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Announcement: Stephen Vider gives talk on “queering domesticity” this Monday

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Our series of talks continue in the Department of American Studies here at UT with a talk by **Stephen Vider** titled, **“Interior Relations: Queering Domesticity and Belonging After**

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World War II.” Vider is the Cassius Marcellus Clay Fellow in the History of Sexuality at Yale University, and he recently won the Crompton-Noll Award from the GL/Q Caucus of the Modern Language Association for best essay in lesbian, gay, and queer studies for his article, “‘Oh Hell, May, Why Don’t You People Have a Cookbook?’: Camp Humor and Gay Domesticity,” which appeared in the December 2013 issue of *American Quarterly*. Vider’s talk will take place on **Monday, February 9 at 4:30pm in Burdine 436A.**



Vider had the following to say about his upcoming talk:

In the decades after World War II, gay men were typically represented as quintessential outsiders to the American home – a view reinforced by historians both of the home and family, and of LGBT culture. This talk examines the various ways gay men challenged and adapted conventional domestic



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practices to reshape norms of intimate, communal, and national belonging, from 1945 to the present. From “homosexual marriages” in the 1950s, to gay communes in the 1970s, gay domesticity emerged as a central site of a broader tension between cultural integration and resistance, revealing the normative constraints and creative possibilities of home-making and affiliation.

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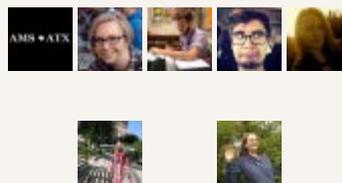
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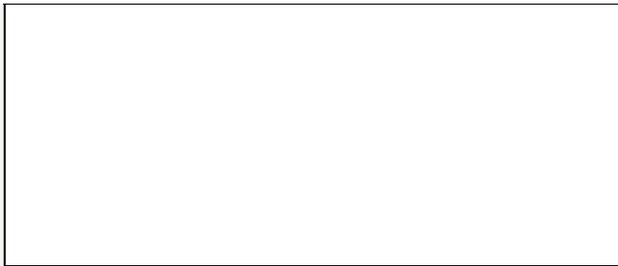


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