

PRESS RELEASE: W sex: reading  
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A.I.R. Gallery  
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On the night of June 18th, at 8 p.m. in the A.I.R. Gallery, to compliment its group exhibition, "The A.I.R. Invitational", painter Joy Glidden will curate an event entitled W sex: reading with five women writers of considerable power --

In a rare public reading, **Barbra Seaman**, a true pioneer in the field of women's health, whose sharp, analytical writings are not only accessible to a broad base of women but helped to spawn the women's self-help health movement, will read from her influential bestseller Free and Female to celebrate the 20th anniversary of its publication.

**Catherine Texier** is the author of Love Me Tender and Panic Blood. In evocative prose and sensual imagery invested with the rhythms of her native France, Ms. Texier challenges the taboos imposed on the expression of women's sexuality, daring to speak the unspeakable. She will read from recent work.

**Esther Kaplan** is an editor and journalist whose writings have appeared in The Village and N.Y.Q. Ms. Kaplan is a committed social-activist whose work is a natural outgrowth of her courageous efforts in the quest for social justice.

**Coco Gordon's** "Blip Culture" steps outside of the technologically alienating dominate culture with a critical eye and brings back intermedia mediations on what it means to be human. Through her books, installations, paintings and performances, Ms. Gordon's work asks the questions: "What is it that we have lost and what is it that can we regain in order to reintergrate

ourselves into the living earth?

**Lisa Blauschild** is not an "Angry Woman" but a dangerous one. She is an unsparing iconoclast who does not create "literature" but performs public bloodlettings. In her satires, which have appeared in "Bomb", "Between C & D", "Exquisite Corpse", "Soho Weekly News" and some anthologies she'd rather not discuss, the house goes up in flames and no one gets out alive. She will read from a novel-in-progress Love Letter To My Rapist

W sex: reading brings together women whose writing brings both external and internal insight to the changing moments in the history of the women's movement over the past twenty-odd years. The evening will be hosted by Darius James, the author of the forthcoming novel Negrophobia. The evening will cost five dollars per person at the door.