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*The full detailed schedule is available online at the Women's Resources Center's website (www.go.illinois.edu/wrc) and Facebook.

MONDAY (Mar. 26th)

12pm Dish It Up Lunch + Lecture "Queer Aesthetics of the Political" @ the Women's Resources Center (703 S. Wright St. 2nd Floor, CH.) featuring Eric Stanley and Chris Vargas

7pm-9pm Hot Topics Double Screening: *Homotopia and Criminal Queers* | Two films by Eric Stanley and Chris Vargas @ University YMCA Murphy's Lounge (1001 S. Wright St. U.) *Refreshments provided | Parking on 6th and John St.

TUESDAY (Mar. 27th)

12pm Lunch at La Casa | "Forced Out: Linking Mass Incarceration and Immigration Policy" @ La Casa Cultural Latina (1203 W. Nevada St. U.) *Lunch is provided.

5pm Teach-In | "Building Education Programs in Prisons" @ The Women's Resources Center (703 S. Wright St. 2nd Fl. CH.) Members of the Education Justice Project and the Juvenile Justice Project speak education and incarceration.

7pm-9pm Captive Genders: The Trans Embodiment and the Prison Industrial Complex Readings and Talk-Back with Eric Stanley (UCSC), Chris Vargas, and Erica Meiners (NIU) @ Allen Hall's Main Lounge (1005 W. Gregory Drive Urbana, IL 61820) | *Free parking in garage across the street.

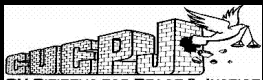
WEDNESDAY (Mar. 28th)

11:30am-1pm Captive Genders | Author's Informal Discussion @ GWS Seminar Room (911 S. Sixth St. U. 61801) | Sponsored by the GWS Queer Reading Group, REAP, and the Mix IT Up! Scholars

6pm Film Screening + Writer's Workshop | *Freedom Road* (35min) @ The Women's Resources Center (703 S. Wright St. 2nd Fl. CH.) A documentary of women prisoners gaining agency via authorship.

Women's Resources Center (WRC), in collaboration with:

LGBT Resource Center (LGBTRC), La Casa Cultural Latina (LCCL), Bruce D. Nesbitt African American Cultural Center (BNAACC), Education Justice Project (EJP), Graduate School of Library and Information Science (GSLIS), Juvenile Justice Project, Champaign Urbana Citizens for Peace and Justice (CUCPJ), Graduate Employees Organization (GEO), Radical Education for Autonomous Persons (REAP), Radical Librarians of the Independent Media Center, UP Center of Champaign County, Channing Murray Foundation, Social Action Committee of the UU Congregation, National Organization for Women-UIUC



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A three-day colloquium examining gender and the prison-industrial complex featuring activist-scholars, Erica Meiners (NIU), Eric Stanley (UCSD), and Chris Vargas and a variety of programs aimed to generate

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ERICA MEINERS

Erica R. Meiners, involved with a number of local social justice initiatives in Chicago, is the author of *Right to be hostile: Schools, prisons and the making of public enemies*. She is currently working collaboratively on a long-term study of undocumented youth, criminalization, and access to higher education and, with Therese Quinn, on how queer issues are used in the privatization of public education. She is an Associate Professor of Education and Women's Studies at Northeastern Illinois University and a coordinator and teacher at an alternative high school for formerly incarcerated men and women, St. Leonard's High School.



ERIC STANLEY

Eric a Stanley is a high school dropout turned PhD. student in the History of Consciousness program at UCSC. Under the direction of Donna Haraway and Angela Y. Davis, Eric is writing about trans/ queer violence, necrocapital, confinement, and visual culture. Along with Chris Vargas, Eric directed *Homotopia* (2006) and the sequel, *Criminal Queers* (2011). Eric is also the editor the first trans/queer prison studies anthology called *Captive Genders: Trans Embodiment and the Prison Industrial Complex*



CHRIS VARGAS

Chris E. Vargas is a queer-trans-feminist film-maker from Los Angeles, currently living in Oakland, CA. He has had his work screened extensively in queer, transgender, POC and feminist film festivals, galleries, and community spaces in the US and internationally. He is currently doing video and media work for Transforming Justice. Along with Greg Youmans, Chis collaborates on the queer relationship sitcom-satire *Falling In Love...* with Chris and Greg.