Historical Dialogues, Justice, and Memory Network News

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The Historical Dialogues, Justice and Memory Network announces its 2017 Conference:

Present Past: Time, Memory, and the Negotiation of Historical Justice
December 7-9, 2017
Columbia University, New York City

In considering the politics and policies of commemorating the past, this conference probes how public discourses about memory change over time. Papers that explore how the past is known, interpreted, conceptualized, or articulated, and how such representations evolve with the passage of time, are welcome. How has the passage of time changed the way memories of historical violence, atrocity and genocide are represented in the public sphere? In what ways do political, social and cultural forces influence, appropriate, or stifle these memories in different ways as the original event recedes into the more distant past? Related topics include the globalization of memory, and with it the increasing popularity of commemorative memorial practices. The proliferation of museums and memorials, the increase in confessional or memorial literature, and the surge of memory laws against Holocaust and genocide denial are some examples of the historical, cultural and legal phenomena that speak to questions of how individuals and communities remember. These modes of ‘making the past present’ speak not only to the passage of time and the forces of multidirectional memory, but also to the ways in which communities understand issues of justice and accountability, memory and amnesia, prevention and the culture of ‘never again’. This conference thus seeks papers that explore the ways in which communities negotiate narrativization of the past over time, and what the implications of such changes in public discourses of memory suggest in terms of present and future political realities, conflict transformation and atrocity prevention, and the role that history itself has in shaping or re-shaping the ways in which individuals and groups relate to the past and future.

The deadline for submitting abstracts is May 15, 2017. Please note that we have a specific call for a panel on Genocide Prevention for which travel grants may be available. Please e-mail your submission as a single document to ahda.conference.2017@gmail.com. Click here to read the full call for papers.

Scholarship

Book Reviews

- Renée Ater’s review of Ana Lucia Araujo (2014), Shadows of the Slave Past: Memory, Heritage, and Slavery. This ambitious book offers a broad examination of, and approach to, the slave past.

Books for Review

**Working Papers**


**Recent and Forthcoming Publications**


**Online Resources**

- Archives and Dealing with the Past
- Mapping Historical Dialogue Project
- Political Apologies Archive

**Events and Conferences**

*The Politics of Uncertainty: Forensic Aesthetics and the Search for Latin America’s Disappeared*

Date: April 20, 2017 - 5:30pm to 7:30pm
Location: Cardozo School of Law 512 - Faculty Lounge, New York, NY

*Amenoscope*

Date: April 24, 2017 6-8pm
Location: Faculty House, Columbia University, New York

*Launch of the 2016 Annual Report of the Technical Secretariat of the Latin American Network for Genocide And Mass Atrocity Prevention*

Date: April 25, 2017 5:00-7:00pm
Location: Consulate General of Colombia, 10 E. 46th Street, New York, NY 10017

*Counterhegemony 2017: Defying the Commodification of Higher Education in Australia*

Date: May 6, 2017 1-5pm
Location: 22-36 Mountain Street, Ultimo (Sydney CBD), NSW

*Helping Schools Confront Islamophobia*

Date: May 15, 2017 9am-4pm
Location: Interchurch Center, 475 Riverside Drive, New York, NY 10115

*Large-Scale Violence and Its Aftermaths*

Dates: June 25-29, 2017
Location: Kean University
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Dates: December 7-9, 2017
Location: Columbia University, New York City

Calls for Papers

CFP: Historical Dialogues, Justice and Memory Network Working Paper (WP) Series
Deadline: Rolling

CFP: Identity and the Self: Personal Identity, Autonomy and Belonging, Florence, 22-23 June 2017
Deadline: May 10, 2017

CFP: Call for submissions on teaching: Transformations: The Journal of Inclusive Scholarship and Pedagogy
Deadline: May 31, 2017

CFP: Forum Kritika on Historical Dialogue - Dealing with the Past: Mapping the Edges of “Historical Dialogue”
Deadline: June 30, 2017

Opportunities and Announcements

The Historical Dialogues, Justice and Memory Network is seeking members who would be interested in tweeting under the Network’s handle about topics related to historical dialogue, memory studies, dealing with the past, and related topics. If interested, please send a cover letter and resume to dialogues@columbia.edu.

Opportunities

CFA: Editor, Working Paper Series
Deadline: Rolling

CFA: Seeking Twitterers, Historical Dialogues, Justice and Memory Network
Deadline: Rolling

CFA: University Lecturer in Public International Law, Utrecht University School of Law
Deadline: April 23, 2017

CFA: Aryeh Neier Fellow, Open Society Foundations
Deadline: April 24, 2017

CFA: Legal Officer, International Justice, Open Society Foundations
Deadline: May 3, 2017

CFA: 3 x PhD scholarships available on 'The Future of Holocaust Memory'
Deadline: May 8, 2017

CFA: Agency in Transnational Memory Politics: A Framework for Analyzing Practice
Deadline: May 10, 2017

CFA: International youth project “History begins in the family…”
Deadline: May 15, 2017

CFA: Documenting the Holocaust in Nazi-Occupied Poland: Considering New Sources (Workshop, Sept. 11-14)
Deadline: June 1, 2017
CFA: Torture in the 21st Century: History, Ethics and Human Rights Summer Course
Deadline: June 8, 2017

CFA: African Civil Wars Summer Course
Deadline: June 8, 2017

Announcements

- Invitation to participate in the Mapping Historical Dialogue Project

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