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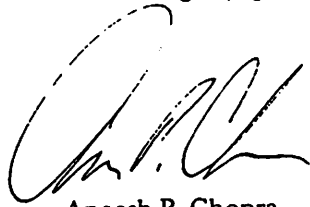
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WHO AM I? THE CHANGING ROLE OF SEXUALITY IN AMERICA  
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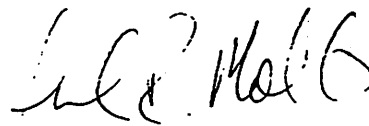
Established in 1967, the Milton S. Eisenhower Symposium is an annual lecture series, free and open to the public, organized entirely by undergraduates at The Johns Hopkins University. The goal of the symposium is to present an issue of national importance to the Hopkins, as well as the Baltimore community. This year's symposium, "Who Am I? The Changing Role of Sexuality in America," unites a timely and intriguing topic with a vehicle for intellectual discourse.

In the last year, issues regarding sexuality rose to the forefront of national concerns. Women made significant gains in Congress during the last election. Two states voted on referenda which declared homosexuality a mental defect. AIDS has transformed the world's view on sexuality, focusing on the safety of private acts and deciding how many partners one should have, if any. President Clinton has wrestled with the issue of homosexuals serving in the military, while two United States senators were investigated for charges of sexual harassment. Recently, a woman in Virginia lost custody of her child because a judge ruled her homosexual behavior left her an unfit mother. Clearly, America is entering an era of heightened sexual awareness. Thus, it would seem that the timeliness of this symposium cannot be disputed.

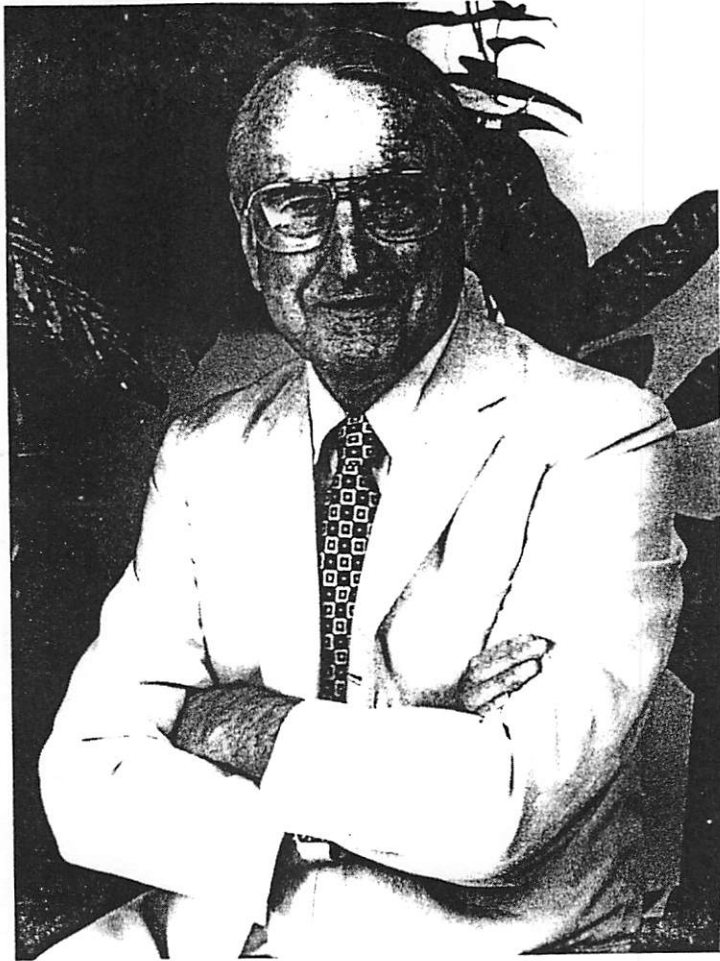
This year's symposium will challenge participants to examine new points of view. Few issues elicit the passion which those involving issues of sexuality do. It is our hope that the symposium acts as a springboard for a broader discussion of the issues surrounding sexuality. Topics such as gay rights, women's rights, AIDS policy, and abortion currently divide our society. It would be naive to believe that in a few short weeks resolutions to any of these debates could be found. However, we hope that the symposium marks a waypoint on the long voyage toward resolution of these issues.



Aneesh P. Chopra



Joseph R. Molko



*For his endless support and assistance,  
as well as his intelligence, charm, wit, and friendship,  
the 1993 Milton S. Eisenhower Symposium is  
dedicated to Dr. John Money.*



Thursday, September 23, 8 p.m.  
Shriver Hall

Dr. Roger Gorski

### **Who Am I? A Genetic or Biological Basis for Sexuality**

Dr. Roger Gorski will discuss his recent studies including his search for the origins of sexual orientation. His presentation will include recently uncovered evidence, in an attempt to draw a conclusion from the debate over the determinants of sexuality.

Dr. Gorski received his undergraduate degree and a master's degree in physiology from the University of Illinois. He continued his education at the University of California, Los Angeles, where he received his doctorate in anatomy in 1962. Dr. Gorski has spent the past 30 years at UCLA and has served as director of the Department of Anatomy as well as director of the UCLA Population Research Center. He is now director of the Laboratory of Neuroendocrinology of the Brain Research Institute at the UCLA School of Medicine. In addition, he just completed a one-year project as a visiting scientist at the National Institutes of Health.



Tuesday, September 28, 8 p.m.  
Shriver Hall

Camille Paglia

### The Question of Sex

Camille Paglia will examine the myriad questions surrounding gender roles, sexual preference, and gender identity. In addition, she will explore societies' concept of beauty and its implications for mass media and pop culture.

Her works include:

- *Sexual Personae* (1990)
- *Sex, Art, and American Culture* (1993)

Since the publication of *Sexual Personae*, Camille Paglia has been not only the talk of intellectual circles throughout the United States, but a center of attention for pop culture. As professor of humanities at the University of the Arts in Philadelphia, Ms. Paglia has expressed her views on issues ranging from date rape to Anita Hill, from Madonna to reforming the humanities curriculum in universities nationwide. Her brand of "guerilla scholarship" has led to appearances on "The Donahue Show" and "60 Minutes," as well as interviews on PBS, CNN, and MTV. Her controversial views have led to her being shunned by both conservatives and liberals, while solidifying her position as a provocative scholar.



Friday, October 8, 8 p.m.  
Shriver Hall

Angela Y. Davis

### **Race and Sexuality**

Angela Davis will focus on the issues regarding race and sexuality including myths, stereotypes, taboos, and interracial relationships. In addition, Ms. Davis will address the issues facing minority women today.

Her works include:

- *If They Come in the Morning* (1971)
- *Angela Davis: An Autobiography* (1974)
- *Women, Race and Class* (1982)
- *Women, Culture and Politics* (1988)
- *Ma Rainey, Bessie Smith and Billie Holiday: Black Women's Music and the Shaping of Social Consciousness* (forthcoming)

Placed on the FBI's 10 most wanted list in 1970 and subject of an intense manhunt, Angela Davis is one of this nation's most famous political activists. She was thrust into national attention in 1969 when she was removed from her post in the Philosophy Department at UCLA because of her membership in the Communist Party, USA, which ultimately led to her own imprisonment in 1970. A massive "Free Angela" campaign was mounted, and Ms. Davis was acquitted in 1972. Out of this campaign emerged the National Alliance Against Racist and Political Repression, an organization co-founded by Angela Davis and with which she continues to work. Former Governor Ronald Reagan once said that Angela Davis would never teach in the California University System. She is now professor of history of consciousness at the University of California, Santa Cruz.



Wednesday, October 13, 8 p.m.  
Shriver Hall

Dr. Ralph E. Reed, Jr.

### **Censorship and Government Funding for the Arts**

Dr. Ralph Reed will explore the growing controversy over the use of government funds to sponsor artists in their endeavors. In addition, Dr. Reed will examine the topic of censorship and its implications in our society.

One of the rising leaders of the "Religious Right," Ralph Reed has risen to prominence at a young age as executive director of the Christian Coalition. The Christian Coalition was founded by the Reverend Pat Robertson following his 1988 presidential campaign to help Christians have an effect on the political process. Under Dr. Reed's leadership, the Christian Coalition has grown to 200,000 members in more than 500 local chapters nationwide. Before he joined the Christian Coalition as executive director, Dr. Reed served as executive director of the College Republican National Committee and was the founder and executive director of Students for America (SFA). At SFA, he built a network of 10,000 conservative college students on 200 campuses in 41 states. In addition, Dr. Reed has appeared on CNN's "Crossfire" as well as in the *New York Times* and the *Washington Post* as an outspoken leader of the "Religious Right."



Tuesday, October 19, 8 p.m.  
Shriver Hall

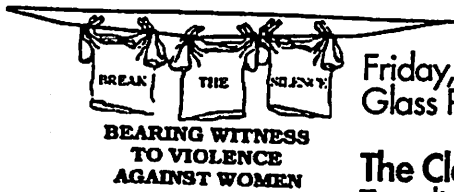
Patricia Ireland

## Women in Society

1992 was deemed by many to be the year of the woman, as women rose to prominence in government as well as in the workplace. Patricia Ireland will discuss the challenges facing the feminist movement into the next century as well as the role of women in American society today.

Patricia Ireland has served as president of the National Organization for Women since 1991. As president, she has spearheaded action programs which have kept NOW at the forefront of the feminist movement. As an activist attorney, Ireland fights for women's rights in the courts as well as the streets. Ireland developed and directed NOW's Project Stand Up for Women, an action campaign to defend women's rights against anti-abortion extremists. In addition, Ireland organized attorneys to fight right-wing nominations to the Supreme Court and researched their records for NOW's factsheets and Senate testimony. Ireland has expanded feminist leadership by creating skills development and training programs for NOW. This major program is designed to strengthen chapter and state leaders, include and involve new activists, and raise the consciousness of new abortion-rights activists on the entire feminist agenda.





Friday, October 22, 10 a.m. - 5 p.m.  
Glass Pavilion

## **The Clothesline Project** Traveling Exhibit on Display

The Clothesline Project is a display aimed at reversing the harmful effects of violence. Women who have been victimized by violence, assault, rape, incest, or child abuse send shirts to be included in the project. Each shirt is personalized with a message and displayed on clotheslines. On each shirt a woman's story is told in public while providing safety for the individual through maintaining as much anonymity as they personally need.

At the display music is incorporated in order to demonstrate the extent of violence against women. A gong is sounds every 10 seconds for a woman being battered in the United States, a whistle blows every 3 minutes for a woman being raped and a bell tolls every 15 minutes for a woman being killed.

The purpose of the Clothesline Project is threefold. It first serves to bear witness to survivors as well as the victims of violence against women. The Project aims to raise society's awareness to the extent of this problem. Second, the Project serves to connect women around the country and around the world. Finally, the organizers of the Project hope to aid in the healing process for people who have lost a loved one or who are survivors of violence. This event is co-sponsored by the Johns Hopkins University Office of Residential Life.



Monday, October 25, 7 p.m.  
Glass Pavilion

### **Sexual Relations in the Greek System Town Hall Meeting**

The first of two town hall meetings, this event is co-sponsored by the Johns Hopkins University Inter-Fraternity Council, and will focus on the current state of Hopkins' fraternities and sororities and their handling of sexual issues.

Fraternities have come under attack over issues including sexual harassment, date rape, and other sexual assaults. This town hall meeting will begin a dialogue among members of the Hopkins community to increase awareness and to dispel myths.

The format for this meeting will include a representative from each fraternity and sorority on a panel. Each member will have an opportunity to share some remarks, followed by questions from the audience.



Tuesday, October 26, 8 p.m.  
Shriver Hall

Jim Petersen

### **The Role of the Sexual Frontier in America**

Over the last century, the "sexual frontier" in America has been in a constant state of flux as society's tastes have swung on a pendulum between conservative and liberal views of sexuality. Jim Petersen will address the changing attitudes society has held about sexuality while putting such attitudes in a historical context. In addition, Mr. Petersen will recount his experience from serving for over two decades as the "Playboy Adviser."

Jim Petersen has worked for Playboy Enterprises, as both a writer and an editor, for over 20 years. As the "Playboy Adviser," Mr. Petersen sorts through thousands of letters each month sent to the magazine on topics ranging from fashion, food and drink, stereos, and sports cars to dating dilemmas, taste, and etiquette. However, most letters request advice about sex. In addition, Mr. Petersen serves as editor of the Forum section of the magazine, a section that features articles dealing with sexual politics, First Amendment issues, and current events.



Wednesday, November 3, noon - 10 p.m.  
Great Hall

### **Art Exhibition**

Local artists' and art students' work on topics related to sexuality will be displayed.

The word "AIDS" is written in a large, bold, white, sans-serif font. The letters are set against a solid black rectangular background.

Tuesday, November 9, 2 p.m.  
Shriver Hall

### **AIDS Policy Town Hall Meeting**

No discussion of sexuality would be complete without addressing the topic of AIDS. This event will attempt to assess the role of government in our nation's struggle with AIDS. Kristine Gebbie, the current national AIDS policy coordinator for President Clinton, will examine what the current administration is doing to fight AIDS, as well as what the administration hopes to accomplish in the future. Dr. Gebbie will then respond to questions from a panel of AIDS activists, researchers, and physicians. The audience will be given the opportunity to ask questions as well.



Monday, November 15, 8 p.m.  
Shriver Hall

Dr. Ruth Westheimer

## Sex and the College Student

Dr. Ruth Westheimer will explore the issues regarding sex facing college students today. She will discuss her notion of "good sex," as well as the implications of safe sex on college students today.

Her works include:

- *Dr. Ruth's Guide to Good Sex*
- *First Love*
- *Dr. Ruth's Guide for Married Lovers*
- *Sex and Morality: Who is Teaching Our Sex Standards?*
- *Dr. Ruth's Guide to Erotic and Sensuous Pleasures*
- *Dr. Ruth's Guide to Safer Sex*

Dr. Ruth received a doctorate in education (Ed.D) in the interdisciplinary study of the family from Columbia University and continued her study of human sexuality at the New York Hospital-Cornell University Medical Center, where she later taught as an adjunct associate professor. She then pioneered the field of media psychology with her radio program, "Sexually Speaking," which premiered in 1980. She soon moved to local television and eventually hosted a national talk show on the Lifetime network, "The Dr. Ruth Show," as well as a syndicated show, "Ask Dr. Ruth," which gained a global following. In addition to her work at Cornell Medical Center, Dr. Ruth has taught at Lehman College, Brooklyn College, Adelphi University, Columbia University, and West Point. She is currently an adjunct associate professor at the New York University. She is a fellow of the New York Academy of Medicine and in addition to having her own private practice, Dr. Ruth leads regular seminars for residents and interns in pediatrics on adolescent sexuality at Brookdale Hospital in New York.



Thursday, November 18, 8 p.m.  
Shriver Hall

Dr. John Money

### **Honk If You Masturbate: How Safe Must Safe Sex Be?**

Dr. John Money will examine masturbation and its role in society today by first discussing it in a historical context, uncovering the historical significance of masturbation in different societies. Dr. Money will then address the role of masturbation in today's "safe sex" climate.

Director of the Psychohormonal Research Unit of the Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine and professor emeritus of medical psychology at Hopkins, Dr. Money received his doctorate in psychology from Harvard University. Dr. Money's work in the field of human sexuality has brought him worldwide recognition. He is credited for adding new, important terms to the English language including "lovemap" and "gender identity." Dr. Money is regarded as today's most original theoretical voice in sexology. He is best known for his pioneering work with transsexual surgery at the Gender Identity Clinic at Johns Hopkins. Dr. Money is currently studying aberrant sexual behavior, specifically when it involves problems stemming from abnormal genitalia or hormone production.

His works include:

- *Vandalized Lovemaps: Paraphilic Outcome of Seven Cases in Pediatric Sexology*
- *The Breathless Orgasm: A Lovemap Biography of Asphyxiophilia*
- *Venuses Penuses: Sexology, Sexosophy, and Exigency Theory*
- *The Destroying Angel: Sex, Fitness, and Food in the Legacy of Degeneracy Theory, Graham Crackers, Kellogg's Corn Flakes, and American Health History*



Tuesday, November 30, 8 p.m.  
Shriver Hall

John Waters

## Sex and Film

John Waters will explore the realm of shock value, specifically as it applies to topics related to sex in his films. In addition, he will discuss his notion of "trashiness," as well as his crackpot obsessions.

His films include:

- *Mondo Trasho* (1969)
- *Pink Flamingos* (1972)
- *Desperate Living* (1977)
- *Polyester* (1981)
- *Hairspray* (1988)
- *Cry Baby* (1990)

His books include:

- *Shock Value* (1981)
- *Crackpot: The Obsessions of John Waters* (1986)
- *Trash Trio* (1990)

Considered to be the master of "good bad taste," John Waters has made a career of making films which, by his own admission, are disgusting and shocking. His movies, all filmed in his hometown of Baltimore, have gained recognition at the Cannes Film Festival, Rio De Janeiro Film Festival and Reykjavik Film Festival. In addition, the Baltimore native's films were paid homage in a retrospective at the Cinémathèque Française in 1984. In addition to filmmaking, Waters has published numerous essays about pop culture in *Rolling Stone* and *National Lampoon*. Many were later published in collections of his works. He has appeared on "Late Night" with David Letterman and has spoken extensively on college campuses.



## **Twenty-Seven Years of Symposia**

- 1967 Urban Crisis
- 1968 Latin American Revolution
- 1969 Nuclear Arms Race
- 1970 The United States in the 1970s: Perspectives on Violence
- 1971 The United States and the Soviet Union: The Dilemmas of Power
- 1972 Creativity: The Moving Force of Society
- 1973 Living with Change
- 1974 New Perspectives on Human Sexuality
- 1975 The Pen as the Sword
- 1976 The Question of Freedom
- 1977 Television and Society
- 1978 Retrospective 1978
- 1979 Direction of Technology: Choosing Tomorrow
- 1980 Crisis of the American Spirit: An Evaluation of Our Times
- 1981 America and the Immigrant Experience
- 1982 Directions in American Media: A Look to Tomorrow
- 1983 The Dynamics in Foreign Policy: Is the U.S. Compromising a Delicate Balance?
- 1984 Terrorism: Implications for a Free Society
- 1985 Arms Control: Strategy and Diplomacy
- 1986 Religion and Politics: The Separation of Church and State
- 1987 The Role of American Media
- 1988 Debt and Deficit: What Price for the Future
- 1989 Education on the Edge: The Crisis of the American University
- 1990 Dreams Deferred: Perspectives on Race Relations
- 1991 The Imprisonment of Ideas: The First Amendment in Crisis
- 1992 America in Decline: Crisis or Illusion?

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