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present

Friday/ March 6/ 2-5:30PM
Cinema Studies Screening Room
721 Broadway, 6th floor

a screening/ discussion

Devoted to Discipline:

religion, education
and punishment in prison



The Dhamma Brothers: East Meets West in the Deep South (2008, 76 min)
Directed by Jenny Phillips, Anne Marie Stein, Andrew Kukura

A sensitive film about a 10-day meditation retreat held in an Alabama men's maximum-security prison makes a decisive difference in several lives.

A post-screening discussion with filmmaker Jenny Phillips, will be followed by a roundtable exploring the paradoxes of discipline as religion, college education and punishment in American prisons. Do religious practices and education programs simply serve the punitive regime of the prison, rendering inmates manageable? Or are they the lifeline for moral integrity and dignity of the individuals who live inside?

With filmmaker **Jenny Philips**, **Tanya Erzen** (OSU), an anthropologist researching the role of faith-based initiatives in southern prisons, and **Daniel Karpowitz** (Bard), a lawyer and academic director of the Bard Prison Initiative in New York state. Moderator: **Angela Zito**, (NYU)

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