



NARRATING VIOLENCE: MAKING RACE, MAKING DIFFERENCE

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MARCH 15 - 17 AND MARCH 29-31 2021

Conference Program



MONDAY, MARCH 15

15:00* **Introduction**
15:15

15:15 **Keynote Lecture**
16:15

Faith Mkwesha | *University of Helsinki, Finland*
"Dislocation and Continuities: Decolonial Approach to Identity Formation of an African Woman in Finland and the U.S"

16:30 **Cultural Images of Violence I**
18:15

James Waller | *Keen State College, USA*
"A Troubled Sleep: The Violent Narratives of Political Murals in Northern Ireland"

Ann Walker | *University of Plymouth, UK*
"Whose story is it anyway? A discussion about the trauma of cultural appropriation"

Jyrki Pöysä | *University of Eastern Finland*
"Monsters as a race in horror films"

Finn Walker | *UK*
"The '3 weird sisters'"

TUESDAY, MARCH 16

11:30
13:30

Workshop

Kaiju Harinen | *University of Turku, Finland*

"Making Race and Difference in Ken Bugul's Autobiographical Fiction"

15:00
15:45

Denial and Incitement

Katsuri Chatterjee | *FLAME University, India*

"That-Which-Must-Not-Be-Named: Turkish Denial of the Armenian Genocide, Historical Legacies, and Potential Hopes for Future"

Adam Strater | *Emory University, USA*

"Esau and Amalek in Contemporary Jewish Extremist Rhetoric"

16:00
17:20

Sexual Violence

Sofia Wanström | *Åbo Akademi University, Finland*

"Narrating rape. The use of sexual violence for creating the Other"

Imen El Bedoui | *University of Tunis, Tunisia*

"Raped twice ... a Story to tell ... when Violence is amplified"

Erica Capecchi | *University of Bristol/Cardiff University, UK*

"When Misogyny Meets Racism: Racialised Gender Aesthetics in the Narratives of Today's Italian Far-Right"

WENESDAY, MARCH 17

12:30
15:15

Theme Seminar. Racialised Violence and Comics in the Nordic Region and Beyond

Organized in collaboration with **Anna Vuorinne** and **Laura Antola** (*University of Turku, Finland*), coordinators of the Nordic Summer University network *Comics and Society. Research, Art, and Cultural Politics*.

12:30
13:00

Welcoming words
Laura Antola and **Anna Vuorinne**

13:00
13:50

Part I

Holly May Treadwell | *University of Kent, UK*

"The Bloodthirsty Savage: The Representation of Indigenous Violence in Popular American Comics"

Hege Emma Rimmereide | *Western Norway University of Applied Sciences, Norway*

"Subversive Issues in Graphic Novels"

14:00
15:15

Part II

Mihaela Precup and **Dragoş Manea** | *University of Bucharest, Romania*

"Let's talk about something else!: Perpetration and Incomplete Memory in *Sofia Z-4515*"

Anna Nordenstam and **Margareta Wallin Victorin** | *University of Gothenburg & Karlstad University, Sweden*

"Violence against Women in Comics by Amalia Alvarez"

Oskari Rantala | *University of Jyväskylä, Finland*

"Mass Violence and Narrative Irony in *Suomen suurin kommunisti*"

MONDAY, MARCH 29

15:00 **Introduction**
15:15

15:15 **Keynote Lecture**
16:15

G rard Noiriel | *EHESS, France*
"The Rhetoric of Hate"

16:30 **Propaganda and Incitement**
17:50

Luisa Morettin | *NCI University London, UK*
"The Enemy within. The Power of Anti-Slav Propaganda in Fascist Italy"

Caroline Laurent | *Harvard University, USA*
"Entomological Re-Appropriation of Propagandist Rhetoric: From 'Inyenzi' to 'Phal ne' in Koulsy Lamko"

Olusegun Adeyeri | *Lagos State University, Nigeria*
"Ethnic Propaganda, Hate Speech and Mass Violence in Igbo-Hausa/Fulani Relations in Postcolonial Nigeria"

TUESDAY, MARCH 30

15:00
16:20

Cultural Images of Violence II

Abigail Fields and **Eden Almasude** | *Yale University, USA*
"Afterlives: Reading, speaking, sensing violence"

Guglielmo Scafirimuto | *Université Sorbonne Nouvelle - Paris 3, France*
"Revealing the violence of racist narratives: Kaurismäki's *Le Havre* and *The Other Side of Hope*"

Shatha Almutawa | *American University in Washington, USA*
"Sword of Justice or Sword of Nationalism? Violence and Religion in the Turkish Television Series *Diriliş: Ertuğrul*"

16:40
18:00

Violent Legacies

Molly Andrews | *Helsinki Collegium, Finland*
"I am not proud to be German: East German identity and the legacy of Fascism"

Sarah Minslow | *California State University, USA*
"Narrating Violence in Children's and Young Adult Literature"

Willa Rae Witherow-Culpepper and **Timothy Williams** | *Rutgers University, USA & Bundeswehr University Munich, Germany*
"Never Again? Questioning the link between Holocaust Education and Anti-Racist Outcomes"

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 31

15:00
16:20

Studying Violent Narratives

Narelle Fletcher | *University of Technology Sydney, Australia*
"The Role of the 'Inyenzi' Narrative in the Discourse of Incitement to Genocide in Rwanda"

Daniel Rothenberg | *School of Politics and Global Studies, Arizona, USA*
"The Panic of the *Robaniños*: Gringo Organ Stealers, Narratives of Mistrust, and the Lived Experience of Structural Violence and Genocide"

Silvia Pierosara | *University of Macerata, Italy*
"Between 'Poison' and 'Remedy': On the Structural Ambivalence of Narratives as a φάρμακον (pharmakon, cure) for Violence"

16:40
18:00

Studying Violence: Theory and Methodology I

Sophie Major | *University of California Berkeley, USA*
"Indigenous Political Theory: Explaining Disciplinary Omissions"

Christopher Davey | *Brigham Young University, USA*
"Episodes of Genocide: The Gatumba Lens"

Frank Ojwang | *University of Lapland, Finland*
"Holistic Pre-integration Program at the Refugee Reception Centers as Interventions for Bridging Gaps for Terror and Insecurity in Finland"

18:20
19:10

Studying Violence: Theory and Methodology II

Markku Mattila and **Ari Haasio** | *Migration Institute of Finland & Seinäjoki University of Applied Sciences, Finland*

"Hate speech in Finnish Media During the 1930s and 2010: A Methodological Approach"

Roland Moerland | *Maastricht University, Netherlands*

"Unravelling the DNA of Genocide Denial"

19:20
19:50

Concluding Remarks

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