



# Women, Violence and the Inquisition



**This conference attempts to carry out a study on the situation of women in the New Spanish Inquisition.**

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In recent years, interest in studies related to the Inquisition has increased, while there continues to be a gap in Spain and Mexico when it comes to identifying specific women who were before a court of the *Santo Oficio*. The conference will analyze their social status, condition, why they were denounced, and how their process went. In every case of women subject to imprisonment, interrogation and sentencing, the spectre of misogyny, rejection, marginalization and also the desire to hide and silence realities that did not fit into that historical moment are raised. When arrested, women enter a world arranged and populated by men; they are subjected to their laws, their punishments and their judgments, with the prejudices and to the detriment that this entails for the female condition.

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## Venue

Observatory of the Spanish Language and Hispanic Cultures in the United States, Faculty of Arts and Sciences, 4th floor, 2 Arrow St, Cambridge, MA 02138

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