

BCRW SPRING 2014 EVENTS

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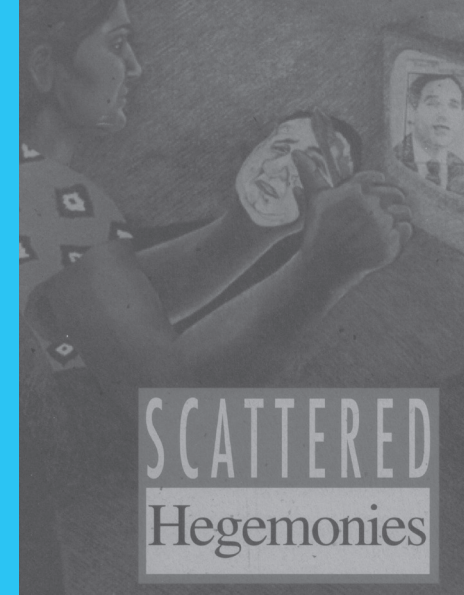
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LUNCHTIME LECTURE STRENGTHENING EMPIRICAL REASONING ACROSS THE CURRICULUM

A lecture by Heather Van Volkinburg

Tuesday, 02/11 12 PM
BCRW, 101 Barnard Hall

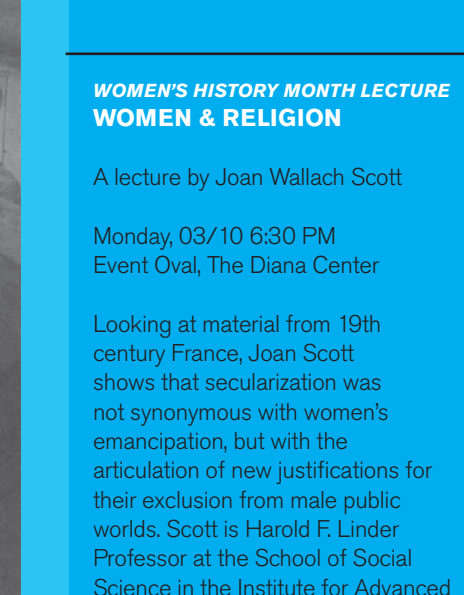
In a society focused on big data, how can women's colleges ensure that students have the skills they will need in an evolving landscape that increasingly relies on empirical approaches? How can educators from history to computer science integrate empirical assignments into their courses? Heather Van Volkinburg, Barnard's associate director of learning initiatives and data services, draws on data collected at the newly created Empirical Reasoning Lab (ERL) to explore strategies to enhance critical thinking about numerical data, quantitative literacy, and qualitative analysis.



THE SCHOLAR AND FEMINIST XXXIX LOCATIONS OF LEARNING Transnational Feminist Practices

Saturday, 02/22 10 AM– 5:30 PM
Barnard Campus

Inderpal Grewal and Caren Kaplan, authors of the landmark *Scattered Hegemonies: Postmodernity and Transnational Feminist Practice*, keynote this year's conference, bringing together scholars from across diverse disciplines and regions to explore how transnational feminisms help us to analyze and respond to recent global transformations, such as the Arab Spring, the occupy movements, and other widespread protests aimed at transforming existing systems of governance.



WOMEN'S HISTORY MONTH LECTURE WOMEN & RELIGION

A lecture by Joan Wallach Scott

Monday, 03/10 6:30 PM
Event Oval, The Diana Center

Looking at material from 19th century France, Joan Scott shows that secularization was not synonymous with women's emancipation, but with the articulation of new justifications for their exclusion from male public worlds. Scott is Harold F. Linder Professor at the School of Social Science in the Institute for Advanced Study. Her recent books have focused on the vexed relationship of gender to the universalizing force of democratic politics, including *The Fantasy of Feminist History* in 2011.



AFRICAN WOMEN'S RIGHTS & RESILIENCE

A symposium with Barnard Distinguished Fellow in Social Justice Leymah Gbowee

Wednesday, 03/12 10 AM–5PM
Event Oval, The Diana Center

In a series of three panel discussions, distinguished scholars and activists will address key issues for women's rights movements in Africa, including the role of men in women's social justice movements, the importance of intergenerational activism, and the stakes of transnational feminist engagements with the continent. Reception will follow. Co-sponsored by Africana Studies, Athena Center for Leadership Studies, Consortium for Critical Interdisciplinary Studies, and the Office of the President.



FOR THE PUBLIC GOOD CONFERENCE

Featuring Ana Amuchastegui, Lee Anne Bell, Elizabeth Bernstein, Sealing Cheng, Ta-Nehisi Coates (keynote speaker, below), Áine Duggan, Kerwin Kaye, Ellen Lagemann, Mario Pecheny, Svati P. Shah, and more.

Friday, 03/28 10 AM–5:30 PM,
Barnard Campus

While powerful social movements have developed around issues such as education and the environment, structural forces create ripples far beyond any one agency, nonprofit, or area of study. Crafting a society built on shared dreams and responsibilities that truly addresses injustice and incorporates diverse perspectives demands a wider lens. Participants in this day-long conference reflect on how to reshape our social infrastructure to support us all.



LUNCHTIME LECTURE GENDER, LABOR, HEALING Irish Immigrant Experiences in 19th Century NYC

A lecture by Meredith Linn

Wednesday, 04/02 12 PM
BCRW, 101 Barnard Hall

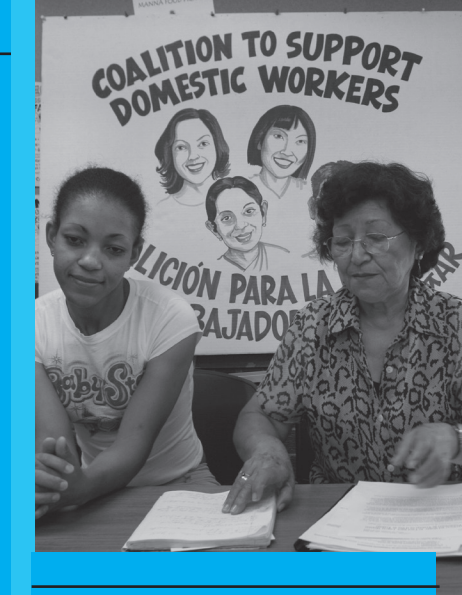
Meredith Linn, assistant professor of urban studies, shares her research into the different kinds of injuries (and sometimes permanent scars and disabilities) that male and female Irish immigrants suffered in New York as a result of the gendered division of labor and how they responded to these injuries.



NEW FEMINIST SOLUTIONS SOCIAL JUSTICE APPROACHES TO ENDING DOMESTIC VIOLENCE

Wednesday, 04/09 6:30 PM
Sulzberger Parlor,
3rd Floor Barnard Hall

This latest installment of the NFS series, created in collaboration with SAKHI for South Asian Women and other grassroots organizers, foregrounds stories from communities of color who are responding boldly to domestic violence within a social justice framework. The report demonstrates that movements can be built on the principles of transformation and justice, rather than law enforcement and criminalization.

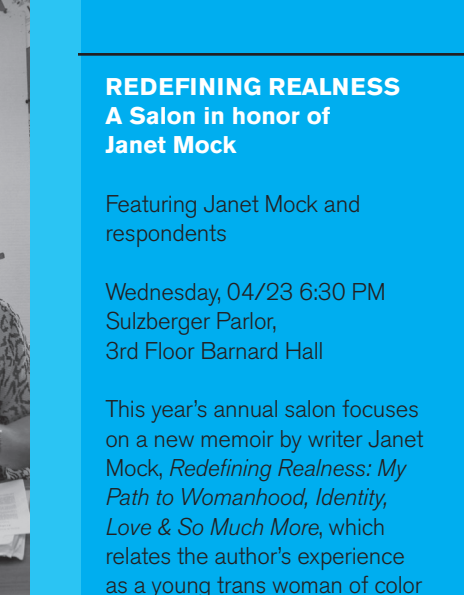


HISTORICAL PERSPECTIVES ON DOMESTIC WORKER ORGANIZING

A conversation with Elizabeth Hutchison and Premilla Nadasen

Wednesday, 04/16 6:30 PM
Sulzberger Parlor,
3rd Floor Barnard Hall

In the last century, domestic workers have mobilized to transform their working lives and have built a movement with a distinctive approach to labor organizing. This conversation analyzes the changing labor relations of domestic work in the U.S. and Chile, and links questions about domestic workers' employment, migration, family life, and political activity to broader class, political, and ethnic relations. Co-sponsored by the Barnard Forum on Migration.



REDEFINING REALNESS A Salon in honor of Janet Mock

Featuring Janet Mock and respondents

Wednesday, 04/23 6:30 PM
Sulzberger Parlor,
3rd Floor Barnard Hall

This year's annual salon focuses on a new memoir by writer Janet Mock, *Redefining Realness: My Path to Womanhood, Identity, Love & So Much More*, which relates the author's experience as a young trans woman of color working in mainstream media. Following a reading by the author, respondents will discuss the history of representations of women of color in the U.S., the importance of storytelling in social movements, trans women's activism, and more.



WOMEN & COMMUNITY IN THE ANCIEN RÉGIME Traditional and New Media

A conference

Wednesday, 06/18–Friday, 06/20
Barnard Campus

Featuring presentations based on traditional manuscript and print format, as well as work that employs new technologies, this three-day interdisciplinary conference investigates how women contributed to different kinds of community in medieval and early modern Europe. Sponsored by MARGOT, a long-term research project devoted to publishing fully searchable editions of texts from the French Middle Ages and the Early Modern period. *Registration required bcrw.barnard.edu*

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Everyday Practices of Prison Abolition
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Online at bcrw.barnard.edu

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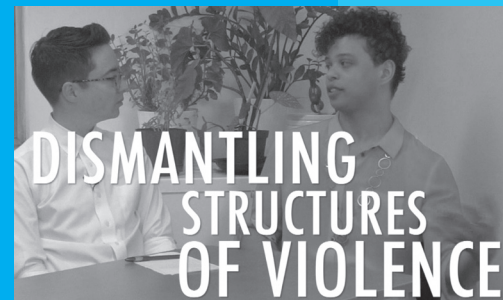
Featuring Reina Gossett and Dean Spade '97

Friday, 02/07 4 PM EST

In a series of short online videos produced by BCRW, activists Reina Gossett and Dean Spade discuss prison abolition as a political framework, exploring why this is a top issue for those committed to supporting trans and gender-nonconforming people. These videos look at how to build societies where the process of creating justice is as important as the end—communities where no one is exiled.

On February 7th, Reina and Dean will respond to questions and comments about prison abolition and its intersections with queer and trans movements via live video feed. We invite you to join us for this exciting experiment in creating online learning spaces that contribute to activist conversations. Information about how to participate is available at bcrw.barnard.edu.

Reina Gossett is an artist and activist who works as Membership Director of the Sylvia Rivera Law Project. Dean Spade is the founder of the SRLP and is currently a fellow in the Engaging Tradition Project at Columbia Law School.



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DIRECTOR'S NOTE

Twenty years ago, Inderpal Grewal and Caren Kaplan made a major contribution to transnational feminist movements with their anthology, *Scattered Hegemonies: Postmodernity and Transnational Feminist Practices*. In the past four years, BCRW has built our own transnational feminisms project under the leadership of Faculty Fellows Yvette Christiansè and Shayoni Mitra, and Associate Director Catherine Sameh. We have welcomed scholars and activists to campus from countries including South Africa, Chile, the Netherlands, Iran, Mexico, Norway, India, and the Dominican Republic, and have spearheaded transnational seminars in Mumbai and Cape Town. This spring, at the Scholar & Feminist conference, "Locations of Learning," rising scholars working on feminist approaches to globalization, diaspora, surveillance, critical ethnography, race, empire, neoliberalism, accessibility, militarization, religion, secularism, sexual politics, and social movements, will come together to explore the legacy of *Scattered Hegemonies* and the current questions that animate our interdisciplinary approach. We hope you will join us.

This semester we celebrate traditions of groundbreaking—in medium and message. We'll offer our first ever online event, "No One is Disposable," with Dean Spade and Reina Gossett in conversation with students and activists from around the world. Additional highlights of this spring's programming include: our annual salon, honoring writer Janet Mock's new memoir; our latest *New Feminist Solutions* report in collaboration with SAKHI for South Asian Women; scholars and activists in dialogue at the For the Public Good Conference; a lecture by luminary historian Joan Wallach Scott; and a co-sponsored symposium featuring Nobel Prize winner Leymah Gbowee. And of course, there's so much more—as always, please check our website, bcrw.barnard.edu, for the latest updates.

On a personal note, I mourn the loss of both my friend and colleague, the queerly brilliant José Esteban Muñoz and the world-wide inspiration, Nelson Mandela. Anti-apartheid work with the Washington Office on Africa in the 1980s was my introduction to the combination of intellectual and activist work that brought me to BCRW. Although Muñoz and Mandela did very different work for social justice, they both dreamed of worlds that seemed impossible.

Janet Jakobsen, Director

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