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CENTER for
WOMEN'S
& **GENDER**
STUDIES

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Cover photos: Deborah Hay Performance and Symposium (April 20010)

STUDENT AND ACADEMIC NEWS

ENROLLMENT

- Undergraduate Majors - 50
- Master's Program - 20
- Portfolio Program - 60

GRADUATES

- 25 Undergraduates received their
- 11 Masters Students received their
- 1 student graduated with a dual

ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

CWGS started an Alumni Association in an attempt to stay connected with our ever-growing number of graduates. This will strengthen not only individual relationships but the WGS Program as well.



WGS Class of 2010

HONORS SOCIETY

The University of Texas, CWGS, now has an active chapter of the Women's and Gender Studies national honor society, Iota Iota Iota. Triota held its first meeting last spring. The society is open to students in WGS or any student with a strong interest in women's and gender studies that meet the academic standards.

EVENTS

- Faculty Development Fellows presented 12 lectures throughout the year.
- Sponsored or co-sponsored 10 film screenings throughout the year
- Sponsored or co-sponsored 3 book presentations
- Sponsored or co-sponsored 15 talks or lectures from UT and the community
- Conferences/Symposia that CWGS participated in, sponsored, or co-sponsored:

- 17th Annual Graduate Student Conference (CWGS)
- Rejecting Violence, Imagining Alternatives – A
- Series of Community Conversations (Texas After Violence Project)
- Abriendo Brecha VII Seventh Annual Activist Scholarship Conference (DDCE)
- B.J. Fernea Conference/Past CWGS Director's Panel (CMAS)
- 2nd National Psychotherapy with Men Conference (Ed. Psychology)
- 3rd Annual World AIDS Day Conference (Rapoport Center)
- Republics of Fear: Understanding Endemic Violence in Latin America Today (LLILAS)



Past and Present CWGS Directors at the B.J. Fernea Panel

- 30th Annual Institute of Latin America Studies
- Student Association Conference on Latin America (LLILAS)
- Act Local Think Global Conference (GLC)
- 10th Annual African History Conference on “Women, Gender, and Sexualities in Africa” (Graduate Africanist Organization)
- 2nd Annual Spring Alumni Symposium (American Studies)
- Feminist Action Project (GSC)
- Conference on Haiti (Global Health Project)
- Human Rights Symposium (Hillel/White Rose Society)
- Interdisciplinary Nineteenth-Century Studies conference (French and Comparative Literature)
- 18th Annual Spanish and Portuguese Colloquium (Spanish/Portuguese)
- Pride and Equity Faculty Staff Association (WGS/LGBTQ Research Cluster)
- International Workshop “Women’s Autobiography in Islamic Studies: Defining the Genre” (South Asia Institute)



Director Susan Heinzelman and cast members of the Soweto Gospel Choir



2010 Explore UT

CWGS FACULTY AND STUDENT SUPPORT EVENTS

- CWGS Planning Retreat (Sept.)
- Promotion and Tenure Panel (April)
- Staff Retreat (May)
- CAB Meetings (Fall and Spring)
- Steering Committee (Fall and Spring)
- Executive Committee (Spring)
- LGBTQ/Sexualities Research Cluster Professional
- Donation to Black Queer Studies collection (UT Libraries)
- CWGS Holiday and Spring Reception (Dec & April)

Skills Panel (February)

MAJOR COMMUNITY EVENTS

- Photograph Exhibit of Phyllis Finley’s work on Deborah Hay at the Fine Arts Library (March)
- Deborah Hay’s performance of No Time to Fly at the Long Center for the Performing Arts (April)
- An Uncanny Beauty: A Celebration of Deborah Hay. Symposium at the Blanton Museum of Art (April)
- Private reception with Soweto Gospel Choir (April)

GENERAL STUDENT COMMUNITY EVENTS

- Explore UT (March)
- Real Men Wear Pink (Sigma Lambda Beta)



Deborah Hay performing “No Time to Fly”

AWARDS

- The Undergraduate Cynthia Walker Peña Scholarship: Maggie Cheu, Jamie Doak
- The Lora Romero Memorial Award: Harmony L. Eichsteadt
- The Ellen Clarke Temple Graduate Award: Jennifer Lynn Kelly, Angela Howard Frederick
- The Dissertation Fellowship Award: Claudia C. Cervantes-Soon, Nandini Dhar
- The Lucia, John, and Melissa Gilbert Teaching Excellence Award: Dr. Ann Reynolds
- Contributor of the Year Award: Gloria Gonzalez-Lopez
- Travel awards: Sandra Poffinbarger, Jamie Doak, Margaret Cheu, Gretchen Abbott, Ganiva Reyes, Clariza Ruiz de Castilla, Nimra Chowdhry, Julie Bolanos

INSPIRE: EMPOWERING TEXAS WOMEN LEADERS (FORMERLY TULIP)

- Launched the program with 5 undergraduate women.
- Participated in retreat, improvisational classes, conferences, etc.
- The year-end reception, held at Cynthia Levinson's home

FUNDRAISING

Grants

Embrey Family Foundation awarded \$451,000 over 5 years for Women's Human Right's Initiative

Reynolds Foundation awarded 2nd installment of 3-year \$75,000 award

Fundraising

Launched the Jody Conradt Excellence Fund in Equity and Leadership

Working with UT's Foundations and Corporate Relations teams

Sent out letters for Tulip program funding (received donations totaling \$1,300)

Created the Jean Andrews Society

Proposals created for:

TULIP (INSPIRE: Empowering Texas Women Leaders)

CWGS Programming

Lecture Series "Forum on Women's Human Rights: Bridging City & University"

Sent:

18 Foundations received either proposals or Letters of Inquiry for TULIP (INSPIRE: Empowering Texas Women Leaders)

4 proposals were sent for Conspire Theatre's "Inside-Outside Project"

CURRENT AND FUTURE INITIATIVES AND GOALS

Embrey Grant

-New Course (Fall 2010) - Introduction to Women's and Gender Studies, Transnational Activism and Women's Human Rights.

-New Research Cluster on Women's Human Rights created

- Signature Course created
- After-school for high schools planned
- Website with WRI Program Guide created
- Women's Human Rights Conference 2012

NEW Leadership Development Network (Summer Institute)

Sexual Harassment Conference - Spring 2011

Dual Degree with the Law School

College Women's Caucus

Re-Branding of TULIP – now called INSPIRE: Empowering Texas Women Leaders

New (2nd) Cohort of TULIP began fall semester 2010 (now have 2 cohorts)

