



# Women and Gender Studies 4th Annual Conference April 20-21, 2017

Politics of Gender & Justice:  
The Intersection of Identity & Disciplines

## Merten Hall

April 20th from 1p.m. - 5 p.m.

(followed by a Happy Hour & Fundraiser at Green Turtle)

April 21st from 9a.m. - 5 p.m.

This two day conference brings together scholars (including undergraduate and graduate students), policy makers, artists, and activists from the region to wrestle with ideas and strategies to move forward toward a just world in theory and practice.

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Women and Gender Studies

# KEYNOTE SPEAKERS

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**Dr. Rita Chi-Ying Chung**

**"Navigating Politics and Breaking Race/Gender Stereotypes:  
Asian Woman Speaking Out"**

**Thursday, April 20, 2017**

**3:00PM 1201 Merten Hall**

Dr. Rita Chi-Ying Chung is a Professor in the Counseling & Development Program in the College of Education and Human Development. Her research focuses on cross-cultural psychology, social justice and human rights, and the psychological impact of racism and sexism on immigrants and refugees. Dr. Chung has provided consultation, training, and been an invited and keynote speaker throughout the United States, as well as, in Asia, the Pacific Rim region, Africa, the United Kingdom, Europe, the Caribbean, and South America. Given her research on trafficking of Asian girls she was invited to present at the United Nations on cultural issues in child trafficking. Dr. Chung has been a consultant to the World Bank and major Non-Governmental International Organizations as well as an expert witness on the impact of culture on sexual assault and rape for the U.S. Armed Forces. She has received numerous awards including the Commonwealth of Virginia State Council of Higher Education (SCHEV) Outstanding Faculty Award in 2013, the American Counseling Association Kitty Cole Human Rights Award, the American Counseling Association Gilbert and Kathleen Wrenn Humanitarian and Caring Person Award, and the Commonwealth of Virginia General Assembly Commendation Award for her social justice and human rights work. She is an American Psychological Association Fellow, an American Counseling Association Fellow, Association for Specialists in Group Work Fellow and the Past-President of Counselors for Social Justice, a national organization that is a division of the American Counseling Association.



**Dr. Adia Harvey Wingfield**

**"No more invisible Man: Professional Black Men's Gendered  
Interactions in White Male Dominated Workplaces"**

**Friday, April 21, 2017**

**9:00AM 1201 Merten Hall**

Adia Harvey Wingfield is Professor of Sociology at Washington University in St. Louis. She specializes in research that examines how everyday workplace dynamics can maintain racial and gender inequality. Dr. Wingfield has lectured internationally on her research in this area, and her work has been published in numerous peer-reviewed journals including Social Problems, Gender & Society, and American Behavioral Scientist. She is also a contributing writer for The Atlantic, active in the Southern Sociological Society (SSS) and American Sociological Association (ASA), and President-Elect of Sociologists for Women in Society (SWS). Professor Wingfield is the author of several books, most recently No More Invisible Man: Race and Gender in Men's Work (Temple University Press), and has won multiple awards from sections of the American Sociological Association.



A portrait of Diane Hattery, an elderly woman with short, curly grey hair and glasses, smiling and looking upwards. She is wearing a light-colored top and a necklace. The background of the portrait is a soft-focus green, suggesting an outdoor setting. The portrait is set against a larger background of a textured, light brown burlap fabric.

# Diane Hattery

February 16, 1939-  
March 2, 2017

## Jewelry Silent Action

1201 Merten Hall

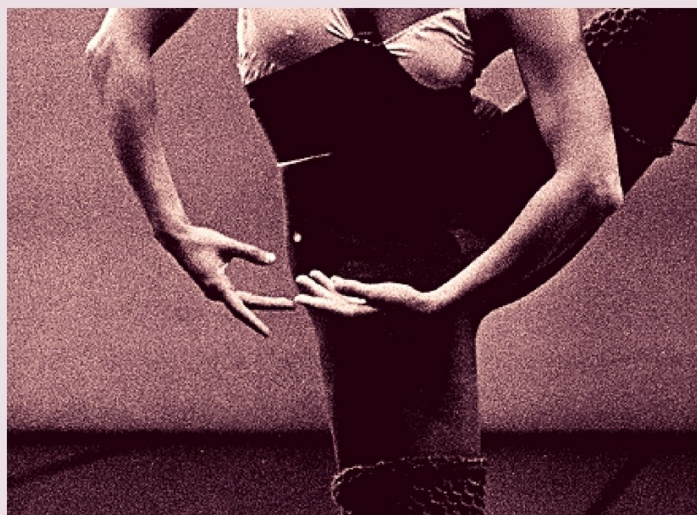
### Women & Gender Studies Annual Conference

Silent auction will benefit Emerge, Center Against Domestic Abuse in honor of Diane Hattery, an issue and organization she cared deeply about and supported many years.

Diane is the beloved mother of our Women and Gender Studies Director, Angie Hattery. Diane Hattery (Sittler) was born on February 16, 1939 in rural, northern Indiana to Bob and Pauline (Parker) Sittler. She was the valedictorian of her graduating class at Beaver Dam high school and went on to graduate with honors, majoring in both Spanish and English, from Indiana University. She married her high school sweetheart Bob Hattery on June 18, 1961. She taught high school Spanish for many years and even after she retired she volunteered as a tutor with low-income and marginalized students. She loved teaching. In the mid-1970s she began volunteering with Mother Teresa's Missionaries of Charity and served in several capacities including as the treasurer for many years.

She volunteered with the Missionaries of Charity in the US and around the world, including in Calcutta, India and Haiti. She had a passion for improving the lives of those who were given fewer opportunities than she. Diane Hattery died peacefully in her home, on March 2, 2017, surrounded by family and friends who loved her, in the care of the amazing hospice nurses from Casa de La Luz and the nursing staff at La Rosa Assisted Living. She is survived by her husband of nearly 56 years, her two children Angela and Mike, four grandchildren, Travis, Emma, Logan and Jack and a grandson-in-law, Porter, as well as her brother Dick Sittler, his wife Linda, their three children Tammy, Michelle and Amy, their spouses and their children. She was loved and she will be deeply missed.





THE INTERSECTION OF IDENTITY AND DISCIPLINES

# ART | POSTERS | DANCE

ART INSTALLATION & DANCE EXHIBIT: VARIOUS ARTISTS | ROOM 1203  
POSTERS: ALICIA PATRICK AND DAVID LIPSCOMB | MAIN ROOM 1201

# CONFERENCE SCHEDULE

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## *At a Glance*

### **Thursday, April 20, 2017**

1:00PM - 4:00PM: **Registration**

1:00PM - 1:15PM: **Welcome** - Room 1201 Merten Hall

1:30PM - 2:45PM: **Session 1**

Workshop: "Who Are You?" Fariba Parsa - Room 1202 Merten Hall

Panel: Institutional Constraints of Women's Bodies - Room 2500 Merten Hall

Panel: State Influences on Inequity - Room 3300 Merten Hall

Panel: Queer Culture - Room 1203 Merten Hall

3:00PM - 4:15PM: **Keynote Speaker Rita Chi-Ying Chung** - Room 1202 Merten Hall

### **Friday, April 21, 2017**

8:30AM - 3:30PM: **Registration**

8:30AM - 9:00AM: **Breakfast and Welcome** - Room 1201 Merten Hall

9:00AM - 10:15AM: **Keynote Speaker Adia Harvey-Wingfield** - Room 1201 Merten Hall

10:30AM - 11:45AM: **Session 1**

Workshop: *Zine Workshop* - Room 1201 Merten Hall

Workshop: *Feminist Religion: Baha'i Contributions to Gender-Equality in Social and Economic Development* - Room 3500 Merten Hall

Panel: Inequality and Marginalization in Higher Ed - Room 1204 Merten Hall

12PM - 1:30PM: **Lunch & Staged Reading** *The Lesbian Wannabe* - Room 1201 Merten Hall

1:30PM: **Guest Solo Performance & Choreographic Film Screening:**

Horizon Miguel, Dancer, Choreographer, & Activist. - 1203 Merten Hall

2:00PM - 3:15PM: **Session 2**

Workshop: *Understanding Continuums of Violence in the LGBTQ Community* - Room 2500 Merten Hall

Workshop: *Equal Pay: How to Effectively Negotiate your Salary- Strategies from a Former Corporate Recruiter* - Room 3300 Merten Hall

Panel: A Transnational Gaze - Room 1204 Merten Hall

3:30PM - 4:45PM: **Session 3**

Workshop: *Discovering Your Economic Power Through Activism and Entrepreneurship* - Room 2500 Merten Hall

Workshop: *American Protest in a Global Perspective* - Room 1201 Merten Hall

Panel: Media and Representation - Room 3300 Merten Hall

Panel: Literary Voices - Room 1204 Merten Hall

4:45 - 5:00PM: **Closing Remarks**

Spoken Word Performance by Suzanne Scott Constantine

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WORKSHOP: "*Who Are You?*" Fariba Parsa - Room 1202 Merten Hall

PANEL: Institutional Constraints of Women's Bodies - Room 2500 Merten Hall

1. Michelle Gaspari "*Imperialism and Rebellious Ritualization: Female Genital Cutting among the Jola of Casamance, Southern Senegal*"
2. Marissa Kiss "*45 Years in the Making Title IX and Institutional and Gender Inequality in Virginia Public Universities*"
3. Lyla Byers "*Warmth, sympathy, and understanding may outweigh the surgeon's knife or the chemist's drug*"... *Unless you are fat: An intersectional feminist exploration of fat patients' experiences in health care situations*"

PANEL: State Influences on Inequity - Room 3300 Merten Hall

1. Hannah Tennies "*Paid Family Leave Policy Success and Failure at the state Level: A Comparative Case Study*"
2. Maria Valdovinos "*Exploring pathways to incarceration for women and the potential consequences of maternal incarceration on communities*"

PANEL: Queer Culture - Room 1203 Merten Hall

1. Jayna Tavaréz "*Creating Bi-Inclusive Campuses: Bisexual Women's Experiences with Biphobia in LGBTQ Spaces on Campus*"
2. Ray LeBlanc "*Serving Body: Drag Queens, Capitalism, and Performance*  
Arnele Francis and Slyvia Barley "*Creativity and Identity: The LGBTQ+ Sub-Culture of the Harlem Renaissance*"

**Keynote Speaker: Rita Chi-Ying Chung:** 3:00 PM - 4:15PM - Room 1202 Merten Hall

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## *Friday*

**Breakfast and Welcome:** 8:30AM - 9:00AM - Room 1201

**Keynote Speaker: Adia Harvey-Wingfield:** 9:00AM - 10:15AM- Room 1201 Merten Hall

Art Installation & Dance Exhibit (All Day) - Room 1203 Merten Hall

Poster Presentation (All Day):

Alicia Patrick - Room 1201 Merten Hall

David Lipscomb—Room 1201 Merten Hall

Resource Fair (All Day): Merten Hall

**Session 1:** 10:30AM - 11:45AM

WORKSHOP: *Zine Workshop* - Room 1201 Merten Hall

WORKSHOP: Ron Lapitan, Pendar Kordnavasi, Raheleh Vafaeinejabafad "*Feminist Religion: Baha'i Contributions to Gender-Equality in Social and Economic Development*" - Room 3500 Merten Hall

PANEL: Inequality and Marginalization in Higher Ed - Room 1204 Merten Hall

1. Christian Suero, Dr. Julie Owen, Beth Dalbec "*Thriving Together: Leveraging Well-Being and Civic engagement as Pathways to Flourishing for First-Generation College Students*"
2. Shannon N. Davis, Rebecca M. Jones, Pamela W. Garner, Duhita Mahatmya "*Creating a Supportive Context for Underrepresented Minority Faculty Members to Mentor Undergraduate Researchers: Findings from a Multi-Institutional Research Collaboration*"
3. Joanna G. Jauchen "*Gender Identities in Female STEM and Elementary Education Majors*"

**Lunch & Staged Reading** *The Lesbian Wannabe* : 12:00PM - 1:30PM

Room 1201 Merten Hall

**Guest Solo Performance & Choreographic Film Screening:**

1:30PM 1203 Merten Hall

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## *Friday (cont'd)*

### **Session 2:** 2:00PM - 3:15PM

WORKSHOP: Abby Picard *Understanding Continuums of Violence in the LGBTQ Community* - Room 2500 Merten Hall

WORKSHOP: Shirley Golub *Equal Pay: How to Effectively Negotiate your Salary-Strategies from a Former Corporate Recruiter* - Room 3300 Merten Hall

PANEL: A Transnational Gaze - Room 1204 Merten Hall

1. Samman Khan *"Critique of Western Feminist Thought: Gaps in Addressing Women's Rights Issues in the Global South"*
2. Wanjiku Wainiana *"Queer Tourism Flipped Over - From Nairobi to the London Gay Parade and Back"*

### **Session 3:** 3:30PM - 4:45PM

WORKSHOP: Jessica Smith, Lehna Asongwe *"Discovering Your Economic Power Through Activism and Entrepreneurship"* - Room 2500 Merten Hall

WORKSHOP: Michael P. Smith *"Women's Protest in a Global Perspective"*  
Room 1201 Merten Hall

PANEL: Media and Representation - Room 3300 Merten Hall

1. Marzia Nawrozi *"Power of Storytelling in Bringing Positive Change in Afghan Women's Lives"*
3. Melody Kujat *"From Buffy the Vampire Slayer to The 100: A History of Lesbian and Bisexual Television Representation and Social Media"*

PANEL: Literary Voices - Room 1204 Merten Hall

1. Sarah Nawab *"Poverty, Mental Health, and Black Masculinity in The Bluest Eye and Linden Hills"*
2. Tyler Coburn *"From Dante to Naylor: Using Allegory to Reinsert Race into the Literary Canon"*
3. Daniel Finch *"The Policing of Sexual Expression and Identity in The Bluest Eye and Linden Hills"*

**Closing Remarks:** 4:45PM - 5:00PM

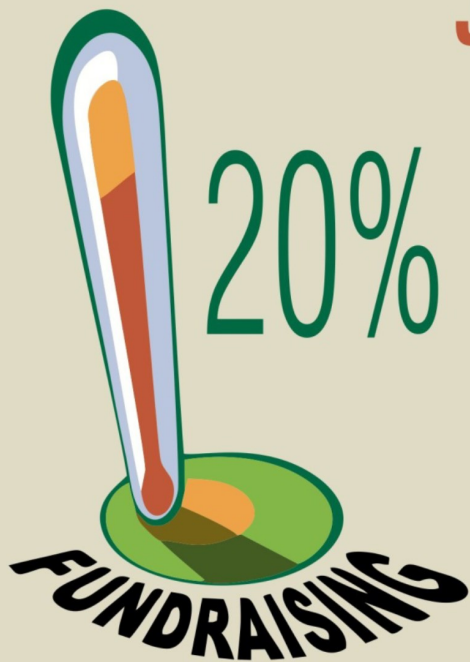
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*Thank You Very Much!*

Women and Gender Studies and the  
conference planning team wants to thank you  
very much for attending this year's conference.

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**Women and Gender Studies**

**George Mason University**

**Thursday, April 20, 2017**

**Dinner Time**



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