

Let's start the Ceremony for the Gender Studies Dissertation Award 2025.

A warm welcome to all of you, on behalf of the board of the Feminist Cultural Fund Gender&knowledge.

My name is Leontine Bijleveld. I am the treasurer of the Feminist Cultural Fund.

Today I am substitute for Professor emerita Mineke Bosch, the president and the founder of FC Gender&knowledge.

Unfortunately Mineke cannot be here with us today, because she is ill. Of course she regrets that very much. We will providing her a full report and lots of pictures.

Maybe Mineke would have shared with you how the idea for the Dissertation Award Gender&knowledge originated and where (the kitchen table in her apartment in Amsterdam years ago). She did that opening the ceremony for the first Gender&knowledge award, two years ago

Maybe also how the Feminist Cultural Fund fits in a long standing tradition of women's funds, as she did opening the ceremony of the FIP, the Feminist Impact Award, last year.

But I am not Mineke. So I will limit myself to guide you through the programme of this afternoon.

The Gender Studies Award and this ceremony is a collaboration between the Feminist Cultural Fund and the Netherlands Research School of Gender Studies.

The NOG was co-host of the annual international RINGS Conference taking place yesterday and today.

That's the reason we all speak English in this ceremony, that will last approximately one hour.

First the three short listed candidates will introduce you to their dissertation in maximum 10 minutes each.

Aranka Ballering, Rodante van der Waal, Antonia Weiss. Antonia cannot be here with us due to personal circumstances, but she made a film to introduce you to her dissertation

Then jury-chair professor Lies Wesseling will read the jury report, ending of course with the disclosure of the winner.

Next is the presentation of the certificate that accompanies the Award.

And after that, Jury member Rosemary Buikema will interview the winner.

As you know: No Award ceremony without official pictures.

So: while most of the audience heads for drinks towards the Sterrecamer nextdoors, winner and other candidates, members of the jury, the board of the fund and advisory board, representatives of the NOG are kindly requested to stay behind.

That's the programme of this afternoon.

Before I give the floor to Aranka Ballering it is my duty as treasurer of FC

Gender&knowledge to assure you that your donations to the Fund are most welcome. Our bankaccount is to be found on these cards.



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