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# JUSTICE STUDIES ASSOCIATION

2021 Annual Meeting - June 3-5 via Zoom



# RECLAIMING JUSTICE

## Meeting Program

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## Keynote Speaker



**Dr. Chielozona Eze**, Professor, Northeastern Illinois University

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Chielozona Eze is professor of African and African Diaspora Studies at Northeastern Illinois University, where he is also a Bernard J. Brommel Distinguished Research Professor. In addition, he is Extraordinary Professor of English at Stellenbosch University, South Africa.

Chielozona has published several books including *The Dilemma of Ethnic Identity: Alain Locke's Vision of Transcultural Societies* (Edwin Mellen Press 2005), *Postcolonial Imagination and Moral Representations in African Literature and Culture* (Rowman and Littlefield 2011), *Ethics and Human Rights in Anglophone African Women's Literature - Feminist Empathy* (Palgrave MacMillan 2016), *Race, Decolonization, and Global Citizenship in South Africa* (University of Rochester Press 2018), and most recently, *Justice and Human Rights in the African Imagination: We, Too, Are Humans* (Routledge 2021) and *Critical Perspectives on African Genocide: Memory, Silence, and Anti-Black Political Violence*, edited with Alfred Frankowski and Jeanine Nthirageza (Rowman and Littlefield 2021). And he is also the author of poems and short stories published in various journals.

## Chomsky Award



**Dr. Erica Meiners**, Professor, Northeastern Illinois University

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Erica Meiners is Professor of Education and Women's and Gender Studies at Northeastern Illinois University. She is a Bernard J. Brommel Distinguished Research Professor, and teaches classes in justice studies, women's and gender studies, and educational studies.

Erica is the author of numerous books including: *Right to be hostile: Schools, prisons and the making of public enemies* (Routledge 2007), *Public acts: Disruptive readings on making curriculum public* (with Francisco Ibáñez-Carrasco, Routledge 2004); *Flaunt It! Queers organizing for public education and justice* (with Therese Quinn, Peter Lang 2009), *For the Children? Protecting Innocence in a Carceral State* (Minnesota 2016), *The Long Term: Resisting Life Sentences Working Toward Freedom* (editor with Alice Kim, Jill Petty, Audrey Petty, Beth E. Richie, and Sarah Ross (Haymarket Books 2018). And published this year, *Abolition. Feminism. Now.* written together with Angela Y. Davis, Gina Dent, and Beth Richie (Routledge 2021).

Erica is an organizer and activist who has been working with others on many social justice issues, including anti-militarization campaigns, educational justice struggles, prison abolition and reform movements, and queer and immigrant rights organizing. Of note is her work in the struggle for access to free public education for people during and after incarceration, and other queer abolitionist struggles. She is a member of Critical Resistance, the Illinois Death in Custody Project, the Prison Neighborhood Arts / Education Project, and the Education for Liberation Network.

# PRESENTATION SCHEDULE

## THURSDAY, JUNE 3

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**\*\*NOTE:** All times listed are in **Central Time** so please plan accordingly based on your location\*\*

**8:30-8:45am** **Welcome Remarks**

*Maria De La Torre, President of JSA*

**8:45-10:20am** **Policing**

Abolishing American policing: The ritual of Black armed resistance

*Tony Gaskew, University of Pittsburgh, Bradford*

Realigning economic incentives: A new approach to police reform

*Madhavi Venkatesan, Northeastern University*

Race and crime: Beyond policing

*Madhavi Venkatesan, Noah Alper, Alexis Baker, Stephen Bernard, Paolo Lichtenthal, Katherine Murphy, Jacklyn Peterson, Rayana Radueva, & Anthea Simon, Northeastern University*

\*\*\* 5-minute break \*\*\*

**10:25am-12:15pm** **Restorative Justice & Transformative Justice**

Developments in restorative and transformative Justice: A *Contemporary Justice Review* panel

*Kayla M. Martensen (facilitator), University of Illinois-Chicago*

*April Bernard, Chicago State University*

*Johonna McCants-Turner, Eastern Mennonite University*

*Marianne Smith Geula, Geula Law Office, LLC*

*M. Michelle Day, Nehemiah Trinity Rising*

Book Discussion: Penal abolition as global phenomenon: People in prison, community organizers and scholars

*Michael Coyle, California State University*

*David Scott, The Open University*

**12:15-1:00pm** **LUNCH BREAK**

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**1:00-2:00pm**

### **Punishment & Society**

“Secondary registrants”: Stigmatization of family members of people on the sex offense registry

*Ashley Kilmer, Towson University*

*Chrysanthi Leon, University of Delaware*

Remarks on the unremarkable: Felony disenfranchisement as a form of state violence

*Diego Taboada, University of Tennessee, Knoxville*

Designing a better justice system: Why it must include formerly incarcerated leadership

*Allely Albert, Queen’s University Belfast*

Transformative justice as a response to crime: Past to current perspectives

*John F. Wozniak, Western Illinois University*

\*\*\* 5-minute break \*\*\*

**2:05-3:05pm**

### **Covid19 and Prison Diversion Programs**

Including the vital voices of prison diversion program participants in program monitoring and evaluation

*Lynne Mock, Center for Community Corrections Research, Illinois Criminal Justice Information Authority*

*MaryAnn Dyar, Adult Redeploy Illinois, Illinois Criminal Justice Information Authority*

*Alyssa Linvell, University of Chicago*

\*\*\* 5-minute break \*\*\*

**3:10-3:55pm**

### **Gender, Crime, and Justice**

Book Discussion: Gender, crime and justice: Learning through cases

*Susan T. Krumholz, University of Massachusetts Dartmouth*

*Jo-Ann Della Giustina, Bridgewater State University*

\*\*\* 5-minute break \*\*\*

**4:00-5:00pm**

### **CHOMSKY AWARD**

*Erica Meiners, Northeastern Illinois University*

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*Ashley Kilmer, Membership Coordinator of JSA*

**8:45-9:45am** **Education and Pedagogy Panel #1**

Teaching systemic compassion: A foundation for identifying regenerative solutions to environmental harms?

*Verena Knerich, Colorado State University*

Using visual ethnography for transnational justice: Pedagogical and methodological implications

*Tanni Chaudhuri, Rhode Island College*

Resistance to theory in criminal justice programs and perpetuation of the status quo

*Mohammad Salahuddin, Chicago State University*

\*\*\* 5-minute break \*\*\*

**9:50-10:50am** **Education and Pedagogy Panel #2**

Increasing access to college for justice diverse students

*Cory Feldman, LaGuardia Community College*

*Francine White, LaGuardia Community College*

Is it “eye for an eye”? How undergraduate students define justice

*Jenifer Lee-Gonyea, Mount Saint Mary College*

*Kate Melody Burmon, Mount Saint Mary College*

Missed school days, lost futures: Disparate use of harsh school discipline in Massachusetts

*Jennifer Hartsfield, Bridgewater State University*

\*\*\* 5-minute break \*\*\*

**10:55-11:45am** **Pedagogy Roundtable**

Student activism and police misconduct: Strategies for supporting and advocating student engagement with social justice topics

*Kevin Ralston, Delaware State University*

*Tanya Whittle, Delaware State University*

*Kimeu Boynton, Delaware State University*

**11:45am-12:30pm**

**LUNCH BREAK**

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### **12:30-1:45pm Contemporary Issues in Criminal Justice Panel #1**

A matter of life and death: Exploring the necropolitical limbo of Kingston’s housing crisis in the era of the Covid-19 pandemic

*Sophie Lachapelle, University of Ottawa*

*Angela May, McMaster University*

Hegemonic (Military) Masculinity in the U.S. Covid-19 Communication

*Maria Subert, City University of New York Hostos Community College*

Nurturing a Moral Panic: Migration, Ideology and Cultural Identity

*Michael Costelloe, Northern Arizona University*

Epidemiology of Violence in the Philippines

*Chris Magno, Gannon University*

\*\*\* 5-minute break \*\*\*

### **1:50-2:50pm Information Session for Students about Academia**

Session for students to ask questions about Academia, job market, research & scholarship, work-life balance, or anything else they’d like to know about working at a higher-ed institution. Faculty from a variety of institution types will be present to answer questions and share their experiences.

*Facilitated by Ashley Kilmer, Towson University, JSA Membership Coordinator*

\*\*\* 5-minute break \*\*\*

### **2:55-4:10pm Student Panel**

Perceptions of policing: An evaluation of two communities in Massachusetts

*Alexander Beaudry, Northeastern University (Faculty Advisor: Madhavi Venkatesan)*

Weaponizing California cops: An analysis of gun discharges and militarization in California police departments

*Jordan C. Grasso, University of California Irvine*

Playing God: Are you qualified?

*Pranav Olety, Northeastern University (Faculty Advisor: Madhavi Venkatesan)*

\*\*\* 5-minute break \*\*\*

### **4:15-5:15pm KEYNOTE SPEAKER**

*Chielozona Eze, Northeastern Illinois University*

**Join us this evening from 6:30-8:00pm for a Zoom Happy Hour!  
Details are on the last page of the program.**

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**9:00-9:15am** **Welcome Remarks**

*Rebecca Maniglia, Vice President of JSA*

**9:15-10:25am** **Violence/Non-Violence**

Panel Discussion: Theories of violence and practices of non-violence

*Elfriede Wedam, Loyola University Chicago*

*Jo-Ann Della Giustina, Bridgewater State University*

*Francisco Alatorre, Bridgewater State University*

*Jarret S. Lovell, California State University-Fullerton*

\*\*\* 5-minute break \*\*\*

**10:30-11:00am** **Meet the Editor: *Contemporary Justice Review***

*April Bernard, Chicago State University*

\*\*\* 5-minute break \*\*\*

**11:05am-11:35am** **Celebration of Life: Terry Beitzel**

*Charito Calvachi-Mateyko, Delaware Transformative Justice*

\*\*\* 5-minute break \*\*\*

**11:40-11:55am** **Closing Remarks**

*Moe Whitcomb, Communications Chair for JSA*

*Maria De La Torre, President of JSA*

\*\*\* 5-minute break \*\*\*

**12:00-1:30pm** **JSA Executive Committee Meeting**

## ADDITIONAL INFORMATION



### *80's Themed Zoom Happy Hour!*



Friday, June 4<sup>th</sup> 6:30-8:00pm (Central Time)

Join us for a totally rad time!

80's themed Outfits and Zoom Backgrounds encouraged!

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