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2003-2004 IRW Distinguished Lecture Series

Thinking About Gender/Thinking About Sexual Difference(s)

Joanne Meyerowitz

Professor of History, Indiana University

Wednesday, February 4, 2004

"Gender, Sexuality, and the Politics of Social Construction"

Introduction by Professor Ann Fabian, American Studies and History

Reception 4:00, Public Talk 4:30

Ruth Dill Johnson Crockett Building
162 Ryders Lane, Douglass Campus

Joanne Meyerowitz will use her recent book, *How Sex Changed: A History of Transsexuality in the United States* (Harvard UP 2002; winner of the American Library Association GLBT Round Table Stonewall Book Award), to enter into a broader discussion of nature, nurture, and social constructionist theories of the mid-twentieth century. Author of many books and reprinted articles on gender and sexuality, Professor Meyerowitz is editor of the *Journal of American History* as well as the collections *History and September 11th* and *Not June Cleaver: Women and Gender in Postwar America, 1945-1960*.

Professor Meyerowitz will meet with members of the IRW/IWL seminar from 10:30 to noon on Thursday, February 5 to discuss her work-in-progress, which is available from the IRW.

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