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## 100 YEARS OF WOMEN AT VIRGINIA TECH

Domestic Violence Awareness Month is a nationally recognized event that began in October 1987, alongside the launch of the first national toll-free hotline for victims and survivors. In 1989 Congress designated the month officially for the first time. During October, advocates, educators, survivors, and loved ones and community come together to raise awareness and learn more about domestic violence with the goal of ending abuse for all and for good. You can learn more about national campaign efforts and more through resources such as the [National Domestic Violence Hotline](#).

During October, the Women's Center at Virginia Tech works with interns and volunteers as well as various campus and community partners to educate our community about topics like supporting survivors, local resources, bystander intervention, healthy relationships, and more. We know that domestic and dating violence occurs in our communities and happens to college students.

**Domestic Violence Awareness Month Events**

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### Self-Care Series for Women of Color

Join us for the final session of this self-care



**SELF-CARE SERIES**  
*for* **WOMEN OF COLOR**  
**JOIN US ON ZOOM**

**SEPTEMBER 29TH**  
**Self-Care or**  
**Treat Yo' Self**  
**1:00pm - 2:00pm**  
Register at **bit.ly/3hSLAk0**

WOMEN'S CENTER  
AT VIRGINIA TECH

HOKIE WELLNESS  
AT VIRGINIA TECH

series. Hokie Wellness will be hosting a virtual session on Zoom to help you assess your current coping skills, develop school-life balance, and create a realistic self-care plan.

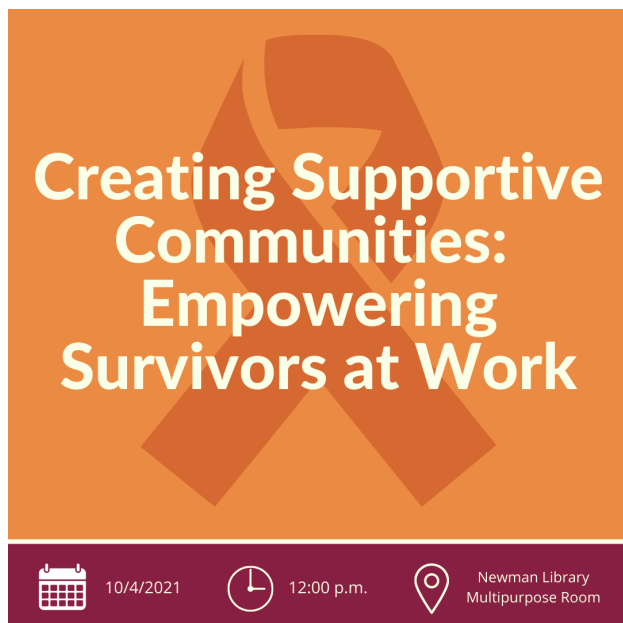
**Sept. 29 | 1PM | Zoom**  
Self-Care or Treat Yo' Self

[Register Here.](https://bit.ly/3hSLAk0)

## Creating Supportive Communities: Empowering Survivors at Work

Hokie Wellness, the Office for Equity and Accessibility, and the Women's Center are teaming up to bring important conversations to campus. We will discuss how we can all play a role in this important work will include talking through scenarios, answering questions, and sharing information and resources focused on how you can help if you are concerned that a friend or colleague is experiencing abuse.

Join us in Newman Library Multipurpose Room on Monday, October 4th at 12pm.



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10/4/2021 12:00 p.m. Newman Library Multipurpose Room

## From Hitchcock High to the NFL: I Am Michael Sam

Help us kick off LGBTQ+ History Month with Michael Sam, the first openly gay player to be drafted into the NFL. This virtual event will take place Tuesday, October 5th at 6pm EST.

Join us by using the following link:


<https://virginiatech.zoom.us/j/89316865776>

This event is co-sponsored by: Virginia Tech Athletics, College of Liberal Arts and Human Sciences, the Black Cultural Center, Women's and Gender Studies, the Women's Center, the Center for Peace Studies and

# FROM HITCHCOCK HIGH TO THE NFL: I AM MICHAEL SAM


*"I'm not afraid  
of who I am.  
I'm not afraid to  
tell the world  
who I am. I'm  
Michael Sam,  
I'm a college  
graduate, I'm  
African-American  
and I'm gay."*

OCTOBER 5TH  
@ 6PM EST  
VIA ZOOM



SCAN TO JOIN

If you are an individual with a disability and desire an accommodation, welcome! Please contact Dr. Bing at [anibingham@vt.edu](mailto:anibingham@vt.edu) or 540-231-8504 at least five business days prior to the event. Co-sponsored by: Virginia Tech Athletics, College of Liberal Arts and Human Sciences, the Black Cultural Center, Women's and Gender Studies, the Women's Center, the Center for Peace Studies and Violence Prevention, and the LGBTQ+ Resource Center.



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COMMUNITY CENTERS  
VIRGINIA TECH

Violence Prevention, and the LGBTQ+ Resource Center

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## Upcoming Events and Opportunities

# JUSTICE IN VIRGINIA

Gubernatorial candidate Princess Blanding joins Brandy Faulkner, Chris Sanchez, and Crystal Mello to discuss criminal justice, racial justice, climate justice, and the relationships between them.

6-7:30pm on September 29th, 2021 at the Lyric Theater in Blacksburg

Streaming at [fb.com/PeoplePowerVirginia](https://fb.com/PeoplePowerVirginia)



Sponsored by People Power Virginia



**HISPANIC/LATINX HERITAGE MONTH**

WEEK OF SEPT. 27TH - OCT. 5TH

**"NEW VOICES OF LATIN AMERICAN FICTION"**

Tuesday, Sept. 28th @ 5:00 PM  
Location: Zoom

**A CONVERSATION WITH CHUCHO VALDES**

Wednesday, Sept. 29th @ 12:20 PM  
Location: Moss Center

**COLLEGE OF SCIENCE COMMUNITY NIGHT**

Monday, Oct. 4th @ 5:30 PM  
Location: El Centro

**GRADUATE HISPANIC/LATINX CONNECT LUNCH**

Tuesday, Oct. 5th @ 12 PM  
Location: Owens Hall

For more details, you may visit  
[https://ccc.vt.edu/index/el\\_centro.html](https://ccc.vt.edu/index/el_centro.html)

**EL CENTRO**  
ADVANCING THE VIRGINIA TECH LATINX COMMUNITY

# CLOTHESLINE PROJECT

Survivors of violence -- and friends and families of victims -- create shirts emblazoned with direct messages and strong illustrations. The shirts demonstrate the pain and suffering of the survivors, aid in their healing process, and celebrate their strength and courage to overcome the past.



## Display

Tuesday, October 12  
College Avenue  
between Draper Road & Main Street  
9 to 5


## Workshops

October 11 to October 14  
Women's Center, 206 Washington Street  
9 to 4:30  
Share your story by creating a shirt  
(materials provided)

**END GENDER-BASED VIOLENCE!**

Sponsored by Montgomery County NOW,  
United Feminist Movement, Women's Center at Virginia Tech,  
and Women's Resource Center of the New River Valley





**▶ October 4<sup>th</sup>**  
**Q\*mmunity Support Group**  
 5:30pm EST in the LGBTQ+ RC

**LGBTQ+ DND Night**  
 7pm EST in the LGBTQ+ RC

**▶ October 5<sup>th</sup>**  
**From Hitchcock High to the NFL: I am Michael Sam** 6pm EST via Zoom  
 Co-sponsored by Virginia Tech Athletics, College of Liberal Arts and Human Sciences, the Black Cultural Center, Women's and Gender Studies, the Women's Center, the Center for Peace Studies and Violence Prevention, & LGBTQ+ Resource Center

**▶ October 7<sup>th</sup>**  
**Love It, Like It, or Leave It: Establishing Healthy Relationships & Spotting Red Flags**  
 7pm EST in the LGBTQ+ RC  
 Co-sponsored by the Women's Center and Hokie Wellness

**▶ October 8<sup>th</sup>**  
**Being Seen: The Impact of Trans Visibility with Meghan Buell**  
 2pm EST in Litton-Reaves 1670  
 Director of Transgender Resource, Education & Enrichment Services

**▶ October 9<sup>th</sup>**  
**Historical Walking Tour of Downtown Roanoke** 1pm EST at City Market in Roanoke  
 Tour stops may include Roanoke's late nineteenth-century red light district, places associated with the history of the gay night scene, and sites of conflict between local government, police, & LGBTQ+ community.

**▶ October 13<sup>th</sup>**  
**"Latinx" w/ JP Brammer** 6pm EST via Zoom  
 Author of *Hola Papi: How to Come Out in a Walmart Parking Lot and Other Life Lessons*  
 Co-sponsored by El Centro & LGBTQ+ RC

**No Place like Homecoming Drag Show** 7pm EST Squires Commonwealth Ballroom  
 Co-sponsored by Residence Hall Federation, LGBTQ+ RC, and Gender Inclusive Housing

**▶ October 18<sup>th</sup>**  
**Q\*mmunity Support Group**  
 5:30pm EST in the LGBTQ+ RC

**LGBTQ+ DND Night**  
 7pm EST in the LGBTQ+ RC

**▶ October 19<sup>th</sup>**  
**LGBTQ+ Resource Center Awareness Day** 11am-4pm EST in the LGBTQ+ RC  
 Free t-shirts, crafts, and more!

**▶ October 20<sup>th</sup>**  
**International Pronouns Day** 11am-4pm EST in the LGBTQ+ RC  
 Make your own pronoun bracelet or pin!  
 Co-sponsored by HokiePRIDE & LGBTQ+ RC

**▶ October 21<sup>st</sup>**  
**"Breathing Fire: Remembering Asian Pacific American Activism in Queer History" with Dr. Amy Sueyoshi**  
 6pm EST via Zoom  
 Co-sponsored by the Asian Cultural Engagement Center & LGBTQ+ RC

**▶ October 26<sup>th</sup>**  
**Asexual Possibilities with Angela Chen** 6pm EST via Zoom  
 Author of *Ace: What Asexuality Reveals About Desire, Society, and the Meaning of Sex*  
 Co-sponsored by Asian Cultural Engagement Center & LGBTQ+ RC

**▶ October 27<sup>th</sup>**  
**Lavender House LLC Interest Meeting** 6pm EST in the LGBTQ+ RC  
 Come and learn about VT's newest LGBTQ+ living-learning community!

If you are an "indivisible" with a disability and desire an accessible virtual event, please contact the organizing committee at 540-251-5050 at least five business days prior to any event.

**LGBTQ+ RESOURCE CENTER**

# THROUGH FEMINIST EYES

All session held in Fralin Auditorium from 7-8PM

9.21

Dr. Sarah Ovink and Gerlyn Murrell  
*University Diversity Projects and the  
Inclusivity Challenge*

10.13

Stephanie Ann Bontell  
*An ecology of ruins: non-presence, spatial  
trace, and belonging in gender-sensitive  
urban sustainable development*

Courtney Ross

*Being Present with the Words: Contemplative  
Reading as a Framework for the Women's and  
Gender Studies Classroom*

11.3

Anne Patrick  
*"Am I A Soy Boy?": Examining the  
Gendered and Political Meaning of the Soy  
Boy Discourse*

Sara Wenger  
*Synthetic Women: Reimagining Sex,  
Gender, and Consent through Humanoid  
Technologies*

Hosted by **Women's and Gender Studies  
Program** and the **Women's Center**

For more information visit, [womenscenter.vt.edu/tfe](https://womenscenter.vt.edu/tfe)



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