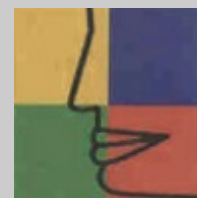


**University of Maryland**  
**Department of Women's Studies**



*WMST/LGBT Undergraduate E-News*

*Fall 2015, #2*

*Greetings!*

Hope your semester has gotten off to a good start and you are enjoying our continuing lovely (but hot) weather . In case you missed last week's inaugural issue, the Department will post a regular e-newsletter to announce events, scholarships, jobs, internships, deadlines, and other matters of interest to WMST/LGBT students.

Included in each issue will be an update from Kate Juhl, ARHU's Program Director from the University Career Center . This week one of the highlights is the Intern for a Day program.

In this issue of the e-news the Spotlight is on the officers of the UMD chapter of TRIOTA national honor society. Check out their bios and look forward to future news about membership and activities.

Check out also happenings on campus and some free (or nearly free) activities in the area this weekend.

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*Mark Your Calendars!*



## Sept. 10-Nov. 20: Selections from the Sandra and Lloyd Baccus Collection

The David C. Driskell Center, located on the first floor of Cole Student Activities Building, is presenting 68 works--of a diverse range of media--gifted to the Center by Ms. Baccus. Works are from a number of prominent African American and African Diasporic artists. Artists include:

Phoebe Beasley, Margaret Burroughs, and Meta Vaux Warrick Fuller. Learn more about this exhibit [here](#).

## Sept. 24: A Conversation with Angela Davis

Feminist and civil rights activist Angela Davis is coming to campus on Thursday, September 24th, through UMD's Voices of Social Change program. [Get your tickets today at St amp Ticket Office by Hoff Theatre.](#) Learn more [here](#).

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## *Weekend Plans*

### Queering Capitol Hill Walking Tour

Presented by Rainbow History Project and sponsored by WalkingTown DC, this walking tour includes stories of radical lesbian separatists, First Amendment fights, the foundation of GLBT religious organizations, the community's response to AIDS, and other tales from seven decades of gay and lesbian life in the shadow of the Capitol. **Saturday, September 19, 1:00-3:00 pm.**

[Register by 11:45 p.m., Friday, September 18.](#)

### Women's Voices Theater Festival, D.C.



This fall more than 50 D.C. theatres are coming together to celebrate new plays written by women through the Women's Voices Theater Festival.

This **Saturday, September 19th** the Folger Theatre is hosting *texts&beheadings/ElizabethR*.  
cost: **pay-what-you-can!** Show starts at 8pm, tickets available starting at 5pm at the box office; cash only.

Learn more about the show and festival [here](#).

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## *Critical Language Scholarships for Summer 2016*

Want to study one of these critical languages during summer 2016 - all expenses paid?

*Arabic - Chinese - Korean - Japanese - Russian - Turkish - Indonesian - Hindi - Bangla/Bengali - Persian - Punjabi - Urdu - Azerbaijani-Swahili*

Want to study abroad in one of these countries during summer 2016 - all expenses paid?

*Egypt - Jordan - Morocco - Oman - Tunisia - China - South Korea - Russia - Turkey - India - Tajikistan - Bangladesh - Azerbaijan - Indonesia - Japan*

Learn more about the CLS summer 2016 scholarships - and about preparing a strong application by the *\*Mid-November 2015 deadline\** - by attending an information session about the Critical Language Scholarship program:

Thursday, September 17 at 10:00 am  
Thursday, September 17 at 12:00 pm  
Friday, September 18 at 12:00 pm  
Friday, September 18 at 3:30 pm  
Friday, September 25 at 9:15 am  
Friday, September 25 at 12:00pm  
Friday, September 25 at 4:00pm

All information sessions held in 2403 Marie Mount Hall. For any of the above sessions, please **RSVP to [scholarships@umd.edu](mailto:scholarships@umd.edu)** as space is limited. If you are interested but unable to attend, please write to [scholarships@umd.edu](mailto:scholarships@umd.edu) address to receive more information by email.

*Application Deadline: Mid-November 2015, date to be announced shortly.*

ELIGIBILITY: Applicants must be: US Citizens; currently enrolled freshmen, sophomores, juniors, seniors, or graduate students. A GPA of 3.4 or higher recommended; all majors are eligible.

PLEASE NOTE: CLS program in Arabic, Chinese, Japanese, Persian, and Russian require one or two years of previous study of these languages.

For more information about the CLS Program, visit the CLS website at

## *NWSA Conference Scholarships: Deadline Sept. 25th*

The Department of Women's Studies will support the participation of two undergraduate students in the **2015 National Women's Studies Association Conference** in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, November 13-15. The conference will attract women/gender/sexuality studies scholars and students from across the country presenting workshops and panels on a wide range of issues addressing the conference theme, "Precarity," which "draws attention to the lived conditions, structured nature, and relational aspects of systemic inequality."

The award will cover transportation, hotel, conference registration, and food.

Who is eligible to apply: any University of Maryland College Park undergraduate student in good standing who has completed 12 credits of WMST and/or LGBT courses. To apply, submit: resume, list of LGBT and WMST courses completed, name and email address of one faculty recommender, and a 250-500 word statement of why you would like to attend the NWSA conference. Applications should be emailed to Dr. Elsa Barkley Brown -- [barkleyb@umd.edu](mailto:barkleyb@umd.edu) -- no later than 4:00 p.m., Friday, September 25.

To learn more about the National Women's Studies Association and see the program for this year's conference, visit <http://www.nwsa.org/> This video about the NWSA conference features several UMD women's studies scholars (Dr. Mel Lewis, WMST PhD 2012; Maariya Bassa, WMST B.A. 2012; Dr. Michelle Rowley, WMST Core Faculty): <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=K17Jrn0oRTO>

For questions about the award or the application procedure, please contact Dr. Elsa Barkley Brown, Director of Undergraduate Studies, Women's Studies Department and Program.

## *Study Abroad*

### **Maryland-in-London**

The Study Abroad Office announced that the Maryland-in-London program is now partnered with Queen Mary, University of London, one of the UK's top 50 institutions.

The program boasts an enhanced course list with over 300 courses available; among the courses offered are a series focused on sexuality and literature.



For more information about Maryland-in-London, please contact [Deborah Lake](#), who coordinates the program and meets with all interested applicants.

Applications are currently being accepted for spring 2016; the deadline to apply is October 1st.

More information is available at <http://ter.ps/umlondon>.

## Interested in an Internship as part of that Maryland-in-London experience?

Attend the Internships Abroad Info Session: Tuesday, September 22: 4:00-5:00 p.m. in the Career Center Resource Room. For more information and to RSVP to this event, visit <http://globalmaryland.umd.edu/offices/education-abroad/internships-abroad-info-session>

## Spotlight

### Meet the Iota, Iota, Iota (Triota) e-Board

Triota is a national honor society that strives to maintain feminist values while promoting student research and activism in socio-political issues that effect all minority groups. Membership is open to all UMD students, regardless of major, who have completed at least two Women's Studies courses and have a Women's Studies and cumulative GPA of at least 3.0.

Want to learn more? Visit Triota's [website](#) or send an email to [triotaumd@gmail.com](mailto:triotaumd@gmail.com).



### VP Communication: Melva Coles

I am a senior Sociology major with a concentration in Social Stratification and a Women's Studies Certificate student. As a woman of African, Asian and European descent and first generation college student, I am aware and careful to consider how my status and identities affect the role I play in society. As a result, I possess a deep interest in urban and minority education and have a strong desire to become a scholar and educator. From 2014-2015, I served as an Undergraduate Research Assistant at the Consortium on Race, Gender, and Ethnicity, and now currently, I serve as the Senior Event Manager at Memorial Chapel and as an Event Services Assistant at the Adele H. Stamp Student Union. Additionally, I am a scholar of the Incentive Awards Program and a Student Ambassador for the College of Behavioral and Social Sciences. Some fun facts about me include: I have been to Belgium, France, Germany and the Netherlands to study international and multicultural perspectives in education; I enjoy doing independent research on Women's Rhetoric and Social Stratification; and I am a proud feminist and member of the Libertarian Party.

### VP Membership: Joan Tsai

My name is Joan Tsai, from Greenbelt, Maryland. I am a senior Accounting major and Women's Studies Certificate candidate. Before I took my first Women's Studies course, I thought it is only about feminism and fighting for women rights. Nonetheless, after taking Women's Bodies in Contention, I acknowledge that Women's Studies is more than that. We discussed women's health and bodies, violence against minorities, the agency and resistance, women in sports, etc. I care about the problems, such as domestic violence, reproductive rights, identity and homosexual issues. Being a member of Triota has not only helped me explore these issues outside of the classroom through activism, community service, internship and scholarship, but also given me the

opportunity to meet friends that share the same interests and values as me.

### **VP Finance: Swathi Siva Srinivas**

Hi, my name is Swathi Siva Srinivas. I am from Westminster, Maryland and I am a sophomore Psychology and Women's Studies double major. Currently, I am the Vice President of Finance for Triota. After taking a women's studies intro class during my first semester, I knew that I was interested in taking more classes. So far in all the classes I have taken, my interest in women's studies has grown and I intend on working with Triota to learn more from the members and gain a new experience by working hands-on with the issues that we learn in classes and more.

### **VP Programming: Avid**

My name is Avid, I am a non-binary trans\* person, and my pronouns are gender inclusive (i.e.: "they", "them", "theirs"). I am an Artist in the Honors Art program and a recipient of the 2015-2016 CAPA scholarship. I am an undergraduate working on a certificate in LGBTQ Studies. My education has been disrupted in the past by health problems and violence and I enjoy proving every day that the things we most wish had never happened can lead to beautiful and substantial breakthroughs. I'm one of those people who actually loves reading most of what professors assign and I am really excited about history and science especially when they intersect with issues of equality, choice and social constructs. I feel most free to explore and process my research in those disciplines while making use of my skills in drawing, fabrication and presentation. I enjoy disruptive and healing work and like to bring them together as much as possible. I also delight in making hula hoops, dancing with them and learning tricks. I can spend many hours just spinning and literally jumping through hoops for fun!

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## *Volunteers Needed*

### **BECOME A COUNSELOR AT THE HELP CENTER HOTLINE**

#### ***Freshman and Sophomores Only***

The Help Center is a student-run peer counseling and crisis intervention service on campus. Train to help people dealing with roommate issues, relationship dilemmas, thoughts of suicide, confusion, and other life issues.

Training begins only once a semester, so call 301.314.4357 to set up an interview!!

DEADLINE TO CALL: October 2nd

Must be available:

Thursday, October 22nd from 7pm-9pm,

Saturday, October 24th & Sunday, 25th from 9a-5p both days.

Requires 2-3 semesters of on-the-job training.

Call 301.314.4357 or stop by 3105 South Campus Dining Hall

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## Career Corner

### ARHU Career Events & Opportunities via Kate Juhl

#### Upcoming Events

A full listing of career events can always be found at [www.Careers.umd.edu](http://www.Careers.umd.edu). ARHU students can schedule appointments with the University Career Center @ ARHU through Careers4Terps ([www.Careers.umd.edu](http://www.Careers.umd.edu)). Walk-in hours are also held on Mondays from 1:30-3:30 pm and Thursdays from 9:30-11:30 am in 1118 Francis Scott Key Hall.

**ARHU Mock Interview Clinic** [www.Careers.umd.edu](http://www.Careers.umd.edu) Don't miss this chance to complete a mock interview with an ARHU alumna! Only a few spots remain. Submit your resume to position #125824 in Careers4Terps ASAP to grab a 30-minute slot. Sept. 29, 10A-3P | University Career Center | 3100 Hornbake Library, South Wing

**How to Find an Internship** <http://go.umd.edu/FindAnInternship2> Not sure where to start with your internship search? Or, do you feel like you are at a standstill and unsure about the next steps in your search? To help you with your internship search, we will discuss specific resources available to research internship opportunities, tips on making a positive first impression, and strategies to connect with UMD alumni working within your intended career field. Click [here](#) to RSVP, or contact [Erica Ely](#) for more information. September 21, 12-1PM | University Career Center | 3100 Hornbake Library, South Wing

**Intern for a Day Mandatory Orientation** [www.Careers.umd.edu/InternForADay](http://www.Careers.umd.edu/InternForADay) This orientation session is for undergraduate students interested in participating in Intern for a Day - a short-term job shadowing experience in a field of interest. It is mandatory to attend one orientation session in order to receive the Intern for a Day application and to be considered for the program. During this orientation, we will discuss the application process, host sites available, the student/host matching process, and workplace etiquette during your shadowing experience. Check the link above for more information about Intern for a Day. The Intern for a Day application deadline is Monday, September 28 at 11:59 p.m. Please try and arrive 10 minutes early for check-in and to fill out an applicant waiver. Click on the appropriate link below to reserve a spot in one of the six orientation days. For additional information, contact Erica Ely at [ifad@umd.edu](mailto:ifad@umd.edu).

12:00 - 1:00	Tuesday, September 22, 12-12:30PM - <a href="#">RSVP</a>
4:00 - 5:00	Tuesday, September 22, 4-4:30PM - <a href="#">RSVP</a>
12:00 - 1:00	Wednesday, September 23, 12-12:30PM - <a href="#">RSVP</a>
4:00 - 5:00	Wednesday, September 23, 4-4:30PM - <a href="#">RSVP</a>
12:00 - 1:00	Thursday, September 24, 12-12:30PM - <a href="#">RSVP</a>
4:00 - 5:00	Thursday, September 24, 4-4:30PM - <a href="#">RSVP</a>

*WMST/LGBT Studies-Related Intern for a Day sites* include Smithsonian National Museum of American History, Bread for the City, National Archives, Voice of America, local K-12 schools, local law offices, DC Office of Cable Television, U.S. Department of State,

Baltimore School for the Arts. A complete listing of host sites (and descriptions) is available at [www.Careers.umd.edu/InternForADay](http://www.Careers.umd.edu/InternForADay) .

**Employer Networking Session:** T. Howard Foundation. Employer Networking Sessions provide employers with an opportunity to present information about their organization while also providing time and space for students to network with recruiters. The T. Howard Foundation is a non-profit organization whose mission is to diversify the media and entertainment industry by increasing the representation of minority young men and women within the industry. T. Howard provides PAID full-time summer internships for minority college students from ALL ACADEMIC MAJORS at high profile media companies across the United States. Once accepted as a T. Howard intern, students will have access to certain benefits including professional development workshops, networking events, complimentary membership to professional organizations, and exclusive scholarships. The foundation's host companies include, but are not limited to, HBO, AMC Networks, ESPN, Comcast, DIRECTV, Showtime Networks, Paramount Pictures, Viacom Media Networks, Univision and many others!

- *Date & Time:* Wednesday, September 23, 2015 4:30 p.m.-5:30 p.m.
- *Location:* University Career Center & The President's Promise
- Minimum attire for ALL sessions with employers present is business casual unless otherwise specified.
- For additional information or to RSVP for this event: contact Caroline Lee at [clee91@umd.edu](mailto:clee91@umd.edu)

**LinkedIn: Beyond the Headshot** <http://go.umd.edu/BeyondTheHeadshot> Have you always wanted to build a LinkedIn profile? Are you looking for ways to make your profile stand out from the rest? Whether you are new to LinkedIn or not, come join us to learn how to best utilize this powerful media platform. We'll show you how to jump-start your engagement with this networking community to explore internship and job opportunities. We can also assist you in building your LinkedIn presence or provide feedback on your existing profile. Professional headshot + professional profile = LinkedIn IMPACT! No prior familiarity with LinkedIn is required. *\*Note: bring your laptop or tablet to use when developing your profile. (Several computers available on a first come, first serve basis.)* September 25, 12-1PM | University Career Center | 3100 Hornbake Library, South Wing

### Career4Terps Opportunities

*Thousands of internships as well as part-time and full-time jobs (including the few listed below) can be found by logging into Careers4Terps at [www.Careers.umd.edu](http://www.Careers.umd.edu). Need help accessing your account? Stop by the University Career Center (3100 Hornbake Library, South Wing) anytime Monday-Friday from 10:00 am- 4:00 pm (no appointment needed) for help with Careers4Terps.*

**Awareness and Advocacy Fellow, Position #125245** on Careers4Terps

#### **National Coalition for the Homeless**

*Position Type:* Internship Fall or Spring Part-Time

*Location:* Washington, D.C.

*Desired Class Level:* Junior, Senior

*Desired Major:* All Majors

*Description:* The National Coalition for the Homeless is a national network of people who are currently experiencing or who have experienced homelessness, activists and advocates, community-based and faith-based service organizations, and others committed to a single mission:



To prevent and end homelessness while ensuring the immediate needs of those experiencing homelessness are met and their civil rights protected. The Awareness and Advocacy Fellow will work in the national headquarters of the Coalition in Washington, D.C. with a team of staff and other Fellows engaging in individual and collective projects, mainly National Hunger and Homelessness Awareness Week and Homeless Persons' Memorial Day. The Fellow will help to develop impactful organizing tools for these national events and engage new partners in raising awareness.

*Qualifications:*

Superior written communication skills S Ability to think critically and creatively S Experience working in a diverse setting S Excellent time management skills S Ability to work within deadlines S Ability to work independently as well as in partnership with a team S

*Preferred Experiences:*

Community organizing experience S Direct service with homeless/low income populations

**Maryland Coalition Against Sexual Assault (MCASA), Program Intern (#121064)**

*Position Type :* Fall or Spring Part-Time (unpaid)

*Location :* Silver Spring, Maryland

*Desired Persons:* Freshmen, Sophomores, Juniors, Seniors, Masters Candidates; all majors

*Description :* MCASA advocates for accessible, compassionate care for survivors, the prevention of sexual assault, and accountability for all offenders. MCASA actively works to end sexual violence in Maryland through professional training, public outreach, public policy advocacy, technical assistance, and legal services. Through hands-on learning responsibilities, MCASA's program interns are engaged in the important effort to end rape, child sexual abuse, and the full continuum of sexual violence including campus sexual assault and human sex trafficking through webinars and trainings, professional meetings, and written resource materials.

*Duration :* minimum of 3 months

*Approximate Hours Per Week :* minimum of 15

*Duties:*

Develop ability to write and format professional documents such as letters, fact sheets, website content, and newsletter articles S Answer and make telephone calls S Learn about event management by assisting with logistics coordination for professional training sessions and fundraising events S Enhance research skills by completing written projects regarding sexual violence S Maintain database records S Participate in public outreach by attending events, staffing community

*Qualifications :*

Be genuinely concerned about sexual violence issues and have a passion and desire to make a difference S Experience and proficiency with Microsoft Word, Excel, and PowerPoint preferred S Be able to communicate effectively verbally and in writing

*To apply,* send cover letter, resume, and one writing sample to [jobs@mcasa.org](mailto:jobs@mcasa.org).

*For more information,* please visit <http://www.mcasa.org/about-mcasa/jobs-internships/>

**A Wider Circle, Intern (#119360)**

*Position Type:* Summer Internship, Winter/ January Term Internship, Fall/ Spring Internship

*Desired Persons:* Freshmen, Sophomores, Juniors, Seniors; all majors

*Description:* The mission of A Wider Circle is simple: to end poverty for one individual and one

family after another. We work in partnership with those we serve and with those seeking to help to ensure that every child and adult has the chance to succeed and the opportunity to live well.

*Duties:* Whether helping local families pick out beds and dressers, providing managerial support, or creating a flyer for a fundraiser, interns are crucial to the work here. Interns can focus either on Direct Services or Research and Writing.

*Qualifications:* Our main requirement for interns is a passion to serve people and a belief that your work can make a difference in the lives of others. All internships are unpaid.

For more information, please visit [awidercircle.org/jobs/internships](http://awidercircle.org/jobs/internships)

**The Family Tree, Position #12839** on Careers4Terps

*Position Type:* Internship -- Fall or Spring Part-Time, Summer

*Location:* Baltimore, Maryland; Landover, Maryland

*Desired Persons:* Freshman, Sophomore, Junior, Senior, Grad, Alumnus/a

*Description:* Provide support for The Family Tree staff and programs by performing outreach in the community to increase awareness of the issue of child abuse and neglect and to create awareness of The Family Tree prevention programs.

*Duties:*

Represent The Family Tree at schools, head starts, and other community organizations to create awareness of The Family Tree programs s Represent the agency at community fairs to recruit volunteers and create awareness of The Family Tree programs s Make phone calls to update information and set up opportunities to do outreach s Assist with accreditation process for Family HelpLine s Assist with developing and mentoring HelpLine Responders s Complete program statistical and progress reports as required s Maintain a data base for outreach activities s Provide support to the Community Services Department as assigned s Provide backup administrative support as required for other program departments

*Qualifications:*

Willingness to learn about issue of child abuse and neglect S Available to go into the community to speak at schools, head start programs, community groups, churches, etc. S Ability to represent the agency at community fairs S Dependable, reliable, able to keep commitments

**RAINN (Rape, Abuse & Incest National Network), Position #120595** on Careers4Terps

*Position:* Internship -- Fall or Spring Part-Time

*Location:* Washington, D.C.

*Desired Persons:* Freshman, Sophomore, Junior, Senior, Grad, Alumnus/a

*Description:* RAINN (Rape, Abuse & Incest National Network) has internship openings for students interested in strengthening and using skills related to direct social services and crisis intervention. Online hotline interns provide support to visitors on the National Sexual Assault Hotline at [online.rainn.org](http://online.rainn.org). The Online Hotline provides live, secure, anonymous, instant message-style crisis support to people who prefer communicating via the Internet -- - giving those affected by sexual assault a safe and supportive place to turn.

The online hotline internship requires that interns staff the online hotline 12-18 hours per week; approximately 80% of their total weekly internship hours. Interns will develop their crisis intervention skill set by going through RAINN's 50-hour sexual assault training so they are equipped to serve the needs of survivors accessing the Online Hotline.

*Duties:*

Answer crisis calls via an online chat platform s Provide appropriate support using best practices in crisis intervention and victim support including safety planning, brainstorming, and listening skills, to provide compassionate support to online hotline users s Complete 50 hours of Crisis Intervention Training s Work collaboratively with hotline supervisors s Remain supportive, compassionate, non-judgmental and engaged with visitors s Attend one online in-service/month s Attend additional trainings offered by RAINN (as necessary) s Stay up-to-date on Online Hotline news and announcements, such as updated referral resources s Participate in data collection by completing at least one session survey per shift s Work on research and administrative tasks relative to the Online Hotline s Work at least one 3-hour evening shift on the Online Hotline per week.

*Qualifications:*

Able to work some nights and/or weekends from home s Exceptional communication skills both verbal & written s Computer proficiency to include instant messaging- must be able to pass a typing test with minimum of 35 wpm with accuracy s Complete a criminal background check (at no cost to you, provided by RAINN) s Must be comfortable discussing issues surrounding sexual violence s Ability to work well under pressure and maintain composure during stressful situations s Resiliently positive and energetic attitude, with the ability to successfully work on a team and independently;

**Additional Internships**

**Research on LGBT communities, The National Archives (NARA)**

- **NARA** needs an intern to help make their records relating to LGBT communities more accessible by conducting research, describing materials, scanning these resources, writing blog posts about the collection, and providing content for the NARA website. Much of the material is located at the College Park, Md. facility but there will also be projects at the downtown D.C. office.
- Applicants must be able to work both independently and collaboratively, understand historical methods, have excellent interpersonal skills, have strong writing skills, and have strong organizational skills.
- Internship Work Schedule: Flexible
- How to Apply: Submit a cover letter, resume, two letters of recommendation, and a college transcript (does not need to be official) to:

Internship Coordinator, Diversity and Inclusion Office  
Room 1331  
National Archives at College Park  
8601 Adelphi Road  
College Park, MD 20740-6001

- Deadline to Apply: September 30, 2015

**National Museum of American History Spring Internships**

Internships available for all majors. Internships available in all departments: curatorial affairs, conservators, collection managers, exhibition design, graphic production, public programs (Daily, Latino History & African American History), development, special events, Office of

Communications and Marketing. Deadline to apply is October 15, 2015. For more details about the departments at the Smithsonian: <http://americanhistory.si.edu/about/departments>. For more information about how to apply: <http://americanhistory.si.edu/getinvolved/internship>

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## Stay Connected



## Quote of the Week

*"How shall we ever make the world intelligent of our movement? I do not think that the answer lies in trying to render feminism easy, popular, and instantly gratifying. To conjure with the passive culture and adapt to its rules is to degrade and deny the fullness of our meaning and intention."*

**ADRIENNE RICH, *On Lies, Secrets, and Silences***

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