

2012 Speaker Series calendar of events.

[Note: Events are added or updated as information becomes available.]

March 7. Sally Hemings and Thomas Jefferson: An American Origin Story, Interdisciplinarily Considered Series. "The Affairs of Race in America: A Conversation in Black and White," Julia Jefferson-Westerinen and Shay Banks-Young, descendants of Hemings and Jefferson, 7 p.m., Forum, Elaine Langone Center.

March 21. Sally Hemings and Thomas Jefferson: An American Origin Story, Interdisciplinarily Considered Series. "What Heritage Does and Does Not Do to Identity: The Case of Hemings and Jefferson," anthropologist Eric Gable, University of Mary Washington, 7 p.m., Forum, Elaine Langone Center. Gable will use material from his fieldwork in Indonesia, West Africa and Monticello, the historic home of Thomas Jefferson. This lecture is co-sponsored by the Department of Sociology and Anthropology and the Griot Institute for Africana Studies.

March 22. CSREG/Social Sciences Colloquium. "The Invisible Weight of Whiteness: The Racial Grammar of Everyday Life in Contemporary America," Eduardo Bonilla-Silva, professor of sociology, Duke University, 7 p.m., Forum, Elaine Langone Center. Sponsored by the Center for the Study of Race, Ethnicity and Gender/Social Sciences Colloquium Series, "Shades of Black and Brown."

March 28. Sally Hemings and Thomas Jefferson: An American Origin Story, Interdisciplinarily Considered Series. "Jefferson and Genetics: The DNA Tests," genealogist Helen F.M. Leary, 7 p.m. Forum, Elaine Langone Center. Leary will discuss the particulars of the Jefferson DNA tests with a focus on the interweaving of heritage, genetics and genealogy.

April 3. Bucknell Forum Series Creativity: Beyond the Box. "Creative Engagement: The Questions Science and Art Ask of Each Other" with world-renowned alumnus artist Mako Fujimura and Bucknell President John Bravman, who will discuss how technology and the arts intertwine, 7:30 p.m., Trout Auditorium, Vaughan Literature Building.

April 5. CSREG/Social Sciences Colloquium. "Blackness, Whiteness and Resistance to Racism in Brazil," Patricia de Santana Pinho, Latin American, Caribbean and U.S. Latino Studies, SUNY Albany, 7 p.m., Forum, Elaine Langone Center. Sponsored by the Center for the Study of Race, Ethnicity and Gender/Social Sciences Colloquium Series, "Shades of Black and Brown."

April 26. Nobel Peace Prize nominee Sheila Watt-Cloutier will give the spring Dombeck Lecture at 8 p.m. in the Forum of the Elaine Langone Center. A member of the Inuit community, Watt-Cloutier has been honored for her advocacy work in showing the impact of global climate change on human rights, especially in the Arctic.