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Link to FiLiA Podcast

Introduction

<https://filia.org.uk/podcasts/2019/7/11/filia-meets-jody-raphael>

Podcast

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Her latest books include: (2016) *The Sexualized Body and the Medical Authority of Pornography*; (2018) *Transgender Children and Young People: Born In Your Own Body*; and (2019) *Inventing Transgender Children*. Her latest journal article is: (2019) *The Medico-Legal 'Making' of 'The Transgender Child.'* She is currently carrying out research on “the female body as political territory,” analyzing the relationship between pornography, prostitution, surrogacy, and transgenderism.

FiLiA means daughter. The members of FiLiA are the daughters of the women who came before us and we fight so that our daughters may be free. FiLiA mission is to contribute to the Women’s Liberation Movement by: building sisterhood and solidarity; amplifying the voices of women; and defending women’s human rights.

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