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The Women's, Gender, and Sexuality Studies Program

Gender and sexuality are fundamental categories of social organization and power. Our program examines gender and sexuality as they intersect with race, ethnicity, class, ability, nationality, and other sites of social inequality. As a discipline grounded in women's studies, we seek to enhance awareness of women's contributions, and their struggles. We affirm a feminist commitment to social justice and engaged citizenship as we collaborate across disciplinary boundaries to transform knowledge, practices, and institutions.

The WGS program collaborates with the Rising Tide Center and other campus partners to provide academic and professional development experiences that foster a more supportive and inclusive climate for faculty, staff and students.

Beyond the Maryann Hartman Awards, WGS honors women's achievements by celebrating Women's History Month each year in March. Other initiatives include co-sponsorship of *Girls Rock*, an event for elementary and middle school girls, and *Next Gen Feminists*, an annual conference for high school girls now in its second year.

Sponsoring these, and other relevant events, and engaging guest speakers and performers that address contemporary issues greatly enriches UMaine and our communities.



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The Maryann Hartman Awards

Maryann Hartman

After receiving a Ph.D. from Bowling Green State University in 1969, Maryann Hartman joined the University of Maine faculty as an assistant professor and director of forensics. A pioneer in the field of oral interpretation, Hartman studied communicative arts from historical, rhetorical, and aesthetic perspectives. Her research included comparisons of language patterns of Maine women and men born before 1900, oral autobiographies of Maine women born before 1900, and the use of oral interpretation to influence public policy. Teacher, scholar, advocate, friend, mother, a woman of courage and vitality, Maryann Hartman died of cancer in 1980 at the age of 53.

About the Awards

Named for the late Professor Hartman, outstanding teacher and scholar in Speech Communication at the University of Maine, the award honors the spirit, achievement and zest for life that she epitomized. This award recognizes distinguished Maine women and their accomplishments in arts, politics, business, education, and community service. The work of the women selected provides inspiration to others and demonstrates the contributions of these individuals to the state of Maine. Presented annually, the awards increase campus and community awareness of contemporary women's accomplishments.

Awards Artists

Harriet Rawle Hemenway of Stonington produced the original award pin design, creating the pins for thirteen years. In 2018, and again this year, Laura Friedman of Cumberland handcrafted the pins. The certificates, originally designed by Jan Owen, were crafted by LeeAnne Mallonee of Bangor.

PROGRAM

Introductions

Susan Gardner, Director
Women's, Gender and Sexuality Studies/Rising Tide Center

Welcome

Joan Ferrini-Mundy, President
Jessica Miller, Associate Dean of the College of
Liberal Arts & Sciences

Tribute to the Maryann Hartman Awards

Joyce Gibson
2016 Maryann Hartman Award Recipient

High School Essay Award Scholarship Presentation

Neily K. Raymond, Hermon High School

Sharon Barker Student Activism Awards Presentation

Taylor Cray, Undergraduate
Moriah Geer, Graduate

Maryann Hartman Awards Presentations

Lisa Marchese Eames	Janet Mills
Susan Feiner	Rachel Talbot Ross
Janice Pelletier	Mary Tedesco-Schneck

Closing Remarks

Jeff Hecker, Provost & Executive Vice President for
Academic Affairs

UMaine Renaissance Singers

Reception

Leadership Hall



2018-2019 Maryann Hartman Awardees and Presenters

Lisa Marchese Eames, Recipient

Lisa Marchese graduated from Bangor High School, earned a BA in Political Science from the University of Maine, and in 1986, received her law degree from Franklin Pierce Law Center in Concord, New Hampshire. Following graduation, Lisa was hired to work in the Criminal Division of the Maine Attorney General's office, where she taught at the Maine Criminal Justice Academy and handled extradition cases for several governors. She served as the State's first Statewide Drug Coordinator for drug prosecution matters, and in 1997, Lisa became one of four homicide prosecutors for the state of Maine. She has chaired the Domestic Violence Homicide Review panel for the past decade, a panel charged with reviewing domestic violence related homicides in an effort to reduce domestic abuse deaths. Lisa is a member of the Attorney General's Human Trafficking working group. In recognition of her relentless pursuit of justice, she received the Caroline Duby Glassman award from the Maine State Bar Association in 2010. She has served as Deputy Attorney General in charge of the Criminal Division since 2014.

Janet Mills, Presenter

Janet Mills graduated from Mt. Blue High School in Farmington, the University of Massachusetts (Boston), and the University of Maine School of Law. She began her legal career as an Assistant Attorney General, and later served as the District Attorney for Androscoggin, Franklin and Oxford Counties. Known for breaking the glass ceiling, she was the first woman elected as a District Attorney in New England, the state's first woman Attorney General, and Maine's first woman governor. Governor Mills received a Maryann Hartman Award in 2016.

Susan F. Feiner, Recipient

Susan F. Feiner earned her PhD in economics from the University of Massachusetts Amherst in 1981, when women earned only 10% of economics PhDs. Discovery of racial and sexual biases in textbooks prompted her study of race and gender in economics, particularly the perpetration of racist and sexist ideas. In 1986 she persuaded four Nobel Laureates—Kenneth Arrow (Stanford), Paul Samuelson (MIT), Amartya Sen (Harvard) and Robert Solow (MIT)—to help her launch “The Committee for Race and Gender Balance in the Economics Curriculum.” The National Science Foundation funded several of her projects aimed at diversifying the economics pipeline. She was a founding editor of the journal *Feminist Economics*, and helped organize the first and only feminist organization in the field, The International Association for Feminist Economics. Susan has written numerous books and articles, in addition to serving as a public intellectual; her works are widely read and reprinted. She was a professor of Economics and Women's and Gender Studies at the University of Southern Maine for 23 years; she retired in 2018.

Rachel Talbot Ross, Presenter

Rachel Talbot Ross is a ninth-generation Mainer of African American descent. A longtime public servant, she previously worked for the City of Portland, and has founded and directed several volunteer-driven social justice organizations such as NAACP, Martin Luther King Jr. Fellows, and Maine Freedom Trails. Rachel is a member of the Maine State Advisory Committee to the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights, and is currently representing District 40 in the Maine House of Representatives (Portland). She is in her second term in the legislature, where she serves on the Health and Human Services and Judiciary Committees. Rachel's father, Gerald E. Talbot, was the first African American elected to the Maine legislature (1972). In 2014 Rachel received the University of New England's Deborah Morton Award for exceptional public service.

Janice Pelletier, Recipient

Janice L. Pelletier is a pediatric dermatologist who has been in practice in the Bangor area for more than 30 years; she currently serves as the Head of Pediatric Dermatology for Northern Light Eastern Maine Medical Center. A graduate of Winslow High School, Jan earned a BA in Psychology from Harvard University, and graduated from Albert Einstein College of Medicine in New York in 1984. She is active in the local, state, and national chapters of the American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP), and has twice been recognized with an AAP special achievement award for distinguished service. Her research has focused on numerous pediatric health-related topics including ADHD, obesity, malnutrition, and asthma, among others. Her promotion of public health is demonstrated through her legislative testimony, professional presentations for medical and stakeholder groups, and continued participation in AAP, the Society for Pediatric Dermatology, and as a Diplomat of the American Board of Pediatrics. Jan has inspired next-generation health care providers through her teaching as an Adjunct Associate Professor at the University of Maine, an Adjunct Clinical Associate Professor at the University of New England, and a Clinical Associate Professor at the University of Vermont College of Medicine.

Mary Tedesco-Schneck, Presenter

Mary Tedesco-Schneck is a Pediatric Nurse Practitioner in clinical practice in Bangor, an Assistant Professor of Nursing at the University of Maine, and a nurse educator who earned her doctorate in education with a concentration in higher education leadership. As an educator, she encourages students to develop clinical reasoning skills that facilitate success in complex, dynamic health care environments. Her research focus is on methods of enhancing classroom engagement to foster critical nursing skills. Mary, who received her PhD from the University of Maine, is the first nurse appointed to the Board of Directors for the Maine Chapter of the American Academy of Pediatrics. She and Dr. Pelletier advocated for the inclusion of nursing professionals on Maine's AAP Board of Directors, and after a successful campaign, was appointed to fill the seat.