations on research related to Women's and Gender Studies at academic conferences. A student may only apply for this grant once per academic year, and preference will be given to those who have not previously won awards. These funds should supplement support from the student's home department. Students must apply prior to travel. The student must be registered for at least one credit in the semester that funding is awarded. Applications must include evidence that a paper/presentation has been accepted at an academic conference, a current CV, a letter of support from the student's advisor, evidence of support from student's home department, and an estimated budget of costs to be incurred. Please email all materials to gencen@msu.edu in either Word or PDF format. Hard copies can be sent to the GenCen office in the International Center if preferred.

MSU GenCen Graduate Student Grants to Support Travel for Research Collection

Application Deadline: **Rolling**

The Center for Gender in Global Context will be awarding a number of travel grants up to \$500 to support graduate students whose major research focus is Women's and Gender studies, and who will be traveling to conduct preliminary exploratory research in advance of writing a dissertation grant proposal. Students may only apply and be awarded once in their graduate career. Students must apply prior to travel. The student must be registered for at least one credit in the semester that funding is awarded. Applications must include a cover letter describing the student's graduate program and project, a current CV, a letter of support from the student's advisor, evidence of support from student's home department, and an estimated budget of costs to be incurred. Please email all materials to gencen@msu.edu in either Word or PDF format. Hard copies can be sent to the GenCen office in the International Center if preferred.

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Study Opportunities

Spring 2017 MSU Courses of Interest:

HST201, Section 6: Historical Methods and Skills – Section focus: Docile Women, Loyal Warriors, and Other Myths of Old Japan. M/W 3:00-4:30pm. This class is exclusively focused on issues of gender in pre-modern Japan. We will read some fascinating translated primary source documents, including romantic literature, diaries that reveal that underside of life at court, warrior accounts of medieval battle, and more. This class will be taught by associate professor Ethan Segal, segale@msu.edu.

HST850, Section 2: Seminar in Comparative History: Sexuality, Health, and Illness. M 4:10-7:00pm. The topic is the history of sexuality, health, and illness, and the course is comparative in that it explores the US, Japanese, Korean, and Chinese histories in the nineteenth and twentieth centuries. The course will be useful for students studying medical anthropology, not to mention those in women, gender, sexuality studies. This course will be taught by Professor Naoko Wake, wake@msu.edu.

FLM452, Section 1: Film, Gender, and Sexuality. M 4:10-7:00pm & W 4:10-6:00pm

Central concerns of the course will include the relation between women's cinema practice and feminist film theory; the connection of film form to the representation or expression of identity and desire; the politics and possibilities of an avant-garde then and now; and a greater understanding of the influence of psychoanalysis on feminist film work.

MSU Graduate Specialization in Women and Gender

The Graduate Specialization in Women and Gender is designed for completion by either Master's or doctoral students. The graduate specialization in Women and Gender is designed to foster the study of women and gender across disciplines and national borders, provide opportunities for graduate students to obtain a comprehensive, cross/interdisciplinary academic experience in women and gender, and to foster the growth of interdisciplinary research and teaching on women and gender. Emphasis is given to understanding the diversity of women's lives nationally and globally. The graduate specialization is open to graduate students with adequate undergraduate preparation in women and gender. The specialization should complement advanced, discipline-based degrees by providing an interdisciplinary, feminist component.

MSU Undergraduate Minor in Defense Studies & Leadership

The new minor in Defense Studies and Leadership is now available for enrollment. This minor is open to all undergraduates. The minor is administered by the Department of History, with Emily Tabuteau as advisor. She can be contacted at tabuteau@msu.edu. Students who want to talk before deciding whether to take on the minor should also email the advisor to set up a time to meet.

MSU Undergraduate Minor in Bioethics, Humanities, and Society

This program strives to serve students who seek to broaden their understanding of health and healing by drawing on several disciplinary perspectives, including philosophy, history, literature, anthropology, sociology, and others. We commonly find that, among others, many pre-professional students (pre-nursing, pre-dental, pre-medical, and pre-public health) are interested in our program.

MA in Women's History at Sarah Lawrence College

This program is intellectually challenging and highly focused. It introduces students to the growing historical literature on women, feminist theory, and research methods and resources in the field.

MA in Women's and Gender Studies at University of Southern Florida

The mission of the Department of Women's and Gender Studies at the University of South Florida is feminist undergraduate and graduate education, research, and practice for social justice by engaging students in the discovery and production of knowledge that emerges from feminist perspectives on culture and society.

Concentration in Gender and Sexuality Studies at Syracuse University in Florence

Syracuse University in Florence is happy to announce the expansion of its academic concentration in Gender and Sexuality Studies, which now offers 9 upper-division courses cross-listed in both Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender Studies (LGBT) and Women's and Gender Studies (WGS). Gender and Sexuality Studies in Florence provides an opportunity for students to explore European attitudes and lifestyles that are often very different from those current in their home culture. Internships and opportunities for Community Engagement with local organizations, municipal offices and activist groups are open to all students.

MA in Women's and Gender Studies at the University of Florida

A Master's degree in Women's Studies prepares you for doctoral work in a broad range of disciplines or for careers in teaching, social policy making, nongovernmental organizations, health and human services, and the arts and performance. Students pursuing interdisciplinary graduate work in the Center for Women's Studies and Gender Research at the University of Florida learn about feminist and other theoretical approaches and methodologies for examining the role of gender in cultural systems. Gender is understood in intersection with other sociocultural categories, including race, ethnicity, social class, sexuality, religion, physical ability, age, and nationality.

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