



Women's Studies

March 1993 Women's History Month

The Tuesday Evening forum for Women's Studies 205, Perspectives on Women and Culture, continues in March. Note: all forums begin at 7:30 p.m. and will be held in Washington 201. The schedule is as follows:

March 16

Discussion led by Kathleen Radford, AVALON:

"Rape and Violence Against Women in the Williamsburg Community"

March 23

Workshop led by Valli Kanuha, Deputy Director for Programs, Hunter College Center on AIDS, Drugs and Community Health, New York:

"Homophobia and Heterosexism"

March 30

Lecture by Eliza Nichols, Assistant Professor of Modern Languages:
"Mariana Ba: Writing Women's Experiences"

BROWN BAG CONTINUES!

Renee Pennington, Assistant Professor of Anthropology, will give the next Brown Bag Lunch talk on Wednesday, March 17, at noon in Campus Center Room E. Her talk is entitled, "A Place to Rest Her Elbow: Marriage, Wealth, and Reproduction Among Herero Women of Botswana."

WOMEN OF COLOR IN HIGHER EDUCATION

The Women's Studies Program and the Office of Multicultural Affairs are co-sponsoring a live via satellite videoconference entitled, "Women of Color in Higher Education: Too Invisible, Too Silent, for Too Long." Topics will include equity issues, women in leadership positions, the academic, social, and professional environment for women, student experiences, and more. The conference will be held on March 31, 1993 in the Dodge Room of Phi Beta Kappa Hall from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m.

POETRY READING FOR WOMEN'S HISTORY MONTH

In celebration of Women's History Month, the Women's Studies Program and the Women's Issues Group are

sponsoring a poetry reading on Thursday, March 18, at 6:30 p.m. in Tazewell. The poets, Ava Leavell Haymon and Janet Wondra, are both from Louisiana and have travelled and published throughout the country. Leavell Haymon also writes plays and works in the Artists in the Schools Project in Baton Rouge. Her poems are published in Northwest Review, Hudson Review, Shenandoah, Georgia Review, and other journals. Wondra has published poems in the Southern Review, Witness, Ergo!, Michigan Quarterly Review, among others.

WIDOWS IN COLONIAL WILLIAMSBURG

Colonial Williamsburg is sponsoring weekly tours in March, Women's History Month, on the topic of "Widows in Williamsburg." The tours begin at 2 p.m. each Saturday in March, and will start at the Hennage Auditorium of the DeWitt Wallace Decorative Arts Gallery on Francis Street. The tours will examine the lives of several prominent 18th century widows and the uncommon privileges they enjoyed. Special Wednesday presentations, also on the topic of widowhood, begin at 4 p.m. and will also be held at Hennage Auditorium. Call 220-7287 for more information.

Conferences...

Narrative

The Society for the Study of Narrative Literature, in conjunction with several colleges in the New York area, is sponsoring a conference on the topic of Narrative, April 1-4, 1993 in Albany, New York. Major speakers include Houston Baker, Jr., Carolyn Merchant, and Thomas Laqueur. Contact Alan Nadel, Conference Coordinator, Dept. of Language, Literature, and Communication, Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, Troy, NY 12180.

Calls for papers...

Scholarship in Progress

The Friends of Women's Studies at Old Dominion University is sponsoring its 4th annual conference on feminist scholarship on Saturday, May 22. This conference is an opportunity for feminist scholars to come together to

share and discuss their current research. Prospective participants should submit a one-page proposal by March 22, 1993. Everyone who submits a proposal will be placed on the program. For more information, call Barbara Winstead at 804-683-4238 or write to her at the Department of Psychology, Mills Godwin Building, ODU, Norfolk, VA 23529.

ATTENTION STUDENTS!!

Dean's Prizes

The final deadline to submit papers to be considered for the Dean's Prize for Student Scholarship on Women is 5 p.m., April 15. Students may submit term papers or other class assignments, independent study projects, Honors or thesis research. For more information, call 221-2457.

Student Conference--CALL FOR PAPERS

The Women's Studies program is seeking paper submissions, including poetry and fiction, for the first annual Women's Studies Student Conference, to be held April 10, 1993. Presentations should be 20 minutes or less in length (about 8 pages). Send a one paged, typed summary to Women's Studies. The deadline for submissions is March 19.

Seminar on Success

The Women's Studies program is hosting a seminar-luncheon with Carol Woody '71 on Friday, March 19. She will give a talk entitled, "What I Had to Unlearn to be Successful: One Woman's Perspective." The seminar will be in the Campus Center, call Debbie Ventis at 1-2457 for the exact location. A buffet lunch will be served starting at 12:30 p.m.; the seminar begins at 1 p.m. All students are welcome.

Lesbian Studies Summer Course

Vicki Kirsch is offering a course entitled "Lesbian Writing/ Writing Lesbian Culture" during the first session of summer school. The course will look at lesbian history, culture, and theory in North America in the twentieth century. Issues to be discussed include lesbian identity, separatism and assimilation, queer theory, anti-semitism, and racism, among others.

Study Abroad in Southern Africa

The Center for Global Education announces a new study abroad program in Southern Africa entitled "Women and Development: A Southern Africa Perspective." The program, scheduled for February 2-May 13, 1994, is an intensive semester of study and travel designed to introduce undergraduate students to central issues facing Southern Africa, with emphasis on the experiences of women. For more information contact the Center for Global Education, Augsburg College, 731 21st Avenue South, Minneapolis, MN 55454 or call 612-330-1159.

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