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On Monday, February 9 at 5:30pm, the NYU Department of German presents "Breathlessness. Desire, Literature, Silence," a talk with NYU Visiting Scholar Caroline Sauter.

Breathing is a vital force, giving language its unique rhythm, beauty, poetry, and cadence. In the experience of desire, language struggles and often becomes breathless, punctuated, fragile, silent. Reading *shir ha-shirim*, a collection of love poetry from the Hebrew Bible, together with works by Franz Rosenzweig, Paul Celan, Anne Carson, Sarah Kofman, Julia Kristeva, and Helène Cixous, this talk discusses the fragility of language and the potential of literature when desire becomes breathless.

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