

## **Radical Collaboration(s) for a Better World**

*Reckonings, (R)evolutions, Life and Love...  
Towards the Elimination of All Forms of Inequalities*

**March 10-11, 2023**

**Feminist Legal Studies and the Faculty of Law, Queen's University, Kingston**

**All times referenced are in EST.**

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***Friday, March 10, 2023***

**12:00 Registration and light lunch – Faculty of Law, 128 Union St., Kingston, Ont., Student Lounge**  
(Lower level)

**1:00 Conference Opening:**

**Welcome and Introduction to Goals of Conference, 128 Union St., Kingston, Ont., room #201**  
(Overflow room #400)

Bitu Amani, Faculty of Law and Co-Director, Feminist Legal Studies Queen's, Queen's University

Kathleen Lahey, Faculty of Law and Co-Director, Feminist Legal Studies Queen's, Queen's University

**1:10 Keynote address: “Roots, Routes, and Reckonings: On Blackness and Belonging in North America”**

**PDF International Visitor, Dr. Debra Thompson, Canada Research Chair in Racial Inequality in Democratic Societies**, Associate Professor at the Department of Political Science at McGill University, and the Queen's University Principal's Development Fund Visitor.

**2:30 Break, 128 Union St., Kingston, Ont., room #211**

**2:45 Panel I: To Stay, Move, and Decide: Embedded Values and Powers**

Chair: Debra Haak

Sharry Aiken, “Equally unequal: the erasure of substantive equality for non-citizens in Canada”

Sule Tomkinson [Zoom], “Revisiting Administrative Justice Values for a Caring Public Administration”

Terry Hancock, “Virtual Reality: (In) Equality and the Impact of Technology in the Justice System”

**4:15 Break**, 128 Union St., Kingston, Ont., room #211

**4:30 Panel II: Humanizing Discourses and Socializing Stories Promoting Life: Methods and Equality of Relations Revisited**

Chair: Sharry Aiken

Ladan Adhami-Dorrani, “The Significance of Methodology in Re-imagining a more Equitable World”

Lindsay Borrows, “Decolonizing Law and the Academy through Story and Oral Traditions: Knowings and the Teachings of a Grand Mother”

Usha Natarajan, [Zoom] “Radical Global Collaboration for Environmental Justice”

**6:00 Dinner** Robert Sutherland Hall, Policy Studies, 138 Union St., room #202 (main floor)

**6:45 Panel III: Evening Program on Politics and Poetics**

**Fire in the Belly and Burning Conversations: Life, Art, and the Authoring of a Better World**

Chair and Dinner Conversation Chat Host: Bitá Amani

Parmida Barez, “Women, Life, Freedom - Poetry, Music & Activism in Iran's Women-led revolution”

Mehraneh Ebrahimi, [Zoom] "Seeking Justice in Exile; Iranian Diasporic Voices"

Juliane Okot Bitek, “Excavating Joseph Conrad’s *Heart of Darkness* three letters at a time”

Debra Thompson, “Reflections On Writing about Life, Memoir, Memory, and Voices in the African Diaspora”

“*Fireside Chat...*”

**8:30 Day 1 Adjourns**

***Saturday, March 11, 2023***

Robert Sutherland Hall, Policy Studies, 138 Union St., room #202 (main floor)

**9:15 Registration and light breakfast: Mix and Mingle**

**9:30 Welcome and Introduction to Day 2**

**9:35 Panel IV: On Love and Life: Patriarchy, Politics and (In)equalities in/of Changing Environments**

Chair: Beverley Baines

Vrinda Narain, “Fatal Attraction: Love, Politics, and the Death of Secular Democracy in India”

Elahe Amani, [Zoom], “The Future is Female, Equal and Radical- Women Life Freedom”

**10:35 Stretch Break**

**10:45 Panel V: Care, Wellbeing, and the (Re)Imagining of Established Thinking: Conceptions, Preventions, and Collaborations**

Chair: Lisa Kelly

Yuanjin Xia, “Exploitation, Vulnerability, and Fairness: How Should We Account for the Exploitation of Care Workers?”

Michele J McIntosh, "A Shot in the Dark? Girls, Cervical Cancer Prevention Strategies, and Harm"

Oyedeji Ayonrinde, "Racism and (Micro) aggressions: an allostatic “geological” model of conceptualizing the impact on mental health”

Danielle Macdonald, “(Re)imagining Global Public Health: Kaleidoscope Collaborations”

**12:45 Lunch Break**

**1:45 Panel VI: Sustainable (Development) Goals? Cultural Production, Commodity Consumption and the Eradication of (In)(e)qualities Of Identity Harms in National and International Fora**

Chair: Danielle Macdonald

Aileen Editha, “Reconstructing Rights: Property and Personhood Through The Lens of Critical Race and Feminist Theories”

Bitu Amani, “Some More Equal Than Others: Forbidden Arts and Critical Contexts for the (False) Promises of Intellectual Property Rights”

Elizabeth Pephrah-Asare [Zoom] “UN Women’s SDGs Encounter Afrofuturism: Considerations for African-Heritage Women’s Wellbeing & Futurities”

**3:15 Afternoon Tea**

### **3:25 Panel VII: Feminisms Convergences and Divergences: United and Divided Conceptions of (and Consequences for) Equality**

Chair: Bitu Amani

Lisa Kelly, “Feminisms Divided: On Voluntariness and the Criminal Law”

Debra Haak, “Intersection(ality) and Divergence: Equality Discourse in Constitutional Litigation about Commercial Sex Laws in Canada”

Kathleen Lahey [Zoom], “Looking at the World from the Top Side Down: Gender Equality, Indigenous, and Migrating Women in the Circumpolar North Countries”

### **4:55 Conference Wrap Up**

### **5:00 Conference Adjourns**

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