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Judith Pamela Butler (born 1956) is an American philosopher and gender theorist whose work has influenced political philosophy, ethics, and the fields of third-wave feminist, queer, and literary theory. Since 1993, she has taught at the University of California, Berkeley, where she is now Maxine Elliot Professor in the Department of Comparative Literature and the Program of Critical Theory. In the opening of "Critically Queer" Judith Butler starts from J.L. Austin's "How to Do Things with Words?" in which he examines the performative function of speech acts. At the base of the performative gender identity Judith Butler places her notion of forced heterosexuality. She claims that the seemingly natural division of man/woman is founded on the cultural meta-taboo regarding homosexuality, and on the forced and constant regulation of sexuality within the boundaries of heterosexuality. *Bibliographie Études*. Sara Salih, Judith Butler, Londres et New York, Routledge, coll. Critical Thinkers, 2002 *The Judith Butler reader*, edited by Sara Salih with Judith Butler, Blackwell Publishing Ltd, 2003, 384 p.; Paula-Irene Villa, Judith Butler, Campus Verlag GmbH, 2003, 160 p. (ISBN 978-3-593-37187-0) Stéphane Haber, *Critique de l'antinaturalisme: études sur Foucault, Butler, Habermas ...*