The Department of American Studies is excited to announce the launch of Dr. Christina Hanhardt’s much-anticipated book, *Safe Space*, and invite you to join in our reception to mark the occasion.

Since the 1970s, a key goal of lesbian and gay activists has been protection against street violence, especially in gay neighborhoods. During the same time, policymakers and private developers declared the containment of urban violence to be a top priority. In this important book, Christina B. Hanhardt examines how LGBT calls for "safe space" have been shaped by broader public safety initiatives that have sought solutions in policing and privatization and have had devastating effects along race and class lines.

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