

Transnational Cities Workshop

April 16-17, 2012

PROGRAM

DAY ONE Monday April 16, 2012 (Robert Gill Theatre, 214 College Street, 3rd floor, St. George Campus)

- 8:30-9:00 Registration and breakfast
- 9:00-9:15 Welcome address: Ato Quayson, University of Toronto (U of T)
- 9:15-9:30 Opening remarks: Kong Chong Ho, National University of Singapore (NUS)

PANEL I

- CHAIR: Ken MacDonald, University of Toronto
- 9:30-9:55 Edhem Eldem, Bogazici University, Istanbul, "The burden of national history on the transnational city"
- 9:55-10:20 Antony Chin, NUS, "The Role of Hinterlands and Sustainable Urban Mobility"
- 10:20-10:45 Anna Shternshis, U of T, "Yiddishland on the Move: Soviet Jewish refugees in Central Asian Cities during World War II"
- 10:45- 11:15 Open Discussion
- 11:15-11.30 Coffee Break

PANEL II

- CHAIR: Natalie Rothman, University of Toronto, Scarborough
- 11:30-11:55 Tracey Skelton, NUS, "Visible Cities/Hidden Citizens: The 'New' Actors in Transnational Cities"
- 11:55-12:20 Kelvin Low, NUS, "Sensing Cities: The Politics of Migrant Sensescapes"
- 12:20-12:55 Jens Hanssen, UofT, "With Schumpeter and Luxemburg in Cairo: Creative Destruction versus the Accumulation of Capital"
- 12:55-1:25 Open Discussion

1:30-2:30 Lunch (participants only)

PANEL III

CHAIR: Ato Quayson, University of Toronto

2:30-2:55 Sree Kumar, NUS, "Social Space and Social Activism: The Politics of the Techno-Class in Bangalore, India"

2:55-3:20 Brenda Yeoh & Shirlena Huang, NUS, "Female Transnational Migrants in the City and the Politics of Carework"

3:20-3:55 Natalie Rothman, U of T, "Beyond metropole and periphery: early modern urban governmentality through a trans-imperial lens"

3:55-4:25 Open Discussion

4:25-4:55 Coffee Break

PANEL IV

CHAIR: Edhem Eldem, Bogazici University Istanbul

4:55-5:20 Valeria Procupez, Johns Hopkins University, "Urban interstices: Buenos Aires squatters and the right to the city"

5:20-5:45 Álvaro Fernández Bravo, NYU-Buenos Aires, "Urban Settings: Museum Traffic, or the City as a Warehouse"

5:45-6:15 Open Discussion

7:00 Dinner, Messis (participants only)

DAY TWO Tuesday April 17, 2012 (Instructional Centre, room 208, 1095 Military Trail, at Scarborough Campus)

8:00 Departure from Holiday Inn for UTSC Campus (participants only)

8:45-9:00 Coffee Break

9:00-9:15 Welcome remarks

PANEL V

CHAIR: Juan Obarrio, Johns Hopkins University

- 9:15-9:40 Ken MacDonald, U of T, "Cheese and the Construction of Transnational Cities"
- 9:40-10:05 Kevin O'Neill, U of T, "Left Behind: Security, Salvation, and the Subject of Prevention"
- 10:05-10:40 Alejandro Paz, UofT, "Settling History in the City of David: Producing a Global Tourist Imaginary in an East Jerusalem Archaeological Site"
- 10:40-11:10 Open Discussion
- 11:10-12:30 Coffee Break

PANEL VI

- CHAIR: Shirlena Huang, National University of Singapore
- 12:30-12:55 Girish Daswani, U of T, "Taking Back Dagenham: Ghanaian Pentecostals in London and Spiritual Warfare"
- 12:55-1:20 Feng Qiushi, NUS, "Dilemma of the Urban Elderly: Physical Health and Leisure-time Activities of Shanghai Elders"
- 1:20-1:50 Open Discussion
- 1:50-2:50 Lunch (participants only)

PANEL VII

- CHAIR: Brenda Yeoh, National University of Singapore
- 2:50-3:15 Juan Obarrio, Johns Hopkins University, "Buenos Aires: City of memory"
- 3:15-3:40 Kong Chong Ho, NUS, "Seeing Singapore in the Borderlands of Southeast Asia"
- 3:40-4:05 Ato Quayson, U of T, "Oxford St., Accra: Trotro Lorry Inscriptions and a Conception of *Nomos*"
- 4:05-4:45 Open Discussion
- 4:45-5:00 Coffee Break
- 5:00-6:30** **Discussion of Transnational Cities Project**
CHAIRS: Ato Quayson, U of T, and Kong Chong Ho, NUS

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