## **Cultures of Dispossession:** Feminism, Migration, and Displacement

a one-day symposium exploring the intersections among gender, sexuality, race, and migration in transnational contexts

## Friday 18th September, 2015 George Mason University, Fairfax Campus Merten Hall, Rooms 1202 & 1201

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9.00am Welcome and Opening Remarks

9.15 - 10.30am Citizenship, Immigration, and Necropolitics [1202]
(Chair: Katie Oliviero, Dickinson College)

Eithne Luibheid (Women's and Gender Studies, University of Arizona)

'Queer Lives, Migration Controls, and Necropolitics'

Jane Juffer (English; Feminist, Gender & Sexuality Studies, Cornell University) 'An "Archive of Feeling": Children's Resistance to U.S. Detention Camps"

**10.30 - 10.45am** Coffee

10.45 - 12 noon Vulnerability, Precarity, and Transnational Migration [1202]

(Chair: Rachel Jones, George Mason University)

Erinn Gilson (Philosophy, University of North Florida)

'Vulnerability, Relationality, and Dependency: Feminist Conceptual Resources for Food Justice and Migrant Workers'

Katie Oliviero (Women's and Gender Studies, Dickinson College)

'Transnational Circuits of Accountability and Precarity: Ugandan lbti Activists' Responses to Anti-

Homosexuality Legislation'

**12 - 12.45pm** Lunch [1202]

12.45 - 2.15pm Vulnerability, Dispossession, and Refugee Performance [1201]

(Chair: Jane Juffer, Cornell University)

Amy Shuman (English; Folklore; Disability Studies, Ohio State University)

'Rejected Bodies: The Bristol Disability Asylum Murals'

Rachel Lewis (Women & Gender Studies, George Mason University)

'A Kafkaesque State: Lesbians, Theatre, and Asylum'

Lindsay Cummings (Theater Arts; Women's, Gender & Sexuality Studies, University of Connecticut)

'Stories Carried in the Body: Negotiating Exile in Theatre for Young Audiences'

**2.15 - 2.30pm** Break

**2.30 - 3.30pm** Staged reading of *Exile is My Home: A Sci-Fi Immigrant Fairytale* (Domnica Radulescu) [1201]

**3.30 - 3.45pm** Break

3.45 - 5.30pm Roundtable Panel and Closing Discussion, "Women, Theater, and Asylum" [1201]

(Chair: Lindsay Cummings, University of Connecticut)

Domnica Radulescu (Professor, Romance Languages; Women's Studies, Washington and Lee University) Christine Evans (Assistant Professor, Department of Performing Arts, Georgetown University)

Maya Roth (Associate Professor and Chair, Department of Performing Arts, Georgetown University)

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