Salon Salon

Discourse in Identity, Relationships, & Hair

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Salon: social events that played an integral role in the cultural & intellectual development of France, often hosted by women

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July Salon Salon – “Dopamine Styling”

Salonniere: Stephanie Tillman

Day: July 28th, 2022

Time: 4pm EST – 5pm EST

Location: Zoom

Pre-Event Discussion Item: Should We All Be Dopamine Dressing?

Discussion Questions:

• Do you think the concept of "dopamine dressing" could also apply to hair/hairstyles/headcoverings?

• Do you consider your mood when styling your hair or selecting a headcovering?

• Have you ever considered what your hair/hairstyle/headcovering says about you or what "messages" it may send to others? In the workplace?

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Hair or hairlessness has been used by women to express identity, connection, resourcefulness, resilience, and resistance. Hair is, for some, a source of pride, and for others, a source of pain. Salon Salon uses the topic of hair to facilitate discussion among women, weaving through both deep and lighthearted conversations, while building affinity and relationship among attendees.

Prior to each Salon, a written, visual, or audio medium on the topic of hair will be shared with attendees and will be used as a guide for the event’s conversation.

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Occurrence: Monthly
Time: 4pm EST – 5pm EST
Location: Alternating virtual & in-person

Join us for the first Salon Salon on July 28th, 2022.

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