## **Brought to you by the Feminist and Gender Studies Program**

## Check out Alanna Jackson's zine on wellness!

## collectively treading water

a zine based on interviews with nonprofit workers who identify as queer evaluating their own (un)wellness



## systems of power that make us sick

nonprofit industrial complex

efforts to funnel radical grassroots organizing efforts into tightly confined and controlled organizations (nonprofits) that adhere to the values of the state and of neoliberalism; defunding the left through regulating social justice work and its funding.

ideology and lived-in system that depends on the exploitation of labor and bodies in order to ensure wealth accumulation for those in power, often the white cis-males who own property

ideology that proposes that white people are "superior" and should dominate all levels of society, leading to the harm, violence, and murder of people of color, specially Black folks





the world makes us sick. and then tells us it is our fault ...



it is ok to hurt. me must allow ourselves to hurt, to trace the losses, the heartbreak, the death.



We must allow ourselves to be whole people, brokenness.



# **Upcoming Events:**

### Dialogue in the Americas: Race, Gender, Sexuality, & Art



I AIN'T YOUR BIXA PRETA Fri. 3/10, 1:30 PM Join us for a partial screening of Tongues United by Pretas, a performance by Coletivo Afrobapho, & the artistic concept of "monstra" by Malayka SN

TRANS BODIES AND SOCIAL CONSTRUCTION

You are invited to a screening of the documentary

Bombadeiras by Luís Carlos de Alencar, contrasted with the documentary Paris is Burning by Jennie Livingston



**BLACK-TRANS-FEMINISM AND "ARTVISM"** Fri. 3/17, 2:00 PM

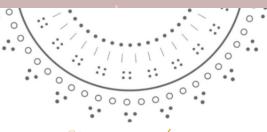
Come for a conversation circle with Bia Mathieu, an Afro-Brazilian transwoman, journalist, and drag queen to discuss "Salvador's travesti scene".

The Interdisciplinary House

ermediator: Visiting Professor Feva Omo Iyanu March 10th, 15th, & 17th

All events will involve a follow-up group conversation

Build a dialogue between Brazilian and American cultures through art in order to understand the similarities that connect LGBTQIA+ communities while analyzing race, gender, & sexuality



You are invited to:

THE FEMINIST AND GENDER STUDIES

END OF THE YEAR RECEPTION

AT THE KRESGE LECTURE HALL IN THE TUTT SCIENCE CENTER (ROOM 122)

Our four graduating seniors are: Amanda Bradley, Pardes Lyons-Warren, Grace Tumavicus, and Mar Wilson

MAY 10TH, 2023 | 3:00-5:00 P.M.

IN THE TUTT SCIENCE ATRIUM





email b boynton@coloradocollege.edu with any questions

# **Poetry Corner:**

eat your berries! by paige kahle

existing in a sticky storm not honey, nor maple sap

grabbing onto every roll of the days meant to be spent picking fresh berries, rolling down hillsides

> every pound strangled in grubby fingers

do not transfer this stick onto me or the people i love or the people i don't

allow us to exist to hold and behold the wonder that comes attached



Warped and mangled by their Their screams Their love and laughter Loosened, liberated, and grounded with every tug **Every hum moistens our bodies Embracing commitment** To ourselves, our first home We build confidence To others, our second home Belonging Wrap by wrap I am flowering Hugging my hips they support me While I birth my home A home of healing Of connection Another tug **Another wrap** 

Warmth entering my body They hum while I scream While I cry While I laugh Birthing the essence of love Safe. secure Tonantzintlalli births with me New life, new homes new understandings birth is not gendered, but rather a communal act where different essences, different spirits give birth together A final embrace A final tug A final wrap

they kiss and massage every crevice tasting the water flowing through my spirit

keeping us, the collective Nourished

we grow dependent deep breaths making the trees, the flowers, the plantitas dance and tremble the humming grows louder each vibration convulsing our glowing and brightened the sun flirts with our brown giving me, giving us strength we cry we laugh we scream we love now we are birthed.



**PUBLIC PLAYLIST** 

a friendly suggestion



