

# CENTER FOR WOMEN'S STUDIES

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### *A Letter from the Director and Program Assistant:*

What we do in WMST is some of the most important work on campus. It also is some of the most difficult work. At the end of the day it is the WMST Family – the amazing faculty, staff, and students – who make all of what we do in WMST worthwhile and sustainable.

A Tuesday Brown Bag is never a waste of time. Our speakers remind us that we are not alone in the struggle. We are grateful to our dynamic and powerful speakers, panelists, and facilitators this year who spoke truth to power. Speakers not listed on our Brown Bag poster included Adelina Anthony, Laura Dunn, and Manoucheka Celeste.

Our staff keep the Center and the Program strong. Their labor is oftentimes invisible, but this team can move mountains. WMST faculty inspire so much pride. WMST faculty are teacher-scholar-activists and truly amazing human beings. Discussions in WMST courses plant seeds, transform lives. It is no wonder our program is growing in leaps and bounds.

Our mission and labor is impossible without the support of our campus partners. We are especially grateful to the continued partnerships and collaboration with LGBTQ Initiatives, Haven, and the ALANA Cultural Center. This was a record-breaking year for Alumni support. Alumni investment and involvement demonstrates the significance of the program and Center and helps to ensure our future.

Finally, what would we do without our phenomenal students, whose questions, ideas, and projects always challenge and inspire? They are the life of the Center, the classroom, and the campus. They make Colgate a better place, and make WMST what it is.

With sincere gratitude and love,

Meika & Allie

Art by Angel Trazo '17





Interns host Genitalia Jeopardy



Steven Universe Brown Bag



The WMST Intern Team



Dr. Alexis Pauline Gumbs imparts spiritual wisdom on the crowd

### Center for Women's Studies Brown Bag Series Spring 2017 Tuesdays @ 11:30am

- Jan. 24 **Evidence: A Black Feminist Archive of the Impossible** | *Dr. Alexis Pauline Gumbs*
- Jan. 31 **Why I Still Work on White Women: Sabbatical Reflections in a Mean Time** | *Prof. Sarah Wider*
- Feb. 7 **Beyond The Vagina Monologues: Towards an Inclusive, Intersectional Feminist Campus Storytelling Tradition** | *Sharon Nicol '17, Ashleandra Opoku '17, Nitika Sachdev '17*
- Feb. 14 **Careers & Communities Beyond Women's Studies** | *Liza Paudel '15, Rachel Greenburg '10, Evan Chartier '14, Dena Robinson '12*
- Feb. 21 **Confessions of a Recovering Academic** | *Béalleka*
- Feb. 28 **The Black Student Union Presents: "Fat Femme" Yogi & Activist Jessamyn Stanley\*** | *Jessamyn Stanley*
- Mar. 7 **Art as Resistance\*** | *Yunnie Tsao-Snyder & Trinidad Escobar*
- Mar. 9 **(De)Colonizing Developments: Re/imagining & Re/imagining Gender & International Development Discourses** | *EDUC 303*
- Mar. 21 **Sisterhood: Feminism, Sororities, and Disaffiliation** | *Larissa Grijalva '17, Sally Langan '17, Maya Srivastava '17, Renee Xu '17*
- Mar. 28 **Re-Considering the Alter(ed)native: My Post Zora Interventions** | *Prof. Gina Athena Ulysse*
- Apr. 4 **Resisting Gentrification Through Art, Culture, & Activism** | *Betty Yu*
- Apr. 11 **Queerness and Cartoons: What We Can Learn from Steven Universe** | *Queerfest Panel*
- Apr. 18 **Queering Sexual Violence & The Politics of Healing** | *Jennifer Patterson*
- Apr. 25 **WMST Senior Capstone Projects Part I** | *WMST 490*
- May 2 **WMST Senior Capstone Projects Part II** | *WMST 490*

"I believe in radical revolution. If change isn't happening and you've done everything you can to make change within that structure, then the structure is at fault."  
-Béalleka

"Your luxury is our displacement."  
-Betty Yu

"To reference Bayard Rustin, we need a group of angelic troublemakers in every community."  
-Dr. Alexis Pauline Gumbs

"Self reflection is key."  
-Jessamyn Stanley



Art by Bennie Guzman '17

## Intern Team

- Cate Barber '19 | Women's Studies Center Monitor
- Rachel Drucker '17 | Sexual and Gender-Based Violence Awareness
- Federico Elizondo '17 | Information and Technology Resources
- Sharon Nicol '17 | Community Action and Alumni Affairs
- Ashleandra Opoku '17 | LGBTQ & Multicultural Affairs
- Hannah Shaheen O'Malley '17 | Publications
- Nitika Sachdev '17 | Women's Health

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