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The NCJW Women Studies Forum, Tel Aviv University  
And The Gay and Lesbian Studies and Queer Theory Caucus

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The Porter School of Cultural Studies, Tel Aviv University  
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Cordially invite you to:

"An Other Sex"  
The First Gay and Lesbian Studies and Queer Theory Conference in Israel  
Tel Aviv University, 1-2 May, 2001

Tuesday, May 1st  
Webb Bldg., room 01

18:00-20:00 – Opening Session  
Chair: Dr. Aeyal Gross, School of Law, Tel Aviv University

Greetings:  
Prof. Ariela Friedman, Chair, The NCJW Women Studies Forum, Tel Aviv University  
Dr. Anat Bilezky, Head, The Porter School of Cultural Studies, Tel Aviv University  
Amalia Ziv, on behalf of the Gay and Lesbian Studies and Queer Theory Caucus

Keynote Lecture:  
Prof. Mandy Merck, Department of Media Arts, Royal Holloway College, University of London  
"Sexuality, Subjectivity, and ... Economics?"

Wednesday, May 2nd  
Gilman bldg., room 496

11:00 – gathering + coffee

11:30-13:15 – First Session: Queer Representations / Queer Readings  
Chair: Dr. Alina Bernstein, Department of Film and Television, Tel Aviv University

Speakers:  
Itay Harlap, Department of Film and Television, Tel Aviv University  
"The Birth of the Straight Nation – The Bending of the Heterosexual Grand-Narrative in Popular Texts"  
Dr. Orly Lubin, Department of Poetics and Comparative Literature, Tel Aviv University  
"To Be or What to Be: the Women (and Men?) of Pnina Caspi"  
Gilad Padva, Department of Film and Television, Tel Aviv University,  
and Dr. Miri Talmon, The Open University  
"Sex, Lies and Eurovision Hits: The Politics of Camp in Fuchs and Ochovsky's 'Ba'al Ba'al Lev'"

13:15-13:45 - Coffee Break

13:45-15:15 – Second Session: Inside and Out  
Chair: Prof. Hanna Herzog, Department of Sociology and Anthropology, Tel Aviv University

Speakers:  
Dr. Yuval Yonay, Department of Sociology and Anthropology, Haifa University

“The Impossibility of Representation: A Queer Gaze at ‘Israeli Society’”

Prof. Alon Harel, Faculty of Law, Hebrew University

“The Rise and Fall of the Gay Constitutional Revolution”

Dr. Aeyal Gross, Faculty of Law, Tel Aviv University,

“Challenges to Compulsory Heterosexuality: Queer Readings in the Case-Law on Recognition of Same-Sex Couples”

15:15-16:15 – Lunch Break

16:15-17:45 – Third Session: Spaces of Identity

Chair: Dr. Meira Weiss, Department of Sociology and Anthropology, Hebrew University

Speakers:

Adi Kuntsman, Department of Sociology and Anthropology, Hebrew University

“From “In Russia there’s no Sex” to “Proud Israeli Lesbian”: ‘Russian’ lesbians in the Cross-Cultural Transition”

Hannah Ovnat, Department of English Literature, Hebrew University

“Sex and Gender On-Line: Lesbians in Cyber Space”

Amit Kama, Department of Communication, Tel Aviv University

“The Yearning for Normality: Gay Men Look in the Media-Mirror”

17:45-18:15 – Coffee Break

18:15-20:00 – Round Table: Queer Theory in the Local Arena

Chair: Dafna Hirsch, School of History, Tel Aviv University

Participants:

Dr. Michael Gluzman, Department of Hebrew Literature, Ben Gurion University

Amalia Ziv, Department of Poetics and Comparative Literature, Tel Aviv University

Hannah Safran, Women Studies Division, Haifa University

Danny Kaplan, Department of Behavioral Sciences, Ben Gurion University

Prof. Moshe Shokeid, Department of Sociology and Anthropology, Tel Aviv University

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