



WOMEN'S & GENDER STUDIES DEPARTMENT

"GENDER, RACE, & JUSTICE"

LECTURE SERIES

Feminism. Activism. Social Justice.

WGS 201/AMCS 201

Fridays 9:30 - 10:30AM. Stevenson 1102



August 30. Stephanie Manieri
Exec. Director, Latino Service Providers
 Stephanie breaks down information barriers & improves access to programs for the benefit of the Latino/a/e/x community in Sonoma County and has been a trustee for the Santa Rosa City Schools Board of Education since 2018.



September 13. Emma Kallok
Writer/Marketing & Communications, Sonoma County Library
 Emma, an SSU alumna, was named one of *North Bay Bohemian's* People of the Year in 2024. As a Sonoma County librarian, she works to create spaces of belonging for BIPOC and LGBTQIA+ communities e both within libraries and in literature.



September 27. Katie Quan
Activist/educator
 Katie is a 3rd generation Chinese American activist and educator based in San Francisco. She is the founder of REALSOUL, a curriculum-based arts organization that strives to make intersectional Asian American and Pacific Islander curriculum.



October 11. Dr. Julietta Hua
Professor of Gender, Sexuality & Women's Studies, UC-Davis
 Julietta Hua, Ph.D. in Ethnic Studies, is author of *Trafficking Women's Rights* (2011), which examines U.S. anti-trafficking laws and policies. Dr. Hua, in conjunction with Dr. Kasturi Ray, is researching political organizing around intimate labors.



October 25. Kimi Barbosa
Executive Director, Positive Images
 Kimi serves as the Executive Director of Positive Images, an LGBTQIA+ community center in the SF North Bay . She is committed to cultivating transformative, non-extractive, and equitable workplaces that serve LGBTQIA+ and BIPOC folks.



November 8. Juliana Jimenez
The Botanical Bus
 Juliana works with The Botanical Bus as a Promotora de Salud. Botanical Bus is a bilingual mobile herb clinic that empowers holistic health by and for Latine and Indigenous people. Juliana's interest in medicinal plants originates with her grandfather, with whom she lived for 21 years in Oaxaca, Mexico.



November 15. Monica Chan
Program Director, Seeding Change
10:00-11:30*
 Monica was raised in Sacramento and is passionate about climate justice, anti-capitalism, and Indigenous decolonization. Seeding Change aims to grow a national Asian American Movement that promotes a just, sustainable, and democratic society.



November 22. Dr. Robyn Magalit Rodriguez. Scholar/ Community Organizer ** 10:00-11:30 **
 Dr. Rodriguez left a successful career in Filipinx American Studies at UC-Davis to pursue creative educational forms outside academia. She runs "Remagination Farm"-a healing space informed by social justice movements, indigenous and land-based knowledges, and art.



December 6. Ramona Lisa Ortiz-Smith
Buddhist Meditation Teacher
 Ramona Lisa Ortiz-Smith is a Buddhist teacher and consultant. She holds an MBA and has 25+ years of cumulative meditation and Dharma practice in the Theravada tradition. She teaches as Oakland's East Bay Meditation Center, Berkeley's Assaya Sangha, and Spirit Rock Meditation Center.

All lectures are FREE and OPEN to the public.

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