

ACS WOMEN'S AND GENDER STUDIES CONFERENCE

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The Personal is Still Political: Gendered Identities in the Twenty-First Century.

The Associated Colleges of the South and Rhodes College are pleased to announce the eighth annual ACS Women's and Gender Studies Conference. We invite students, faculty and staff of ACS schools, along with other scholars, to submit proposals for scholarly and creative presentations, including individual papers, panels, creative performances, artworks and poster exhibits.



KEYNOTE SPEAKER: ANGELA DAVIS

At a time when gendered, racial, sexual, and ethnic identities (to name a few) continue to occupy the media's attention and exercise enormous power over the public's imagination -- yet instances of sexism, racism, homophobia and xenophobia are treated as the "sins" of the unenlightened few -- our conference hopes to reinvigorate a conversation about the enduring structural and institutional effects of gender at the intersection of public and private life. The pervasiveness of gender's categories ensures the impossibility of separating one's personal identity from his or her social, cultural and political position. To be critically aware, therefore, we must address the role of gender in shaping both the public and the private spheres of our world at this moment.

Abstracts are due no later than Wednesday, November 26th for early submission and January 19 for regular submission. Please send them either electronically or by mail to:

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