



President of Planned Parenthood, Cecile Richards, delivering the Ulysses and Marguerite Schwartz Memorial Lecture, "The Future of Reproductive Rights," at the Law School on Nov 29, 2016; co-sponsored by the CSGS.

A Note from the Director

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As we begin a new year, the work we do at the CSGS seems more important than ever. Through our research projects, we challenge orthodoxies and dominant ways of looking at the world; through our teaching, we develop skills of critical inquiry and thought; and through our outreach we promote positive change and encourage connection and action across our campus and in the wider world. We could not do any of this work without the support of our faculty, our students, our alumni and our friends.

On January 19th join us, the CSRPC, and other partners on campus as we mark the inauguration of the forty-fifth president of the United States in our own way, with **RE:action - a day of resistance and rebuilding** (#UChicagoReaction), an afternoon event at Ida Noyes Hall designed

to connect our community to organizers and activists across Chicago, and provide opportunities for getting involved in political and social action, followed by a movie screening, and an evening party at which we will celebrate our community, our power, and our voices.

The LGBTQ Studies Project and Artist's Salon, led by **Lauren Berlant** (English) will bring **E. Patrick Johnson** (Chair, African American Studies, Northwestern) to campus on January 12th for a lecture/performance on "The Beekeeper: Performing Black Southern Women Who Love Women," based on oral histories of black southern women who desire women. Johnson will discuss some of the methodological challenges of being a man conducting research on women and the topics that he found to be common among many of the women he interviewed, and will also perform excerpts from some of the oral histories. On February 9th, **Joshua Chambers-Letson** (Performance Studies,

WINTER EVENTS AT-A-GLANCE

Thu Jan 12

E. Patrick Johnson, The Beekeeper

Thu Jan 19

RE:action - A Day of Resistance and Rebuilding

Wed Feb 1

Gender & Sexuality Pedagogy Panel

Mon Feb 6

Exhibition Opening: Romi Crawford, Radical Relations!

Thu Feb 9

Joshua Chambers-Letson on Nina Simone

Fri Feb 10

Care@Chicago Day

Thu Feb 16

Kristel Clayville, Avoiding Burnout

Thu Feb 23

Art & Care Panel with Karen Reimer and Lauren Letinsky

Thu Mar 9

Sonita Screening

Mon Mar 13

Engendering Global Capitalism

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Northwestern) will speak on “Nina Simone and the Work of Minoritarian Performance,” Drawing on her performances between 1958 and 1971, he will theorize minoritarian performance as a revolutionary practice born from the dialectical tension between freedom and its negation. And on February 6th, artist **Romi Crawford** (Ph.D. ’10; School of the Art Institute of Chicago) will be present to open her exhibit “**Radical Relations! Memory, Objects and the Generation of the Political**” in the community room at the Center for the month of February, focused on black power and politics in Chicago from 1967-2017, a display images of black political organizers in everyday life, as well as the communicative and decorative material that has now become memorabilia, traces of a generation’s will to make change communal and real.

Romi Crawford’s exhibit will also be the official opening of a project that will run throughout the month of February called **Care@Chicago** (#CareAtChicago). This project is designed to examine and practice forms of self-care and to ask what constitutes repair and relief in states and times of trauma. On February 10th, College winter break, the Center will provide a full day of self- and community-care activities for students and staff that include a discussion with mental health professionals, yoga, treats, and crafts, including a session on making “valentines to the future.” Other events include a talk on February 16th by **Kristel Clayville** (Ph.D candidate, Divinity) on **Avoiding Burnout: Self-Knowledge and Care for Dark Times** and a panel on February 23rd on **Art & Care as Resistance & Love**, with **Lauren Berlant** (English), **Laura Letinsky** (Visual Arts), **Karen Reimer** (MFA ’89; School of the Art Institute of Chicago), and others. The Center will also offer a free, come-as-you-are, all-levels yoga class with instructor **Anna Schabold** on Fridays in February (3, 10, 17, and 24) from 11am-12pm. See the feature on page 3 for full details on all events.

In January, the Center is also collaborating with Resources for Sexual Violence Prevention, The Pozen Family Center for Human Rights and the Voices and Faces Project on **The Stories We Tell**, a writing workshop for survivors of sexual and domestic violence. Registration is closed but if you are interested to know more about this workshop, please contact Gina Olson at golson@uchicago.edu.

Graduate student fellows at the Center have organized **Gender, Sexuality, & Pedagogy: A Roundtable** on February 1st. Please join us for this interactive panel which will explore strategies for and challenges related to teaching gender and sexuality across disciplines. Guest speakers include Demetra Kasimis (Political Science), Deborah Nelson (English), Lucy Pick (Divinity), and Sonali Thakkar (English). And on March 2nd, we will celebrate our faculty and their recent publications with a book party.

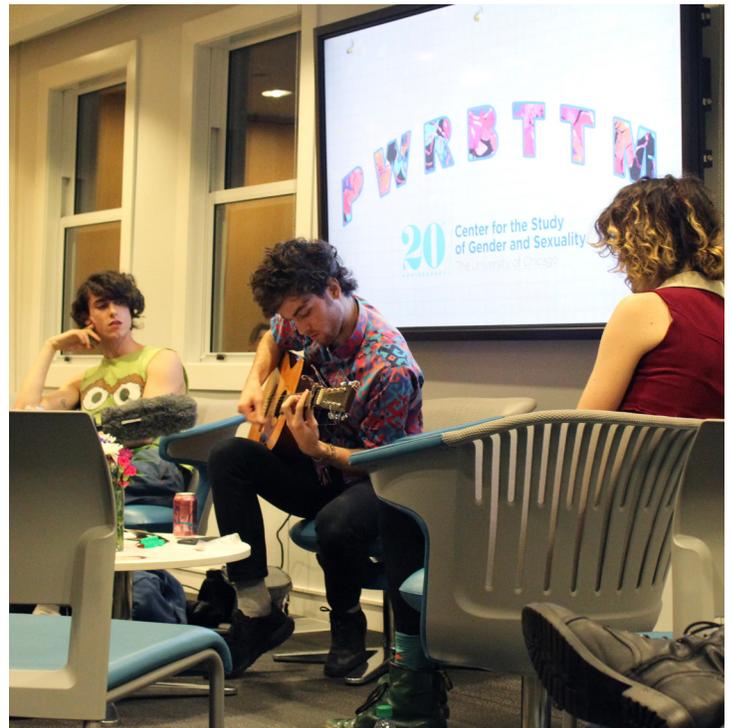
On March 9th, the Center has collaborated with the Film Studies Center on a screening of **Sonita**, a film about a teenage Afghan rapper and refugee living in Tehran, using her art to address forced marriage practices. Scholar **Su’ad Abdul Khabeer** (Anthropology, Purdue) will introduce the film. The Center is also co-sponsoring the Doc Film series, **Film and AIDS: Early Queer Responses to**

the AIDS Epidemic on Mondays this quarter. Drawing from a range of directors, the series surveys a diversity of aesthetic reactions to the AIDS epidemic, from queer revolt to Hollywood recuperation. Films include Gregg Araki’s *The Living End*, Derek Jarman’s *Blue*, and Jonathan Demme’s *Philadelphia*.

On March 13th, **Kimberley Hoang** (Sociology) and **Adom Getachew** (Political Science) will host a panel on **Engendering Global Capitalism** at the Center. The panel will examine how gender and global capitalism co-constitute different kinds of inequalities, focusing on different regions (Americas, Asia, and Africa) and issues of finance, labor, debt and the gendered relations they produce, destabilize and reconstitute.

Forrest Stewart (Sociology) will lead the Gender and Sexuality Studies Workshop in Winter quarter, under the theme “Sex and Gender and the City.” The workshop meets in the first floor seminar room on alternate Tuesdays beginning in second week, from 4:30 to 6pm, and all are welcome. See page 4 of this newsletter for details.

Looking forward to Spring quarter, CSGS will be co-sponsoring a number of conferences of interest to our community. **Jennifer Cole** (Comparative Human Development), **Susan Gal** (Anthropology), and **Kelsey Robbins** (Ph.D. candidate, Comparative Human Development) are organizing a conference on **Mobilizing Gender: Secularism, Nation and (re)Making Europe** on March 31st. **Daisy Delogu** and **Alison James** (both of Romance Languages and Literatures) have scheduled **Querelles des femmes, or, the Long History of Feminism** for April 21 and 22, and on May 8-9, **Lucy Pick** (Divinity) and **Jonathan Lyon** (History) will host **Gender and Power in the Middle Ages**.



Queer punk band PWR BTTM performing during their Oct 26, 2016 workshop, moderated by fourth-year physics student, Addie Barron.

College News

The Gender and Sexuality Studies Program

The Center for Gender and Sexuality Studies offers a major, with a choice between a generalist path and discipline-based path. Many of our majors, usually those who choose the discipline-based path, also pursue and complete one or even two other majors. We also offer a minor, which makes the most sense for students whose majors have little overlap with our courses. Descriptions of major and minor requirements can be found at <http://gendersexuality.uchicago.edu/academic/>. If you have questions about the major or minor and want to talk about how they might fit in with your general academic goals, call or email student affairs administrator Sarah Tuohey (773-702-2365; stuohey@uchicago.edu) to talk or set up a meeting.

Spring Courses

This Spring Quarter, four Gender and Sexuality Studies courses will be offered, taught by advanced graduate students in History, Political Science, and Sociology. "Gender and Sexuality" will be taught by **Elizabeth Fretwell** of History, "Gender, Work, and Family" by **Jaclyn Wong** of Sociology, "Gendered Bodies in the Material World" by **Sarah Weicksel** of History, and "Feminist/Queer Narratives and Theories" by **Omie Hsu** of Political Science.

Undergraduate Summer Internships for 2017

Once again, CSGS will be able to offer funding for up to four internships at gender- and LGBTQ-related service, educational, or activist organizations in the US. The deadline to apply for funding is Friday, February 24, 2017. Please contact Sarah Tuohey at stuohey@uchicago.edu or 773-702-2365 for more information and to get the application form and guidelines.

Essay Competition in Women's Studies, Feminist Criticism, Gender Studies

The Ruth Murray Essay Prize is awarded for the best essay written by a University of Chicago **undergraduate student** in the area of women's studies, feminist criticism or gender studies. Essays may come from students in all majors and may take the form of analytic or critical essays, empirical research papers, or personal essays.

The deadline to apply is **Monday, April 17, 2017, at 12:00 pm**. More information and application guidelines can be found at: http://gendersexuality.uchicago.edu/fellowships/essay_prize.shtml

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Care@Chicago

Care@Chicago, a series organized by the Center for the Study of Gender and Sexuality (CSGS) and co-sponsored by the Center for the Study of Race, Politics, and Culture (CSRPC), will run throughout the month of February 2017.

The University of Chicago is associated more with rigor, ambition and social division than care and caring: care is traditionally associated with women and emotions, often delegated to the economically hyper-exploited, and not often considered central to the life of ideas. But however unevenly distributed, vulnerability, stress, and compensations for them are everywhere in our immediate as well as larger cultural environment.

Care@Chicago will investigate structural stressors and reparative acts and practices for individuals and communities in the contemporary world.

A full calendar of Care@Chicago events is below. All events will be held at the CSGS (5733 S University Ave) and are free and open to the public.

Visit the series page at gendersexuality.uchicago.edu/projects/care for more information.

Fri Feb 3 11:00am Come-as-you-are, all-levels Forrest
Yoga with Anna Schabold

Mon Feb 6 4:30pm Opening: Romi Crawford, "Radical Relations! Memory, Objects and the Generation of the Political"

Thu Feb 9 4:30pm Joshua Chambers-Letson, "Nina Simone and the Work of Minoritarian Performance"

Fri Feb 10 All-Day Care Day: a full day of self- and community-care activities for students and staff that include a discussion with mental health professionals, yoga, treats, and crafts, including a session on making "valentines to the future"

Thu Feb 16 4:30pm Kristel Clayville, "Avoiding Burnout: Self-Knowledge and Care for Dark Times"

Fri Feb 17 11:00am Come-as-you-are, all-levels Forrest
Yoga with Anna Schabold

Thu Feb 23 4:30pm "Art & Care as Resistance & Love," a panel with Lauren Ash, Lauren Berlant, Laura Letinsky, and Karen Reimer

Fri Feb 24 11:00am Come-as-you-are, all-levels Forrest
Yoga with Anna Schabold

#CareAtChicago

Gender Studies Workshop & Working Group

On alternating **Tuesdays from 4:30-6:00pm**, the **Gender and Sexuality Studies Workshop** and the **Gender and Sexuality Studies Working Group** meet in the seminar room at the Center. The Workshop features a quarterly theme curated by a faculty member and papers are pre-circulated. The Working Group is a forum for graduate students to workshop research and writing at any point in the progress of their work, as well as to request help on specific aspects of their projects.

Winter 2017 Gender and Sexuality Studies Workshop

We are excited to announce the Winter Quarter schedule for the Gender and Sexuality Studies Workshop. This quarter's theme is "**Sex and Gender and the City**," and will be curated by **Forrest Stuart**, Assistant Professor of Sociology, with outside guest **Anthony Ocampo**, Assistant Professor of Sociology at Cal Poly Pomona. Papers and presentations will address topics related to the ways in which sex and gender unfold in the urban context.

January 10: Forrest Stuart, Assistant Professor of Sociology, University of Chicago, "Criminalized Masculinities: How Policing Shapes the Construction of Gender and Sexuality in Poor Black Communities"

January 24: Lindsey Conklin, PhD Candidate in Comparative Human Development, University of Chicago, "Neoliberal Amman: Mapping the Middle Class as Reputational Community"

February 7: Jeffrey Parker, PhD Candidate in Sociology, University of Chicago, "Exile in Guyville, or The Stroller and the Damage Done: Women in Public, Gentrification, and the Politics of Blame"

February 21: Anthony Ocampo, Assistant Professor of Sociology, Cal Poly Pomona, "Brown and Gay in LA: Race, Masculinity, and Sexuality in the Immigrant City"

March 7: Christopher Kindell, PhD Candidate in History, University of Chicago, "'Brothel of the Pacific': Laikini Wahine, Syphilis, and the Urban Regulation of Sex in Honolulu"

Papers are made available in advance via our email list. To join, go to <http://lists.uchicago.edu/web/subscribe/sexuality-gender-wkshp> or contact the workshop coordinators, Annie Heffernan (Political Science) and Danya Lagos (Sociology) at gssworkshop@gmail.com. Additional workshop information, including past schedules, can be found at <http://voices.uchicago.edu/genderandsexuality/>.

If you have any questions or accommodation requests, please don't hesitate to contact the workshop coordinators at gssworkshop@gmail.com.

Gender and Sexuality Studies Working Group

The Gender and Sexuality Studies Working Group welcomes students and papers from any field, discipline, or methodological tradition, as long as the research is relevant to gender and sexuality studies, broadly defined. Submitted work may be partial or rough, including rough drafts of papers or dissertation chapters, work nearing completion, survey designs, literature reviews, or methodological sections. Meeting time consists largely of discussion of the submitted research or work following brief comments from the presenter. *We ask that only students, graduate or undergraduate, attend.*

January 17: Michael Dango, Department of English Literature and Language, "Behaviorism in the Affective Regime"

January 31: Jean-Thomas Tremblay, Department of English Literature and Language, "Conscious Breathing: Forms of Self-Encounter in Experimental Life Writing"

February 14: Katya Motyl, Department of History, "To Love with Every Fiber of Her Being: Free Loving Romanics"

February 28: Sameena Azhar, School of Social Service Administration, "HIV Stigma and Gender: A Study of Cisgender and Transgender Women Living with HIV in Hyderabad, India"

Papers are circulated in advance via e-mail.

If you have any questions, would like to be added to the Working Group e-mail list, or are a person with a disability who may need assistance, please contact the Working Group coordinators, Omie Hsu and Katie Hendricks at gssworkinggroup@gmail.com.

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