

WomenExplore

Lecture and Discussion Forum

Spring 2015 Series

Confronting the Violence against Women in our World: How Do We Live, Cope and Thrive?



March 12

WHY DOES VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN PERSIST IN ALL CULTURES?

Focus: Sylvia Gilman. An exhibit of Sylvia's paintings entitled *Peace and Women's Equality* will be on display.

Lecture: **Erica Caple James**, medical and psychiatric anthropologist at MIT, with an MTS degree from Harvard Divinity School

March 19

THE ORIGINS OF VIOLENCE

Focus: Lindsa Vallee

Lecture: **Luke Glowacki**, anthropologist at Department of Human Evolutionary Biology, Harvard University



March 26

RELIGION, WOMEN, POWER AND VIOLENCE

Focus: Ella Mahler

Lecture: **Irene Monroe**, nationally renowned African-American lesbian activist, scholar and public theologian

April 2

WHY AREN'T WE PROTECTING THE PLANET THAT NURTURES US?

Community Focus led by Lindsa Vallee

Lecture: **Rosalie Anders**, planner for City of Cambridge, climate change activist



April 9

STRENGTHENING OUR BODIES: BUILDING RESILIENCE AND EMPOWERMENT

Focus: Paula Chandoha

Lecture: **Lt Amy DiVirgilio**, RAD coordinator, Harvard University Police Department



April 16

VIOLENCE, SOCIAL JUSTICE AND THE CITY

Focus: Johanna Erickson

Lecture: **Jana Cephas**, Harvard Graduate School of Design, studying the social implications of urban design

April 23

THE LEGACY OF VIOLENCE: LIVING WITH FEAR

Focus: Barbara Villandry

Lecture: **Jennifer Musto**, Women's & Gender Studies, Wellesley College, teaching on gender, sexuality, migration, globalization, and technology



April 30

HOW CAN WE CHANGE THE CULTURE OF VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN?

Focus: Emmy Robertson

Lecture: **Wendy Murphy**, founder and dir Victim Advocacy & Research Group, adjunct professor at New England School of Law, author of *And Justice for Some*

May 7

MEN AS ALLIES: WHAT CAN FATHERS, BROTHERS, SONS AND PARTNERS DO?

Focus: Michael Vallee

Lecture: **Dwight Fee**, lecturer in Sociology, faculty affiliate in Studies of Women, Gender, and Sexuality, Harvard



May 14

JOY, BEAUTY AND POSSIBILITIES IN THE FACE OF HARROWING REALITIES

Focus: Martha Nielsen

Lecture: **Janet Cooper Nelson**, chaplain at Brown University

Thursdays in Harvard Sq, Cambridge MA

11:30 am Focus

12 noon-1pm Main Lecture

1pm-1:30pm Discussion

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