



The Jean Augustine Chair in Education in the New Urban Environment,
Founders College and the Centre for Feminist Research Present:



A Public Lecture with Dr. Jacinta Muteshi

Sisterhood Revisited: Local, Transcontinental and Global Feminist Struggles

Women's movements and women's rights advocates have a long history of engagement and organizing as local and transnational groups. This activism is informed by both the interconnectedness and the diversity of their visions, experiences and struggles. This keynote will focus on the immense complexities and contradictions for democracy and feminist politics within institutions of governance. Governance has become a key arena of feminist contestatory activity, because it controls and limits feminist visions, while simultaneously carving out spaces for selected local, transcontinental and global feminist organizing and politics in the struggle for women's inclusion in democratic governance. Furthermore, in a world deeply defined by the agendas of powerful transnational and global entities that pose sophisticated challenges to feminist visions, making sense of the perceptions and practices of universality and specificity among women has underscored the need for theoretical clarity and an understanding of the possibilities inherent in feminist alliances.

Dr. Jacinta Muteshi is a Kenyan scholar, advisor and consultant in the field of women rights and gender equality with over 20 years working in diverse international, regional and national fora. She was educated at the State University of New York, McGill University and University of Toronto where she obtained her Ph.D.

March 8, 2012 from 4:30 – 6:30 p.m.

Senior Common Room, Founders

The Lecture will be followed by a light meal.

Please RSVP to jaugustinechair@edu.yorku.ca



**Dr. Jacinta Muteshi will also be hosting a special workshop for Graduate students on Tuesday, March 6th from 3-5 p.m.
RSVP as above.**