



CALL FOR PAPERS

In celebration of Mother's Day, **The Association for Research on Mothering (ARM)** and **MAMAPALOOZA** are hosting a three-day conference!

MOTHERS GONE MAD: MOTHERHOOD AND MADNESS OPPRESSION AND RESISTANCE

Thursday, May 28 – Saturday, May 30, 2009
in New York City, Nola Studios

FEATURING KEYNOTE ADDRESSES BY

PHYLLIS CHESLER "TITLE TBA": <http://www.phyllis-chesler.com/> ;

PAULA CAPLAN, Ph.D. "Who Decides If Mothers Are Crazy? From Freud's Mother to Today's"

ALICIA OSTRICKER "The Mother/Child Papers Revisited" and

ANDREA O'REILLY "Out(law)ing Motherhood: A Theory and Politics of Maternal Empowerment for the 21st Century"

We welcome submissions from scholars, students, activists, artists, community agencies, service providers, journalists, mothers and others who work or research in this area. Cross-cultural, historical, and comparative work is encouraged. We encourage a variety of types of submissions including academic papers from all disciplines, workshops, creative submissions, performances, storytelling, visual arts, and other alternative formats.

Topics can include (but are not limited to):

Motherhood, Art, and Madness; Histories of Maternal Resistance; Historical Perspectives on Madness and Motherhood; Mothers, Madness, and Medicine; Maternal Anger; Mother Blame; Maternal Guilt; Racial Oppression, and Motherhood; Motherhood and Mental Illness; Psychoanalysis and Motherhood; Cultural Representations of Murderous Mothers; Depression, and Domestic Violence; Politicizing Motherhood: Maternal Activism; Post Partum Depression; LGBT Mothers, Oppression, and Resistance; Mothering and Disability; Mothers who kill; Motherhood in the News; Resistant Motherhoods; Momism and Oppression; Mothers who Live on the Edge; Working Mothers and Society; Raising Activist Children; Menopausal Mothers; Mothering and Eating Disorders; Demonizing 'Bad' Mothers; Madness as Agency and Resistance; Infanticide; Matricide; Grief, Bereavement and Loss; 'Good' Mothers versus 'Bad' Mothers, Medicalization of Maternity; Incarcerated Mothers; Mothers and Addiction; Psychology, Psychiatry and Mothers; Healing and Recovery; Feminist Mothering

DEADLINE FOR ABSTRACT SUBMISSIONS – February 1, 2009

*Please email 250 word presentation abstract and 50 word bio to arm@yorku.ca

MAMAPALOOZA Inc. connecting Mothers through Music, Art, Activism and Education for Cultural, Economic & Social awareness. MOMS ROCK! Mamapalooza serves as a resource for mothers seeking support, awareness and education in the arts, entrepreneurship and areas of mental and physical health. We are a cultural and social service hub, fostering talent, and providing a network for professional advancement, creative fulfillment, and financial education, encouraging well-being for women and families.

Founded in 1998 the **Association for Research on Mothering (ARM)** is the first and still only international feminist research devoted specifically to the topic of mothering-motherhood. Our mandate is to provide a forum for the discussion and dissemination of research on motherhood and to establish a community of individuals and institutions working and researching in the area of mothering and motherhood. ARM houses the *Journal of the Association for Research on Mothering*, Demeter Press, and the feminist mothers group **MOTHER OUTLAWS**.

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