

SONOMA STATE UNIVERSITY

Feminist Lecture Series Fall 2022



September 14: Dr. Erika Tom – "Anti-Anthropocentrism is Feminism"

Dr. Erica Tom (she/her/they/them) is an educator, filmmaker, and therapeutic horsemanship facilitator. They are a third generation Asian American living on and spending time with Southern Pomo land. Her ancestors are refugees, immigrants, and colonizers; and she brings this mixed background to her interdisciplinary and trauma-informed approach to research and teaching. She is a Professor of English/Ethnic Literature at Santa Rosa Junior College. Dr. Tom previously taught at Sonoma State University (2017-2020) and served as the Director of Native American Studies (2020-2022). They earned their Ph.D. in American Studies from Rutgers University-Newark in 2017.



September 21: Blair Hopkins – SWOP Behind Bars

Blair Hopkins is a New Orleans based photojournalist and lifelong adult industry professional. As the Deputy Director of SWOP Behind Bars, she hosts and produces the podcast, All In A Day's (Sex) Work, and published a book of the same name.



October 5: Alex Brown – Punk-Ass Book Jockey

Alexandria Brown is a queer Black librarian, local historian, writer, and author of two books on the history Napa County, California's marginalized communities. They have a BA with honors in Anthropology and Sociology, a Master's of Library and Information Science, and a Master's in US History. They are an Ignite award winning and Hugo award nominated writer and critic who covers speculative fiction and young adult literature for Tor.com, Locus Magazine, NPR Books, and elsewhere. They also write on topics such as queerness, Black history, librarianship, and pop culture.



October 19: Dr. Jocelyn Lehrer – *The Men's Story Project*

Jocelyn Lehrer, ScD is Founder/Director of the Men's Story Project and affiliated Senior Research Associate at the University of California-San Francisco Bixby Center for Global Reproductive Health and Lee Institute for Health Policy Studies. Her research on masculinities, sexual assault, dating violence, sexual health, and mental health has been published in leading journals including Men & Masculinities, Pediatrics, Archives of Sexual Behavior and Journal of Adolescent Health. Her applied work includes serving as a consultant with MTV/VH1, UN Women, and the Stanford University Global Center for Gender Equality; serving as Senior Gender Advisor at the USAID Office of HIV/AIDS, leading program evaluation projects with HIV/GBV organizations in East Africa, and facilitating social support groups for women and LGBTQ+ youth who are living with HIV/AIDS. Jocelyn has been certified as a rape crisis counselor and given many trainings sponsored by groups such as the U.S. Dept. of Justice Office of Violence Against Women. Her awards include the UCSF Chancellor's Award for Public Service, and her work has been highlighted on CNN, ABC, Fox, and other media. Jocelyn holds a doctoral degree from the Harvard School of Public Health (2004) and completed a postdoctoral fellowship at the UCSF Center for AIDS Prevention Studies. She is Chilean-American and a native Spanish speaker.



October 26: Karen Gutfreund – "Art as Slow Change"

Karen M. Gutfreund is an independent curator, consultant and artist with a focus on feminist and social justice art. She has worked in the Painting & Sculpture Department at MoMA, Andre Emmerick Gallery, The Knoll Group, John Berggruen Gallery and the Pacific Art League. She served on the board of the Women's Caucus for Art (WCA), the Pacific Art League and the Petaluma Arts Council. She was the Exhibitions Director for WCA, curator for UniteWomen.org, is a member of ArtTable, and a representative for The Feminist Art Project (TFAP). She is a partner in Gutfreund Cornett Art, with the motto "changing the world through art". To date she has created over forty national exhibitions. Lastly, Gutfreund is a practicing artist and has exhibited extensively around the country. She has a BFA in Photographic Design and a BA in Art History, and studies towards an MA at New York University. Gutfreund splits her time between Windsor, CA and her ranch in Raymond, CA.



Nov 9: Shelly Gomez and Tremaine Austin-Dillon – The Hub Cutural Centre

Shelly (she/her/hers) is a first generation college graduate and holds a BA in Women and Gender studies and a Master's in Education from Sonoma State University. In addition to her primary job functions, Shelly is the co-founder of Latino Alliance of Rohnert Park and Cotati and was recognized in the North Bay Business Journal for her dedication to the local Latinx business owners and community members in October 2020.

Tramaine Austin-Dillon (he/him/his) is a Manager in the Office of the President: Diversity, Equity & Inclusion at Sonoma State University. Tramaine is a dedicated and experienced higher education professional with 10 years of hands-on work in promoting equity, diversity, and inclusion in student affairs and academic affairs. He is passionately dedicated to working with students from underrepresented backgrounds, promoting their personal, social, and academic success in and out of the classroom. Tramaine is a first-generation student who earned his Bachelor of Arts degree at Washington State University in Communications, with a minor in Comparative Ethnic Studies, and a Master of Arts in Student Affairs Administration from Michigan State University.

November 16: Susy Chavez – *California Latinas for Reproductive Justice*

"At CLRJ we recognize that Latinas/xs' reproductive health and rights cannot be viewed in isolation. So we do our work using the reproductive justice framework that emphasizes the intersection with other social, economic and community-based issues that promote the social justice and human rights of Latina/x women and girls and the Latinx community as a whole. In other words, we recognize that Latinas/xs' access to culturally and linguistically appropriate health care, a living wage job, quality education, freedom from discrimination and violence, among many other issues that affect Latinas/xs' daily lives, have a profound effect on Latinas' reproductive and sexual health, as well as our right to self-determination in all aspects of our lives."



Nov 30: Shauna Farabaugh and Ligia Andrade Zuniga – "The Right to Sexual Expression: Disability Justice and Sexuality"

Shauna is a certified Somatic Sex Educator based in San Francisco, CA. Shauna has been a professional sex educator for over a decade, with certifications from San Francisco Sex Information, The Institute for the Advanced Study of Human Sexuality, and the Somatic Sex Educators Association.

Ligia holds a Bachelor's Degree in Human Services with an emphasis in Administration and Counseling, and a Masters Degree in Public Administration from Notre Dame de Namur University in Belmont, California. She became interested in sexuality and disability after acquiring a spinal cord injury in 2009 following an automobile accident and discovered there was very limited information, accessibility, and support available regarding sexuality for women living with spinal cord injury, specifically for young women of color, and women in the Latino Spanish-speaking community. Ligia is a Director and Sexuality and Disability Educator for Sexability, an organization providing sexuality education to individuals with disabilities.