

BODY FIXES

Entanglements of Sexuality, Disability, and Health

April 16, 2021

9:00 am-3:00 pm CT, Zoom

S P A N
the Sexualities Project at Northwestern

Schedule

9:00-9:10 am

Welcome by Jan Radway (Director of Gender and Sexuality Studies) and Gregory Ward (Co-Director of SPAN)

9:10-9:15 am

Introduction of Keynote Speaker by Héctor Carrillo (Co-Director of SPAN)

9:15-10:30 am

Keynote Address:

"Queer History, Disability History, and the Politics of Health"

Regina Kunzel, Princeton University

10:30-10:45 am - Break

10:45-11:30 am

"Beyond Medical Necessity':
Transition Related Care and Pharmaceutical
Approaches to Sexual Dissatisfaction"

Kristina Gupta, Wake Forest University Moderator: Renee Shelby, SPAN Postdoc 11:30 am-12:15 pm

"In the Heat of the Moment: Allergic Reactions Through Fluid Exchange"

Michael Gill, Syracuse University Moderator: Renee Shelby, SPAN Postdoc

12:15-1:00 pm - Lunch break

1:00-1:45 pm

"Ed Gein and the Fabrication of the 'Mad Trans Killer"

Ryan Lee Cartwright, University of California, Davis Moderator: Ray Noll, SPAN Postdoc

1:45-2:30 pm

"The Evidence of Trans Experience (Being Street)"

Jules Gill-Peterson, University of Pittsburgh Moderator: Ray Noll, SPAN Postdoc

Keynote:

Regina Kunzel holds the Doris Stevens Chair and is Professor of History and Gender and Sexuality Studies at Princeton University. She is the author of Criminal Intimacy: Prison and the Uneven History of Modern American Sexuality(University of Chicago Press, 2008), Fallen Women, Problem Girls: Unmarried Mothers and the Professionalization of Social Work, 1890 to 1945 (Yale University Press, 1993), and articles on queer history, trans studies, disability studies, the history of prison sexual culture, single pregnancy, and gender and professionalization. Her current project explores the encounter of LGBT/queer people with psychiatry in the twentieth-century United States.

Presenters:

Kristina Gupta is an Associate Professor in the Department of Women's, Gender, and Sexuality Studies at Wake Forest University. Her research interests are in the areas of contemporary asexual identies and gender, science, and medicine. She is the author of Medical Entanglements: Rethinking Feminist Debates about Healthcare (Rutgers University Press, 2019) and co-editor of Queer Feminist Science Studies: A Reader (University of Washington Press, 2017).

Michael Gill is an associate professor of disability studies in the department of Cultural Foundations of Education at Syracuse University, USA. He is the disability studies minor advisor. Gill is the author of the book Already Doing It: Intellectual Disability and Sexual Agency (University of Minnesota Press 2015). He co-wrote, with Alexis Boylan, Anna Mae Duane, and Barbara Gurr, Furious Feminisms: Alternate Routes on Mad Max: Fury Road (University of Minnesota Press 2020). He also co-edited, with Cathy Schlund-Vials, Disability, Human Rights, and the Limits of Humanitarianism (Ashgate 2014). Gill's research and teaching interests include feminist and queer disability studies, intellectual disability and sexuality, reproductive justice, food allergies, intersections of gender, race, and science, and masculinity studies.

Ryan Lee Cartwright is Assistant Professor of American Studies at the University of California, Davis and is affiliated with the graduate group in Cultural Studies and the graduate Designated Emphasis in Feminist Theory and Research. Cartwright is the author of Peculiar Places: A Queer Crip History of White Rural Nonconformity (University of Chicago Press, July 2021). Cartwright is developing a new project that examines the gendered and racialized emergence of chronic illness as a "social burden" in the early-to-mid twentieth century US, a project that's animated by questions of friendlessness, social welfare, and material relations of care.

Jules Gill-Peterson is an Assistant Professor of English, with a secondary appointment in Gender, Sexuality, and Women's Studies, at the University of Pittsburgh. She is the author of Histories of the Transgender Child, (University of Minnesota Press, 2018), winner of a Lambda Literary Award for Transgender Nonfiction. As of Spring 2020 she also serves as an incoming General Co-Editor of Transgender Studies Quarterly. Professor Gill-Peterson is currently at work on a book project entitled Gender Underground: A History of Trans DIY.

Moderators

Ray Noll is a 2020–22 SPAN postdoctoral fellow. She received her Ph.D. in Political Science and Anthropology from the University of Chicago in 2020, and is jointly appointed in the Anthropology and Political Science Department. Ray is broadly interested in criminality, punishment, political transgression and revolt, critical race theory, and queer theory. Ray's current project, "Jail Refrains: Queer Relations Within and Beyond Necessity," is an ethnographic and theoretical exploration of the Cook County Jail (CCJ), nearing a decade of preliminary fieldwork conducted that pivots from specific programming for queer/LGBTQ individuals incarcerated in Chicago, Illinois. Ray's writing has appeared in edited collections such as The War on Sex and Diverse Unfreedoms: The Afterlives and Transformations of Post–Transatlantic Bondages.

Renee Shelby is a 2020–22 SPAN postdoctoral fellow. She recently received her Ph.D. in History and Sociology from the Georgia Institute of Technology. Her research focuses on the politics of technology, inequalities around gender and sexuality, gender violence, activism and surveillance, and social theory. Her first book project, Designing Justice: Sexual Violence, Technology, and Citizen-Activism, examines the social and legal consequences of new technologies used to prevent, investigate, and prosecute sexual assault. Renee's work has been funded by the ACLS/Carnegie Mellon Foundation. Her research has appeared in Feminist Media Studies, Theoretical Criminology, Engaging Science and Technology Studies, and Criminal Justice Studies, among others.