Gender and the City: Perspectives from the Global South

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This talk is a conversation between two researchers doing ground-breaking work in the field of gender and urban studies in the Global South. We seek to put a variety of perspectives in dialogue, questioning the gendered division between private space (reproductive) vs public space (productive), the colonial disconnection between body and territory, as well as discussing the various strategies of resistance to reclaim urban public space for all.

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