

BEREA COLLEGE

WOMEN'S AND GENDER STUDIES

----- *September 2020 Newsletter* -----

UPDATE FROM THE CENTER + DEPARTMENT:

Draper 106 is closed this semester but our programming continues online! The September and November **Gender Talks** will be hosted via Zoom; and, we've added a series this semester for **PRIDE** in October, also hosted via Zoom. The Evening with an Activist series and WGS Colloquium Series are on pause until we can congregate again in person (hopefully, soon!).

Pronoun pins are available upon request and will be mailed to you. Email saderholmkb@berea.edu to request your pin today!



BC STUDENTS ON BODY POSITIVITY:

"To me, body positivity means being kind to yourself, and doing your best to take care of your needs while recognizing that beauty is just a social construct that varies depending on time." - **Erycah Edwards**

"Body positivity is the movement meant to encourage us to challenge beauty standards that our patriarchal, racist and classist society has enforced on us, and to stop internalizing this oppressive definition of beauty, and start loving ourselves for the amazing, talented, and beautiful people we are." - **Anonymous Student**



"*Within the Woman Sky*" by BC student **Malaya V. Wright**

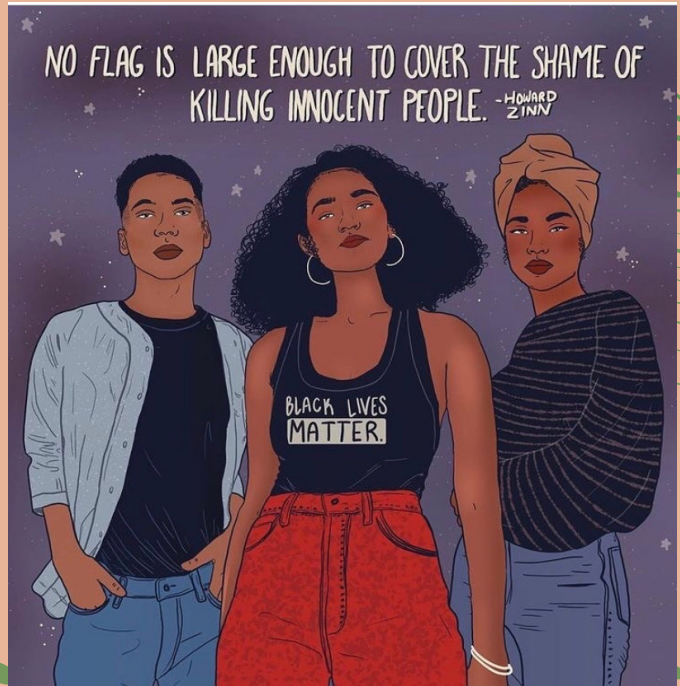
Within our womanly sky lies fear, power, and truth. We look to the sky every day. We curse it. We pray. We weep. But only sometimes do we see the Women. The Women are Within the Sky.

WEEKLY BLM DEMONSTRATION:

Every Wednesday, Friday, and
Sunday 7PM-8PM @Sidewalk
near Union Church.

**WITHOUT
COMMUNITY
THERE IS NO
LIBERATION.**

- AUDRE LORDE -



2020 STUDENT PROGRAMMERS



Destiny Easley

"I love the openness and acceptance of WGS and I want to ensure that the word is getting out about how great of a program we have here!"



Sabina Sabal

"I'm interested in WGS because it's important to know how our gender expression contributes to our self-perception, self-expression, and interactions!"



Mandy Snowden

"The community and acceptance I experienced in an intro WGS class freshman year is what first drew me into the WGS department."

WGS CLASSES SESSION B

Introduction to Women's and Gender Studies with Dr. Meredith Lee on Tues /Thurs

Intersectionality and its Dis/Contents with Dr. M. Shadee Malaklou on Wednesdays

Black Queer Theory with Dr. Jakeya Caruthers on Wednesdays



UPCOMING GENDER TALK



Don't miss our September 16th Gender Talk with esteemed founder of Trans Studies, **Dr. Susan Stryker!**

What Transpires Now: Trans History in the Present

SPEAKER: Susan Stryker **Respondent:** Meredith Lee



In this talk, trans historian and filmmaker Susan Stryker discusses her recent efforts to link histories of trans resistance to structural police violence, the criminalization of trans lives, and incarceration to contemporary abolitionist movements. She will discuss the memorialization of the 1966 Compton's Cafeteria Riot, the call to displace the private for-profit incarceration facility that now occupies the historic site of the riot, and efforts to link this local struggle to broader social justice movements through participation in the In Plain Sight art action. In doing so, **she hopes to show how radical story-telling can be a tool for social transformation,** and how history is a practice of creative truth-telling that has the power to confer realness upon unrecognized capacities for change.

**Gender
Talk**

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Reading: "At the Crossroads of Turk and Taylor: On the Intersection of Trans Resistance, Black Lives Mattering, Police and Prison Abolitionism, and Access to the Means of Existence" by Susan Stryker <https://medium.com/@susanstryker/at-the-crossroads-of-turk-and-taylor-24a28cc84832>



ZOOM: Attendees webinar link for the Susan Stryker event is <https://berea.zoom.us/j/93861213365> OR scan the QR code, here.



Wednesday, Sept 16, 2020 Zoom Webinar 12:00-1:00

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GENDER + SEXUALITY RESOURCES

Health Education Advocacy Resource Team

Email: heart@berea.edu

Facebook: Berea College Health Education Advocacy Resource Team

YOU CAN NOW ORDER SAFE SEX SUPPLIES FROM H.E.A.R.T. BY FILLING OUT THIS SURVEY: [HTTPS://BEREA.CA1.QUALTRICS.COM/JFE/FORM/SV_EGL0TYOC9I36ZY5](https://berea.ca1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/sv_egl0tyoc9i36zy5)



Counseling Services

Phone: (859) 985-3212

Therapists in Counseling Services cannot provide counseling over the telephone but can connect you with appropriate resources, including a mental health provider in your area.

New Opportunity School for Women

Phone: (859) 985-7200

Email: heart@berea.edu

NOSW offers a three-day non-residential program and a two-week residential program. The three-day non-residential program focuses on recovering a sense of self worth, cultivating a network of support, discovering your goals, and taking small steps to achieve them. The two-week residential program also focuses on self-esteem and wellness, with an added focus on career and education as well as the arts, culture, and community.

National Women's Studies Association

This year's N.W.S.A. conference, The Poetics, Politics, and Praxis of Transnational Feminisms, has been cancelled in response to COVID-19. Please be in touch with Dr. Malaklou (malakloum@berea.edu), Dr. Lee (leem2@berea.edu), and/or Dr. Caruthers (caruthersj@berea.edu) if you are interested in presenting your research at a future N.W.S.A. or other local and/or national gender and sexuality studies conference.

