

THE GIRL: FROM EXPANSIVE IMAGININGS TO ENLIGHTENED EMBODIMENT

is a two day symposium that seeks to reposition, relocate, and reframe girls within the context of both girl and child studies by asking: How do we delineate the boundaries of girlhood? Which girls are visible and which are invisible in these boundaries? What are the everyday practices of actual girls that work to challenge these narrow definitions and representations? How do girls negotiate, engage, take up, resist, or reassemble the cultural frames of girlhood offered to them? What do girls' responses reveal about this contemporary moment of girlhood?

TIME & LOCATION:

The majority of symposium proceedings will take place in Room 519, Kaneff Tower at York University, 4700 Keele Street, Toronto ON. This is a two day symposium, with programming running from 9 AM – 2:30 PM on Friday, November 15 and from 9:30 AM – 5:30 PM on Saturday, November 16. In addition to panels and keynotes, the symposium is partnered with two other events taking place in Toronto that weekend. The first is a Toronto Film and Media Seminar hosted at the TIFF Bell Lightbox (350 King Street W, Toronto ON), titled "Let's Hear It for the Girls!" and scheduled to take place from 4:00 – 6:30 PM the evening of Friday, November 15. The second linked event is a book event celebrating the softcover launch of *Youth Mediations and Affective Relations*, coedited by Natalie Coulter and Susan Driver. The book celebration will take place later in the evening of Friday, November 15 following the TFMS event at the Abbozzo Gallery, located at 401 Richmond Street West, Toronto ON.

REGISTRATION:

We ask that all attendees kindly reserve their spot on Eventbrite in advance of the symposium.

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ACCESS NOTES:

Kaneff Tower is located across the street from the north entrance to the York University subway station. At the subway station, there is an escalator and an elevator leading up to the north side entrance. There are no steps leading into the building, and there are working e-doors.

The majority of symposium proceedings will take place in Room 519, on the fifth floor of Kaneff Tower. The fifth floor is accessible by elevator, and bathrooms on the same floor are equipped with e-doors and an accessible stall. All aisles and passageways have wheelchair clearance.

We request that the event be kept scent-free.

THE GIRL: FROM EXPANSIVE IMAGININGS TO ENLIGHTENED EMBODIMENT is held on the traditional and ancestral territories of the Huron-Wendat, the Anishnaabeg, Haudenosaunee, Métis, and the Mississaugas of the New Credit First Nation. This territory is subject of the Dish with One Spoon Wampum Belt Covenant, an agreement to share and care for the Great Lakes region.

This meeting place is still home to many indigenous people from across Turtle Island and we are grateful to have the opportunity to work and learn on this land.