



Our newsletter focuses on issues relating to historical dialogue, historical and transitional justice, and public and social memory. More details about items in our newsletter (and more!) can be found on our [website](#).

Both our website and newsletter provide information and resources to encourage innovative interdisciplinary, transnational and comparative research. They are housed at the [Institute for the Study of Human Rights](#) at Columbia University, New York City.

### **Future of Holocaust Research in Poland Hinges on Libel Case**

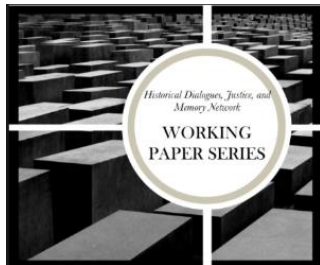
Two Polish historians are facing a libel trial for a scholarly examination of Polish behavior during World War II, a case whose outcome is expected to determine the fate of independent Holocaust research under Poland's nationalist government. A verdict is expected in Warsaw's district court on Feb. 9 in the case against Barbara Engelking, a historian with the Polish Center for Holocaust Research in Warsaw, and Jan Grabowski, a professor of history at the University of Ottawa. It is the first closely watched Holocaust speech case since Poland sought to pass a law in 2018

that would have criminalized the act of falsely blaming Poland for Germany's Holocaust crimes. For the full story, click [here](#).

## SCHOLARSHIP

Select book reviews, books for review and the latest contribution to our working paper series.

[MORE ON SCHOLARSHIP](#)



The [Historical Dialogue, Justice, and Memory Network](#) is seeking submissions for its [Working Paper Series](#).

New thematic focus:

[Memory, Mourning, and Historical Justice in Crisis Times](#)

How is the experience of the contemporary moment of ecological, economic, and political crisis imbued with memory, mourning, and historical justice? Contributors are encouraged to consider what the past offers up to a present that is perceived to be at once singular, impossible, or extreme yet also accelerating, collective, and accumulating daily. Submissions may attempt to answer the following questions: How are mourning, trauma, tragedy, and loss articulated in relation to urgency? How might compounding events impact our ideas about the role of memorialization or the nature of resiliency? What becomes of historical justice and reparation alongside the demand for immediate redress? Submissions may consider (but are not limited to) the following topics: (un)natural disasters, environmental justice, or ecological mourning, pandemics and public health, anti-Black state violence and racial politics, political regimes (populist, authoritarian, (neo)colonial, (post)imperial)), displacement(s), legal disenfranchisement, and monuments and public memory/history.

The **Working Paper Series** provides a platform for emerging scholars, practitioners and other interested individuals to workshop unpublished texts with our vibrant intellectual community. We welcome opinion

pieces, policy memos/briefs, program proposals, scholarly contributions from all disciplines, or other genres of written work. While we are excited to receive submissions related to the current thematic focus, we will consider work on any topic related to historical dialogue, transitional justice, and public and social memory at any time.

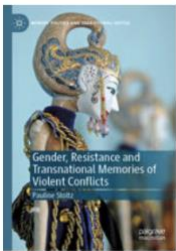
Working Papers are circulated through multiple channels in order to broaden discussion around both the work submitted and the topic addressed. Authors will receive editorial feedback and be featured on the Network's website, bimonthly newsletter, and social media platforms. From 2020 onward, we will also be initiating online conversations between scholars to enliven each thematic focus.

There are no restrictions as to the affiliation or experience of the author, and all submissions will receive a reply from the Series editors. Submissions should be no longer than 25 pages. Copyright will remain with the author; inclusion in the WPS will not prevent authors from pursuing publication of the paper at a later date.

If you have any questions about the series or would like to submit your work, please contact the editors, Isaac Jean-François, Brittany Lauren Wheeler, and Tim Wyman-McCarthy at [historicaldialogues@gmail.com](mailto:historicaldialogues@gmail.com).

Read Guy Lancaster's [review](#) of Historical Dialogue and the Prevention of Mass Atrocities (Elazar Barkan, Constantin Goschler and James E. Waller, eds), in which he considers the question of whether open dialogue regarding historical injustice help heal rifts and prevent future conflict.

**Interested in reviewing a book? Below are a list of books currently available for review. Interested in proposing a book for review? E-mail us at [dialogues@columbia.edu](mailto:dialogues@columbia.edu)!**



- [Agency in Transnational Memory Politics](#). Eds. Jenny Wüstenberg and Aline Sierp. (Berghahn Books, 2020) (ebook in English).
- [Gender, resistance and transnational memories of violent conflicts](#). Stoltz, Pauline (Palgrave Macmillan, 2020) (e-book).

## OPPORTUNITIES

Select postings for career and academic advancement.

[ALL OPPORTUNITIES](#)

Please note that COVID-19 is leading to frequent changes and/or cancellations of events. Check details carefully for updated information.

## February 2021

### [CfA: Robert F. Kennedy Book and Journalism Award](#)

Deadline: February 8, 2021

### [CfP: Emotions and Close Encounters in War, Close Encounters in War Journal](#)

Deadline: February 10, 2021

### [Postmemory and the Contemporary World](#)

Location: Online (scientific committee: University of Gdańsk, Poland and Universidad Pontificia Bolivariana, Colombia)

Conference Dates: February 25-26, 2021

Deadline: February 12, 2021

### [CfA: Postgraduate summer course "Disruptive Narratives: Re-Constructing the Truth in the Age of Multimodal Propaganda"](#)

Location: Central European University (CEU), Budapest, Hungary

Deadline: February 14, 2021

Course dates: July 26 – July 30, 2021

### [Memory Studies Association Annual Conference: Convergences](#)

Location: University of Warsaw, Poland

Registration Date: February 15, 2021

Conference Dates: July 5-9, 2021

### [CfA: Humanity in Action](#)

Location: varied

Deadline: February 14, 2021

### [CfA: Special Issue of EEJA on ZIH in Warsaw under Poland's communist regime and beyond](#)

Deadline: February 15, 2021

### [CfA: Doctoral Fellowships in Genocide Studies](#)

Location: The USC Shoah Foundation Center for Advanced Genocide Research

Deadline: February 15, 2021

### [CfP: Digital Holocaust Memory from the Margins: Practices, Places, and Narratives](#)

Location: Esther and Sidney Rabb Center for Holocaust and Revival Studies, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev, Israel

Conference Dates: June 1-3, 2021

Deadline: February 15, 2021

### [CfA: Postdoc Academy for Transformational Leadership](#)

Location: Germany, Sweden, The Netherlands (Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin, Leuphana

University of Lüneburg, the Stockholm Resilience Centre and the Dutch Research Institute for Transitions)

Deadline: February 15, 2021

[CfA: Project Manager for the Western Balkans, Bosch Stiftung](#)

Location: Stuttgart or Berlin

Deadline: February 17, 2021

[CfA: Advocacy Fellow, Clooney Foundation](#)

Location: New York

Deadline: February 19, 2021

[CfA: Mellon Fellowship for Pre-doctoral and Post-doctoral Scholars](#)

Location: James Weldon Johnson Institute, Emory University

Deadline: February 25, 2021

[CfA: Alliance for Historical Dialogue and Accountability Fellowship](#)

Location: Columbia University

Deadline: February 28, 2021

CfA: [Malaysia Human Rights Associate: Fortify Rights](#)

Location: Kuala Lumpur

Deadline: February 28, 2021

**March 2021**

CfA: [The Search for Humanity After Atrocity](#)

Kean University

Deadline: March 1, 2021

[CfA: Post-Doctoral Fellowship](#)

Location: Gilder Lehrman Center for the Study of Slavery, Resistance, and Abolition, Yale University

Deadline: March 1, 2021

[CfA: Assistant Professor, History of the Holocaust](#)

Location: Middle Tennessee State University

Deadline: March 7, 2021

[CfA: Visiting Assistant Professor, Modern European History](#)

Location: Davidson College

Deadline: March 8, 2021

[Teaching Mass Atrocity: The Holocaust, Genocide, and Justice](#)

Location: USHMM, Washington, DC

Seminar Dates: June 1-11, 2021

Deadline: March 15, 2021

[CfA: Online International Summer School in Comparative Conflict Studies](#)

Location: Center for Comparative Conflict Studies (CFCCS) at the Faculty of Media and Communications (FMK),

Singidunum University, Belgrade (online)

Course Dates: June 21-26, 2021

Application Deadline: March 15, 2021

CfP: [Graduate History Conference, Confronting Crisis: Writing History in Uncertain Times](#)

Location: York University-University of Toronto (online)

Conference Dates: April 28-30, 2021

Deadline: March 15, 2021

CfP: [Voices from the Edge: Negotiating the Local in the Global](#)

Location: The University of Western Australia, Perth Australia (hybrid/online)

Deadline: March 16, 2021

Conference Dates: June 16-18, 2021

[CfA: ONLINE summer course "Disruptive Narratives: Re-Constructing the Truth in the Age of Multimodal Propaganda"](#)

Location: Central European University (online)

Course Dates: July 26 – July 30, 2021

Deadline: March 22, 2021

## RESOURCES

Online resources related to historical dialogue, historical and transitional justice, and public and social memory that may be of particular interest during this period of institutional closures and social distancing.

Recently added online resources:

### ARCHIVES

- The FDR Presidential Library and Museum has recently launched a [new YouTube series](#) with updates on the [Morgenthau Holocaust Collections Project](#), a digital history and path-finding initiative to raise awareness of the FDR Library's unique but under-explored resources for Holocaust Studies.

### DIGITAL HUMANITIES/MEDIA

- [Truth in the Americas Initiative](#)

- [Holocaust and Genocide Research Partnership](#) (HGRP). The HGRP is a national research and public engagement consortium comprising of institutions at the forefront of research and learning:
  - [The Wiener Holocaust Library \(London\)](#)
  - [The Holocaust Research Institute at Royal Holloway, University of London](#)
  - [The Holocaust Survivors' Friendship Association \(Leeds\)](#)
  - [The University of Huddersfield.](#)

The HGRP aims to be the leading voice in the UK for research-led public engagement, education, and heritage practice about the history and memory of the Holocaust and genocide.

HISTORY EDUCATION (in and out of the classroom)

- [Rethink Education Platform](#)

HOLOCAUST

- [Eternal Echoes](#) is an interactive learning resource covering the Holocaust.

HUMAN RIGHTS

- [Standard Human Rights. Addressing the Topics of Flight, Forced Migration, Asylum and Racist Discrimination in Education Practice](#)  
[Civil Rights and Social Justice COVID-19 Series](#)

## UPCOMING EVENTS

Select activities related to historical dialogue, historical and transitional justice, and public and social memory.

[ALL EVENTS](#)

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**February 2021**

A conversation on Gulag Literature and the Literature of Nazi Camps: An Intercontextual Reading (Indiana University Press, 2019), by Leona Toker

Location: online (UMass Amherst)

Date: February 9, 2021

### [Playing the Holocaust II](#)

Location: University of Sussex (online)

Date: February 17, 2021

### [Beyond Conflict Resolution and Transitional Justice](#)

Location: Columbia University (online)

Date: February 19, 2021

### [Postmemory and the Contemporary World](#)

Location: Online (scientific committee: University of Gdańsk, Poland and Universidad Pontificia Bolivariana, Colombia)

Conference Dates: February 25-26, 2021

### [International Graduate Student Conference: Literature and Human Rights](#)

Location: The American University in Cairo (online)

Date: February 27, 2021

## **March 2021**

A conversation on *The Last Ghetto: An Everyday History of Theresienstadt* (Oxford UP, 2020), by Anna Hájková

Location: online (Umass Amherst)

Date: March 9, 2021

### [Seminar: Mediated Memories of Responsibility](#)

Location: University College Cork\_(online)

Date: March 10, 2021

### [Narrating Violence: Making Race, Making Difference](#)

Location: University of Turku (Finland) and The George and Irina Schaeffer Center for the Study of Genocide, Human Rights, and Conflict Prevention at the American University of Paris (France)

Conference Dates: 15–17 March 2021 in Turku; 29–31 March 2021 in Paris

### [The Alt-Right, Holocaust Denial and Distortion](#)

Location: University of Sussex (online)

Date: March 19, 2021

Tell us about events, opportunities, resources, and initiatives you are working on! E-mail [dialogues@columbia.edu](mailto:dialogues@columbia.edu).



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