

Sexism|Cinema Film Series: Fall 2020

Fifty+ years ago, the term “sexism” was coined. This film series considers ways in which sexism is embedded, endorsed, and/or challenged in the cinema. Together, these films featuring women as central protagonists offer an intriguing site for the analysis of representations of race/ethnicity, femininities, masculinities, and sexualities. All discussions begin at 7:00pm on Zoom; please register through the links on our website: <https://www.sexismcinema.com/>.

September 2, 2020: Iron Jawed Angels (2004)

October 7, 2020: Bend It Like Beckham (2002)

November 4, 2020: At Second Glance (Auf den zweiten Blick) (2012)

December 2, 2020: The Princess and the Frog (2009)

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Film Fact: Anika Noni Rose, who plays Tiana, had a lot of influence in shaping the character alongside the writers and animators. Rose, for example, is left-handed, and requested that Tiana also be.
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Our Featured Speaker for Tonight

Don Lavigne grew up in New Orleans and is currently an Associate Professor of Classics and Affiliate Faculty Member in Women's and Gender Studies. His research concerns gender and sexuality in ancient Greek and Roman poetry in general and, in particular, the way gender is used to construct poetic voices. He made (and ate) gumbo last night.

Potential Questions for Discussion

1. If we compare *The Princess and the Frog* with other Disney fairy tale adaptations, how does the setting in 20th Century America, as opposed to a more general "once upon a time" impact your perception of the gender and race relationships in the movie?
2. What do you think of the representation of voodoo in the film?
3. In what ways does this film acknowledge the legacy of Disney princess characters, and to what extent does Tiana conform to, or challenge, those traditions?
4. Even though the film is set in the era of Jim Crow, how does the film avoid acknowledging this history?
5. In what ways does the movie define success?

Further Resources

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