

A detailed purple floral illustration in a sketch-like style, featuring various flowers and leaves. The flowers have five petals and prominent centers. The leaves are elongated and pointed. The illustration is framed by a thin purple border.

# TRANSFORMING OUR SOCIAL WORLD:

## RADICAL PRACTICES OF WORLD BUILDING & DESTRUCTION

Feminist Institute of Social Transformation

Thursday March 23, 2023  
9:00 AM - 6:15 PM

Dunton Tower Conference Room  
DT2017

9:00 - 9:30 Coffee and Socialization

9:30 - 9:45 Opening Remarks

**Dr. Amita Hari**, Director and Associate Professor at the  
Feminist Institute of Social Transformation

Prisons, Borders and Policing  
Moderated by Jessica McCarthy

10:00 - 10:15 Is it time to abolish youth incarceration in Canada?

**Elizabeth Venczel**

10:15 - 10:30 The Continued Criminalization of Unauthorized Migrants

**Nadeea Rahim**

10:30 - 10:45 Queering Bare Life: Wayward Practices of Hope, Joy and  
Care Among Internally Displaced Persons in Southern  
Philippines

**Romeo Joe Quintero**

10:45 - 11:00 Discussion

11:00 - 11:15 Break

Mutual Aid and Community Care  
Moderated by Janessa Ladouceur

11:15 - 11:30 "Neighbours don't love neighbours with expired cans of  
soup": Mutual aid and the affective politics of survival

**Élisabeth Bruins**

11:30 - 11:45 Selling Sensibility: Reflections on my Summer in Care Work  
and Disability Justice

**Elena Goldak**

11:45 - 12:00 Utopias from Ipanema: Rethinking Radical Municipal Politics  
and Informality Through Rio de Janeiro's Favelas

**Rachael Malott**

12:00 - 12:15 Discussion

12:15 - 1:00 Lunch

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Uncaging the Body: Decolonial Approaches to Wellness and Health(care)  
*Moderated by Lauren Mundt*

1:00 - 1:15 Ongoing Colonialism in Ontario's Health Care System: The Case of Midwifery  
**Faith Stadnyk**

1:15 - 1:30 Lunar Learning: Decolonizing Menstruation  
**Catherine Littlefield, Jennifer San, Julia Sterling**

1:30 - 1:45 The Holy and Unholy Ghosts of Birthwork: Re-imagining Ways of Knowing, Being, and Working Using Storytelling, Oral History, and Archives Hauntologically  
**Sarah Samba Mayangi**

1:45 - 2:00 "But Mommy it's My Brain That Hurts"  
**Sienna Ierullo-Gerrior**

2:00 - 2:20 *Discussion*

2:20 - 2:30 *Break*

The Beyond: Building Livable Worlds  
*Moderated by Tatiana Peláez Vanegas*

2:30 - 2:45 A Queer(Baited) Nation: Queerbaiting and the Re-Emergence of "Outing" as a Tactic of Neoliberal and Colonial Identity Politics  
**Rachel Kashul**

2:45 - 3:00 Détruire les foyers, arracher les portes, collectiviser le bonheur: abolir la famille  
**Mo Cabarat**

3:00 - 3:15 Relationality: The Foundation of Transformative Social Change  
**Judy El-Mohtadi, Jamal Koulmiye-Boyce**

3:15 - 3:30 *Discussion*

3:30 - 3:45 *Break*

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Abolition as a Cultural Project  
*Moderated by Marie-Lise Drapeau-Bisson*

3:45 - 4:00 Empires of the Everyday: World Building Through Poetry  
**Anna Lee-Popham**

4:00 - 4:15 "Because of Their Own Fears, They Want to Erase Us":  
Analyzing TV's First Transgender Superhero  
**Dylan Freitag**

4:15 - 4:30 The Unintentional Artwork of the Empty Plinth  
**Sarah Mihychuk**

4:30 - 4:45 *Discussion*

4:45 - 5:00 *Break*

Practicing Abolitionist Politics within the Confines of the State  
*Moderated by Marie-Lise Drapeau-Bisson*

5:00 - 5:15 Creating safe spaces defying structured racism and gender-  
based violence towards Arab-speaking women in the GTA  
**Noheir Elgendy**

5:15 - 5:30 Gendered Islamophobia: The case of the Afzaal family  
murder  
**Kawther Ramadan**

5:30 - 5:45 Prison Abolition, Legal Advocacy and Social Media:  
Strategies for Change  
**Lydia Dobson**

5:45 - 6:00 *Discussion*

6:00 - 6:15 *Closing Remarks*

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