

The Wolfe Institute

*The Ethyle R. Wolfe Institute for the Humanities,
in cooperation with the Shirley Chisholm Project of Brooklyn Women's Activism, the Office of the
President of Brooklyn College, the Women's Studies Program, and the Women's Center,
presents*

Be A Catalyst for Change: Shirley Chisholm's Lifelong Legacy



Thursday, March 29, 2012

9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Woody Tanger Auditorium

2:00 to 5:00 p.m.

**Gold Room, Brooklyn College Student Center
Campus Road and East 27th Street
Reception to follow in State Lounge**

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9:30 a.m.

Introduction and Greetings

Barbara Winslow, Director Shirley Chisholm Project of Brooklyn Women's Activism
Welcome and Greetings, **Karen Gould**, President Brooklyn College
Professor Namita Manohar, Coordinator Women's Studies Program
Professor Lynda Day, Endowed Chair in Women's Studies, Brooklyn College
Salute to **Shola Lynch**, documentary filmmaker *Chisholm 72: Unbought and Unbossed*
Keynote: **Beverly Guy-Sheftall**: Honoring our Black Foremothers
Chair: Professor Gunja Sengupta, Brooklyn College

11:15 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

Chisholm's Activist Legacy

Premilla Nadasen, Queens College, CUNY
Josh Guild, Princeton University, "Moderate or Militant? Shirley Chisholm in the Eyes of Her Beholders"
Brian Purnell, Bowdoin College, "'Give the People Light and They Will Find the Way:' Political Organizing in North Central Brooklyn, New York, 1948-1968"
Chair: Professor Prudence Cumberbatch, Brooklyn College

Lunch

12:30 - 2:00 p.m.

A tribute to Chisholm's legacy: honoring our present and future catalysts for change

Professor Martha Biondi, Northwestern University, Black Student Activism: Brooklyn College and Beyond
Chair: Professor Jocelyn Wills, Brooklyn College

The luncheon will honor Brooklyn College students who see themselves as catalysts for change through their involvement in social justice activism.

2:00 - 4:30 p.m.

Black Women's Activism

Barbara Ransby, associate professor, Department of History & the Department of African-American Studies, University of Illinois at Chicago, "Ella Baker and the Black Radical Tradition"
Julie Gallagher, Penn State University, Brandywine, "Shirley Chisholm's Political Foremothers: Black Women's Political Thought and Activism in twentieth century New York City"
Jeanne Theoharis, Brooklyn College, "'Quiet' and 'Not Angry': The Memorialization of Rosa Parks and the Civil Rights Movement"
Chair: Professor Kimberley Phillips, Dean School of Humanities and Social Sciences, Brooklyn College

5:00 p.m.

Substance and Image: The continuing work of gender, race and justice in contemporary media and politics

Chair: Professor Barbara Winslow, Director Shirley Chisholm Project of Brooklyn Women's Activism
Professor Melissa Harris-Perry, MSNBC analyst, *Nation* columnist, professor Tulane University

The Honorable Barbara Lee

Professor Harris-Perry and Representative Lee will engage in a wide ranging discussion about how gender and race continue to shape our political world and our media environment. The conversation will trace progress, analyze shortcomings, and suggest solutions for the continuing challenges of reaching gender and racial justice in contemporary America.

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