When “Brave” is a dress: Preschoolers, power, gender and play

The children’s media enterprise has come a long way since Cinderella, as characters ranging from ice princesses to boy pirates grapple with the slippery contours of gender normativity.

But how do children make sense of their newly configured, even empowered, heroes and heroines? How do they work out discordant role models in their pretend play and dress-up adventures?

What is the new gender order among the youngest children? Why should it matter to college students?

Anthropologist of Childhood Sally Campbell Galman will share stories and findings from two years and over 500 hours of observing preschoolers engaging in pretend play and story telling.

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