

Gender Exploratory Therapy Association
(GETA) presents



Ilene Philipson

Seminar

Gender Trouble, Authoritarianism, and the Flight from Womanhood

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Seminar Description:

Transgender ideology is founded in the rise of symbolic feminism heralded in Judith Butler's 1990 *Gender Trouble*. In this remarkably influential book, Butler decouples sex from gender and argues that gender is what a person *does*, not what she is. The goal of feminist politics then becomes *troubling* gender categories primarily through language and the manipulation of symbols. This postmodern sensibility has traveled from the campus to the public square where progressive politics are now focused almost exclusively on the celebration of identities rather than the real material conditions of people's lives. In part, because of this, trans activists have become the unwitting accomplices and accommodators to a neoliberal agenda. They turn a blind eye to the exploitation of their interests by corporations and elite professionals, and seem ignorant and uninterested in the rise of authoritarianism, not only in western democracies in general, but in their own movement as well.

About the Speaker:

Ilene Philipson holds doctorates in sociology, clinical psychology, and psychoanalysis. She is a training and supervising analyst at the Institute of Contemporary Psychoanalysis in Los Angeles, a faculty member at the San Francisco Center for Psychoanalysis, and is in the private practice of psychotherapy and psychoanalysis in Oakland, California. In addition to *On The Shoulders of Women: The Feminization of Psychotherapy* (Guilford), her books include *Married to The Job* (Simon & Schuster); *Ethel Rosenberg: Beyond the Myths* (Rutgers University Press); and *Women, Class, and the Feminist Imagination* (ed) (Temple University Press).

Participation available via Zoom Teleconferencing.

A ZOOM LINK WILL BE SENT TO THE EMAIL ADDRESS USED TO REGISTER
PRIOR TO THE SEMINAR

Date & Time: Sunday 23 April 2023 - 8.00 to 9.30 am - AEST (Sydney)
Saturday 22 April 2023 - 6.00 to 7.30 pm - EDT (New York)
Saturday 22 April 2023 - 3.00 to 4.30 pm - PDT (LA)

Venue: This seminar will be solely on Zoom

Cost: \$20.00 USD

Bookings: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/gender-trouble-authoritarianism-and-the-flight-from-womanhood-tickets-604849710767>