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**Saturday, April 1: Invited Talks, Griffis Hall Forum Room**

9:30-10:45: **Gillian Lipton** (Independent Scholar)  
TBD

11:00-12:30: **Thomas F. DeFrantz** (Performance Studies, Northwestern)  
"Amazing Grace: Rethinking Ballet and the Human"

2:00-3:15: **Richard Shusterman** (Center for Body, Mind and Culture, Florida Atlantic University)  
"Creation and Possession: Rethinking an Ancient Philosophy of Art"

3:30-5:00: **Halifu Osumare** (African & African American Studies, UC Davis)  
"The Black Female as Nature/Body in the European Imagination"

All events are free & open to the public. For additional questions, contact Kristin Boyce at lucyconference@gmail.com. For more information & a complete event schedule, visit https://aesthetics-online.org/events/EventDetails.aspx?id=1679338.
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