

**WGSS PRESENTS...**

**Speaker: Colin Johnson**

# **“Creature Comforts: Gender, Sexuality and Interspecies Solidarity”**



**January 28th  
BRNG 1245  
4:00 - 5:30 pm**

Professor Johnson will consider the history of companionate interspecies bonding as a queer form of solidarity forged between non-human and human “strays,” particularly those whose pronounced aversion to casual sociality marks them as dangerous, unmanageable or simply strange, and therefore surplus to their respective species populations. Part of larger project dealing with the history of anti-sociality in the United States and its relation to sexual normativity, the talk ultimately considers what interspecies intimacies reveal about the normativities that govern intraspecies relations as well.



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