

# Marquette University Student Government

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## **MUSG TO HOST “TRANSGENDER EXPERIENCES AND CONFLICTS” WITH JULIA SERANO**

MILWAUKEE (April 20, 2009) “Transgender Experiences and Conflicts” featuring writer, musician, spoken word artist and activist Julia Serano, will be hosted by the Marquette University Student Government Diversity Commission, the Gay/Straight Alliance, and Empowerment on Thursday, April 23 from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. in Johnston Hall room 103.

Julia Serano is the author of the groundbreaking book “Whipping Girl.” According to her Website [juliaserano.com](http://juliaserano.com), “Whipping Girl” is a collection of Serano’s personal essays meant to dispel the myths surrounding transgendered women and gender in general. Serano is a two-time poetry slam champion, member of the acclaimed pop band Bitesize and research biologist at the University of California-Berkeley with a doctorate in Biochemistry and Molecular Biophysics from Columbia University.

The event is free and open to the public. All students are encouraged to attend and listen to Serano share her experiences as a transgender feminist and the conflicts she faces as an activist and advocate for change.

For more information on MUSG’s news and events, visit <http://musg.mu.edu> or visit the MUSG office, AMU 133.

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