

American Ethnological Society  
Association for Political and Legal Anthropology

Joint Spring Meeting  
Doubletree by Hilton Hotel - Magnificent Mile  
Chicago, Illinois

April 11-13, 2013



Revised Preliminary Program  
(Updated April 5)

Note: This preliminary program lists events and activities currently scheduled for the American Ethnological Society/Association for Political and Legal Anthropology Joint Spring Meeting. Additional activities will be added as details become finalized.

Please contact Program Chair Andrew Buckser (buckser@purdue.edu) if you have any questions or corrections regarding the listed activities.

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### **Thursday Afternoon, April 11**

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#### **Session 1: Workshops 12:00 – 5:45**

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##### **Session T1-1**

**12:00-1:45 ((Superior 2 & 3)**

**Workshop: Conflict and New Media**

Leader: Ilana Gershon (Indiana U)

##### **Session T1-2**

**12:00-1:45 (Huron Room)**

**Workshop: Managing Careers, Balancing Family Life**

Leader: Andrew Buckser (Purdue U)

##### **Session T2-1**

**2:00-5:45 ((Superior 2 & 3)**

**Workshop: Becoming a Practicing Anthropologist**

Leader: Riall Nolan (Purdue U)

##### **Session T2-2**

**2:00-3:45 (Huron Room)**

**Workshop: Methodological and Ethical Issues in the Ethnography of Conflict and Violence**

Leader: Carolyn Nordstrom (U Notre Dame) and Sally Merry (New York U)

##### **Session T2-3**

**4:00-5:45 (Huron Room)**

**Workshop: Engaging Undergraduate Students as Public Anthropologists**

Leader: Rebecca Torstrick (Indiana U – South Bend)

**Session T2-4**

**12:00-1:45 (St. Clair Room)**

**Reading Salon: *Three Bags Full: A Sheep Detective Story*, by Leonie Swann**

Leader: Tracey Heatherington (U Wisconsin - Milwaukee)

Note: Reading salons are small group discussions with limited space, so advance registration is required. Please contact Jessica Hardin at jahardin@brandeis.edu if you are interested in participating.

**Session T2-5**

**4:00-5:45 (St. Clair Room)**

**Reading Salon: *The Rapture of the Nerds*, by Cory Doctorow and Charles Stross**

Leader: Bernard C. Perley (U Wisconsin - Milwaukee)

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**Thursday Evening, April 11**

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Session 2: Opening Plenary and Reception  
6:00 – 9:00

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**Session T3-1**

**6:00-7:30 (Lasalle 2)**

**Opening Plenary**

Presidential Address by Sally Merry (NYU) and Susan Bibler Coutin (UC-Irvine)

“Technologies of Truth in the Anthropology of Conflict.”

Respondent: Elizabeth Mertz (U Wisconsin)

**Session T3-2**

**7:30-9:00 (Lasalle 1)**

Reception

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**Friday Morning, April 12**

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Double Session  
9:00 – 12:45

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**Session F1-1**

**Special Event: Rough Cut Screening of *Exit Zero*  
(Lasalle 1)**

Presented by Filmmakers Christine Walley (MIT) and Chris Boebel

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Session 1  
9:00 – 10:45

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**Session F1-2**

**After the Battle: Dilemmas of Peacemaking, Reconciliation, and Justice in Post-Conflict Settings  
(Superior 1)**

Papers:

Elizabeth Drexler (Michigan State U), “Visible and Invisible Knowledge of Atrocity”

Rachel Daniell (CUNY Graduate Center), “The Body and the ICTY”

Hiromi Hosoya (Seikei U), “Range of ‘Human’ in Human Rights and Human Security: Internal Armed Conflicts, Peacebuilding, and Indigenous People in Peru”

Vasiliki Touhouliotis (New School for Social Research), “Frontlines in Peace-Time: Cluster Bomb Clearance and the Militarization of South Lebanon”

Handle Sarikuzu (Binghamton U), “Compensation for Victims of Terrorism and the Fight Against Terrorism in Turkey: Necropolitics of Friendly Settlement in the Case of Roboski Massacre”

Discussant: Lauren Leve (U North Carolina)

**Session F1-3**  
**School and Campus as a Conflict Zone**  
**(Superior 2)**

Masamichi Inoue (U Kentucky) and Karen Tice (U Kentucky), organizers

Papers:

Karen Tice (U Kentucky), “Enhancing and Branding Student Bodies in Neo-liberal and Post-Feminist Times”

James Gruber (U Michigan - Dearborn) and Susan Fineran (U Southern Maine), “Dueling Paradigms: Bullying, Sexual Harassment, and the 'Degendering' of School Violence”

Rebecca Alexander (Depauw U), “Post-Racial Obamanations: Neoliberal Optimism, Colorblind Multiculturalism and the Production of Violence in a Multiracial High School Classroom”

Masamichi Inoue (U Kentucky), “Policing as Customer Service: An Emerging Mechanism of Security Management on a University Campus in the United States”

Discussant: Beth Goldstein (U Kentucky)

**Session F1-4**  
**Theorizing a Global Civil Society through Latin America**  
**(Lasalle 2)**

Allison Fish (Ohio State U), organizer

Papers:

Allison Fish (Ohio State U) and Katherine Borland (Ohio State U), "The Politics of Resistance and Solidarity: The Place of Gender and Sexuality Rights in Efforts to Refound the Honduran State"

Isabel Scarborough (Parkland C/U Illinois), "Coalescing a New Indigenous Citizenship: Bolivian Market Women Unions in the Morales Era"

Erica Vogel (U Illinois), "Permanently Temporary: Challenging Universal Human Rights Discourse through the Experiences of Undocumented Peruvian Migrants in South Korea"

Andrea Ballesterio (Rice U), Title not submitted – please contact Program Chair

**Session F1-5**  
**Ethnographies of Environmentalism**  
**(Superior 3)**

Papers:

Les Beldo (U Chicago), "The Science Has Ruled": Makah Whaling, Anti-whaling, and the State"

Stacey Enslow (Purdue U), "I Love it Here, Let's Stage a Coup": Inner Organizational Conflict in an Indian International Community"

Melissa Zavala (CUNY Graduate Center), "Rebuilding: Imagining a Different Future"

Danielle Good (U British Columbia), "Not In My Back Yard: A Rethinking of Local Responses to Wind Turbine Projects"

Nicole Labruto (MIT), "The National Commitment": Equivocal Justice in the Social Certificate Governance of Brazilian Ethanol Production"

Discussant: TBD

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**Session F2-1**

**Religious Communities in Conflict: Visibility, Brokenness, Charisma, and Play  
(Superior 2)**

Guy Shalev (U North Carolina), organizer

Papers:

Petra Kuppinger (Monmouth C), "Muslim Communities, Conflict, and the Urban Public Sphere: A Case Study from Germany"

Stephanie Krehbiel, Title not submitted – please contact Program Chair

Guy Shalev (U North Carolina), "Leadership in Conflict: Negotiating Charisma, Knowledge and Coexistence in a Sufi Order in Israel"

Flagg Miller (U California - Davis), "Breakfast before Jihad: Cooking, Laughter, and Mediated Play in Osama Bin Laden's Former Audiotape Collection"

Oguz Alyanek (Washington U – St. Louis), "Ties that Divide: Diaspora Discussions over Religion and Secularism"

**Session F2-2**

**Trouble in Neoliberal Paradise: Managing Conflicts of Value, Expertise, and Political Practice  
(Superior 1)**

Shalini Shankar (Northwestern U) and Jessica Greenberg (U Illinois), organizers

Papers:

Caroline Shuster (Harvard U), "Beyond Neoliberalism as Economic Reform: Politics of (Anti)Regulation in Paraguay"

Jessica Greenberg (U Illinois), "Revolution and Reform: Anti-Authoritarian Politics and the Contradictions of Neoliberal University Reform"

Shalini Shankar (Northwestern U), "Ethnoracial Expertise and Contests of Diversity in American Advertising Production"

Soo Ah Kwon (Webster U), "Moods of Contention: Moving Affects in South Korean Labor Protest"

Discussant: Summerson Carr (U Chicago)

### **Session F2-3**

#### **Human Rights: Conceptions and Interventions (Lasalle 2)**

Papers:

Philip Parnell (Indiana U), "A Rabbit in a Hat: How the Global and Local become the State in Philippine Rights-Making"

Ilse Biel (U New Mexico), "Deploying Discourse: State Violence and Ambiguous Aggression"

Cecilia Salvi (CUNY Graduate Center), "Anti-Trafficking Legislation: NGO Contributions, Interpretations and Negotiations"

Matthew Canfield (New York U), "Claiming Food Sovereignty: The Struggle for Social Justice in the Age of Global Governance"

Alexandra Crampton (Marquette U), "Rejection of Global Purity in the Face of Local Danger: Witches and Wards as People Out of Place"

Discussant: Erica Vogel (U Illinois)

### **Session F2-4**

#### **Making Communities amid Dislocation and Change (Superior 3)**

Papers:

Ben Chappel (U Kansas), "Softball, Victory Capital, and Cultural Resources in Mexican America"

Naomi Adiv (CUNY Graduate Center), "The Harlem Honeys and Bears: Building a Community of Seniors in Public Space"

Alessandro Angelini (CUNY Graduate Center), "From the Enemy's Point of View: Pacification and Play in a Rio de Janeiro"



Rory McCarthy (U Pittsburgh), "It Wasn't Really A CurryFest At All, Was It?: Sikhism, Diasporic Identity and Manifestations of Multiculturalism in Regional Australia"

Stephanie May de Montigny (U Wisconsin - Oshkosh), "The Grand Opera House of Oshkosh, Wisconsin: Building Memory and Community"

Discussant: Kim Shively (Kutztown U)

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**Friday Afternoon, April 12**

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Session 1  
1:00 – 2:45

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**Session F3-1**

**Law, Violence, and Truth in the Age of Human Rights and Democratization  
(Superior 1)**

Ram Natarajan (New York U) and Saygun Gokarikel (CUNY Graduate Center),  
organizers

Katherine Verdery (CUNY Graduate Center), chair

Papers:

Saygun Gokarikel (CUNY Graduate Center), "Seeking Truth in  
Transparency: Facing History and Violence in "Postsocialist" Poland"

Ram Natarajan (New York U), "Life as a Perpetrator: Experiences of  
Indicted Argentine Military Officials"

Jennifer Trowbridge (New York U), "Scales of Social Memory: Forensic  
Investigations, Post-War Truth and Historical Memory"

Tricia Redeker Hepner (U Tennessee), "Massacres, Mass Graves, and the  
Measure of Reconciliation in Northern Uganda"

Discussant: Sally Merry (New York U)

### **Session F3-2**

#### **Geographies of Control: The Cultural Consequences of Checkpoints and Border Controls (Lasalle 1)**

##### Papers:

Eilat Maoz, "Border Contingencies: Privatized Israeli Checkpoints as Productive Political Technology"

Nili Belkind (Columbia U), "Mozart at Qalandiya Checkpoint: The Politics and Aesthetics of a Palestinian Musical Intifada"

Kristin Monroe (U Kentucky), "The Insecure City: Conflict, Difference, and Getting Around Beirut"

Sule Can (Binghamton U), "Contested Cities, Border Conflicts: A Conceptual Framework"

Discussant: Kenneth Guest (Baruch C)

### **Session F3-3**

#### **States of Conflict: Interrogating State Absence and Presence Across Political Divides (Superior 2)**

Larisa Kurtovic (Depaul U) and João Felipe Gonçalves (U Chicago), organizers

##### Papers:

Ivan Arenas (U Illinois - Chicago), "From the Margins of the State to Marginalizing the State in Oaxaca, Mexico"

Nursat Chowdhury (Amherst C), "'Picture-Thinking': State and Citizenship in Bangladesh"

Elizabeth Dunn (U Colorado - Boulder), "The Devil and Authoritarian State Building: Covert State Action in Postwar Georgia"

João Felipe Gonçalves (U Chicago), "Revolution Square: The Spatial Materialization of the Fractal State in Havana"

Larisa Kurtovic (Depaul U), "A Zombie State: On the Politics of Perpetual Deferral in Post-Dayton Bosnia-Herzegovina"

Discussant: John Kelly (U Chicago)

**Session F3-4**

**Reimagining Queer Families  
(Lasalle 2)**

Ellen Lewin (U Iowa) and Evelyn Blackwood (Purdue U), organizers

Papers:

Ellen Lewin (U Iowa), "Dreaming of Home: How Gay Men Co-construct Family and Children"

Franco Lai (Purdue U), "Families We Want: Changing Meanings of Home in Transnational Migrant Circuits"

Evelyn Blackwood (Purdue U), "The Space of Home in the Negotiations of Queer Identities in Indonesia"

Ryan Plis (Purdue U), "'Southern Roots Run Deep': Gender Variance and Families in the Mid-South"

Asli Zengin (U Toronto), "Making Queer Intimacies: Adoptions and Contestations of the Family by Trans Women in Turkey"

Discussant: Mary Weismantel (Northwestern U)

**Session F3-5**

**The Family-Politic: Rethinking the Distinction between Kinship and Politics  
(Superior 3)**

Inna Leykin (Hebrew U) and Jennie Doberne (U Virginia), organizer

Papers:

Jennie Doberne (U Virginia), "'Children Are Not a Luxury': Family Ideologies and Political Protest in Israel"

Susan Ellison (Brown U), "'Words are Carried Off by the Wind': Debt, Conflict, and the Judicialization of Kinship in El Alto"

Julia Kowalski (U Chicago), "Asking-and-Giving: Family Counseling and the Politics of Kinship in Rajasthan"

Inna Leykin (Hebrew U), ““Who do you think you are?” Genealogical Imagination and the “Care for the State” in post-Soviet Russia”

Discussant: Jennifer Cole (U Chicago)

**Session F3-6**

**1:00-2:45**

**Workshop: Proposal Writing for Recent PhD's  
(St. Clair Room)**

Leader: Susan Greenhalgh (Harvard U) and Jeffrey Mantz (NSF)

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Session 2  
3:00 – 4:45

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**Session F4-1**

**Anthropologists in Conflict: Perspectives on the role of Anthropologists in Conflict Zones  
(Superior 1)**

Papers:

Chris Darrouzet (Water Cooler Logic), “Skin in the Game / Communicative Action Between Police and Demonstrators at Direct Action Event”

Matthew Sebastian (DePaul U), ““Are you a researcher? I’d like to tell you my story”: Reflections on the Narration of the Self in (Post) Conflict Environments”

Aliyu Adamu Isa, “The Role of Archaeology in Conflict Resolution in Nigeria”

Elisabeth Jarzen (Saint Xavier U), “Bioarchaeological Warfare: Do Archaeologists Belong in the Trenches?”

Poornima Paidipaty (U Chicago), “Anthropology as Frontier Science: Governance, Violence and Disciplinary Knowledge in South Asia”

Discussant: Louisa Lombard (U California – Berkeley)

**Session F4-2****The Politics of Aesthetic Expression  
(Lasalle 1)****Papers:**

Salvatore Giusto (U Toronto), "Neomelodic Notes: Illicit Aesthetics, Financial Economy, and Criminal Hegemony in Naples, Italy."

Roland Vazquez (Upper Iowa U), "Writing Victims: Post-Terrorist Fiction(s) in the Basque Country and Spain"

Emiko Ohnuki-Tierney (U Wisconsin), "Invisible Power of Destruction: Aesthetic in Militarism"

Doc Billingsley (Washington U – St. Louis), "Narrative Rifts and Wars of Position: Public Commemorations and Collective Memories in Post-War Guatemala"

Alexander Markovic (U Illinois – Chicago), "'Pusto Tursko—Cursed Turkish": Post-Yugoslav Nationalism and the Re-Imagining of Romani Musical Performance in Vranje, Serbia"

Discussant: Susan Lepselter (Indiana U)

**Session F4-3****Anthropological Perspectives on Public Policy  
(Superior 2)****Papers:**

Larry Nesper (U Wisconsin), "Ordering citizenships: Allocating Jurisdiction in State and Tribal Courts in Wisconsin"

Amy Field (New York U), "Accommodating Farm Animals: Rural Livelihoods, Animal Law, and the Human-Animal Boundary in Eastern Germany"

David O'Kane (Max Planck Institute for Social Anthropology), "Building a Private University in Sierra Leone's Northern Province: When National Policy Meets Local Visions"

Nicholas Welcome (U California - Riverside), "Child's Play: Political Malaise and Carnavalesque Citizenship in "Revolutionary" Ecuador"

Maggie McKinley (Harvard U) and Justin Richland (U Chicago), "Lobbying for Attention: Discourse and Attention in Federal Lobbying "Agenda Setting" Practice"

Eva Harman (Princeton U), "Desire for Education, Interdependencies, and Vagaries of Family Life in Post-War Liberia"

Discussant: Diane Nititham-Tunney (National Louis U)

#### **Session F4-4**

##### **Thickening Borderlands (Lasalle 2)**

Ruth Gomberg-Munoz (Loyola U - Chicago), organizer

Papers:

Miguel Diaz-Barriaga (U Texas – Pan American) and Margaret Ellen Dorsey (U Texas – Pan American), "Thickening Security: The Border Wall and Cultural Militarization in South Texas I"

Margaret Dorsey (U Texas – Pan American), "Thickening Security: The Border Wall and Cultural Militarization in South Texas II"

Maura I. Toro-Morn (Illinois State U), "The Complex Geography of Borders in the Heartland: New Immigrant Destinations and Border Thickening"

Ruth Gomberg-Munoz (Loyola U - Chicago), "UndocuLove: Thickening Borders and Kinship Ties"

James Quesada (San Francisco State U), "Negotiating Discrimination: The Daily Encounters of Undocumented Latino Laborers in the United States"

Discussant: Gilberto Rosas (U Illinois)

#### **Session F4-5**

##### **Making Morality: Understandings of Moral Action amid Conflict and Change (Superior 3)**

Papers:

Neriko Doerr (Ramapo C) and Richard Suarez (Ramapo C), "The Allegory of Cold Showers and the Politics of Empathy: Production of Diverse Humanitarian Subjects"

Trine Mygind Korsby (U Copenhagen), "Moral Worlds and Moralized Debates: Traffickers and Pimps in Eastern Romania"

Kim Shively (Kutztown U), "Post-Secularity and Neoliberalism in a Turkish Philanthropic Movement"

Krista Billingsley (U Tennessee), "What is Justice? Examining the Role of Peace Education as a Mechanism of Transitional Justice"

Cassandra Workman (U South Florida), "'Maybe it Would Interest Me if it Were Sustainable': Power and the Ethics of Participation in International Development. A Case study from Lesotho"

Discussant: Kevin Karpiak (Eastern Michigan U)

#### **Session F4-6**

#### **Border Crossings: Conflict on the Edges of Geographical and Conceptual Territories (Huron Room)**

##### **Papers:**

Victoria L. Brown (Binghamton U), "Detention Beyond the Fortress: Migration and Security at the Spanish/Moroccan Border"

Maira Hayat (U Chicago), "Empire's (Dis)Locations in Pakistan: 'Accident' and the 'War on Terror's Pasts'"

Jennifer Curtis (U Edinburgh), "'You Won't Re-Route this Fruit': Queer Activism and Conflict in Northern Ireland"

James Ellison (Dickinson C), "Changing the Course of Belonging: Conflicts Over Water in Tanzania"

Kristin Doughty (U Rochester), "Ethnographic Misunderstanding in Law and Conflict"

Discussant: Jennifer Riggan (Arcadia U)

**Session F4-7**

**Reading Salon: *Murder Leaves Its Mark: A Hawaii Mystery*, by Victoria Nalani Kneubuhl  
(St. Clair Room)**

Leader: Sally Merry (New York U)

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**Friday Evening, April 12**

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Evening Plenary Session  
6:00 – 9:00

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**Session F5-1**

**6:00-7:30**

**(Lasalle 2)**

**Presentation of the Elsie Clews Parsons Award**

Presented by Carol Greenhouse (Princeton U)

**AES Distinguished Lecture**

Address by Carolyn Nordstrom (U Notre Dame)

“Wars of the Future: Invisible Modes of Power”

Respondent: TBD

**Session F5-2**

**7:30-9:00**

**(Lasalle 1)**

Reception

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**Saturday Morning, April 13**

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Double Session  
8:30 – 11:45

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**Session S1-1**

**Interrogating the 'Post-Conflict': Temporality, Affect, and Social Transformation  
(Lasalle 2)**

Amanda Snellinger (U Oxford) and Sara Shneiderman (Yale U), organizers

Papers:

Part One:

Sara Shneiderman (Yale U), "Globalization, Development, and the Politics of State Restructuring in "Post-Conflict" Nepal"

Cabeiri Robinson (U Washington), "Making Azad Kashmir Safe for Tourists: Conflict, Disaster, and Humanitarianism, Inc. in Northern Pakistan"

Lauren Leve (U North Carolina), "Of Conflict and Conversion: Engaging the Post-Conflict Framework through the Lens of Christianity in Nepal"

Sarah Manandhar (U Illinois – Chicago), "Conceptualizing Combatants: The Re-integration of Female Soldiers as Subjects of Study"

Part Two:

Mona Bhan (DePauw U), "Aryan Seed, Virgin Territories: Post-Conflict Imaginaries of Sex and Tourism in Ladakh, Kashmir"

Heather Hindman (U Texas), "Post-Political in the Post-Conflict: Proclamations of a New Nepal after the Constituent Assembly Failure"

Amanda Snellinger (U Oxford), "Losing Hope for the Future: Waiting in Nepal's Post-Conflict Period"

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Session 1  
8:30 – 10:00

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**Session S1-2**

**Fighting for Nature(s): Various Interpretations of Nature in the Context of Environmental Conflicts  
(Lasalle 1)**

Liron Shani (Tel Aviv U and Harvard U), organizer

Papers:

Chad Huddleston (South Illinois U – Edwardsville and St. Louis U),  
““Government on Our Side?”: Conceptions of Nature, Sacredness and Power on Banks Peninsula, New Zealand”

Katherine Fultz (U Michigan), “Classifying Mining Conflicts: Cosmopolitics and Useful Categories in Guatemala”

Liron Shani (Tel Aviv U and Harvard U), “Roots of Natures: Between Land and Environment in the Conflict on Establishment of a New Community in Southern Israel”

Tapoja Chaudhuri (Haverford C), “Converging Environmentalisms and Strategic Alliances in an Indian Tiger Reserve”

David Bond (New School for Social Research), “What is the Environment?”

Discussant: Stacey Enslow (Purdue U)

**Session S1-3**

**Mediated Formalities in Conflict Landscapes: Politics, Economy, and the Law in the Global South  
(State Room)**

Emrah Yildiz (Harvard U), organizer

Papers:

Anand Vaidya (Harvard U), “India's Forest Rights Act and the Long History of The Emergency”

Cagri Yoltar (Duke U), ““Bearing the Cost”: Moral Economy of Insurgency, Welfare and Municipal Politics in Turkey’s Kurdistan”

Emrah Yildiz (Harvard U), “Arrested Mobilities: Making of a “Part-Time” Policeman and Other Liminal Sovereigns across the Syria-Turkey Border”

Nishita Trisal (U California – Santa Cruz), “Aiding Kashmir: Debt and Economic Sovereignty in “Normal” Times”

#### **Session S1-4**

##### **Changing Landscapes of Conflict and Control (Superior 1)**

Papers:

Laurel Monnig (Wright State U), “Proving” Chamorro in the Age of US Military Build-Up on Guam”

Limor Samimian-Darash (Hebrew U) and Meg Stalcup (Washington U – St. Louis), “Re-Conceptualizing Security: Analytic Mapping of Anthropological Discourses on Security”

Micah Morton (U Wisconsin), “Jesus is no ancestor of mine!”: Religious politics and conflicting notions of authenticity among Akha in the Upper Mekong Region

Noah Coburn (Bennington C), “An Ethnography of Intervention in Afghanistan”

Discussant: Masamichi Inoue (U Kentucky)

#### **Session S1-5**

##### **Soldiers as Subjects: New Ethnographies of the Military Experience (Huron Room)**

Papers:

Simon May (U Chicago), “Serving the Nation, Serving The Crown: The Affective Dimensions of British Military Service in the Post-Imperial World”

Kenneth MacLeish (Vanderbilt U), ““Our job is not to decide”: War-making and the limits of “moral injury””

Laura Thurmann (Johannes Gutenberg U Mainz), “Somewhere Between Green and Blue – A Special Police Unit in the DR Congo”

Emily Sogn (New School for Social Research), “The Full-Spectrum Soldier: Cultivating Resilience the US Military”

Discussant: TBD

**Session S1-6**  
**Materializing Democracy**  
**(Superior 2 & 3)**

Nick Copeland (Virginia Tech), organizer

Papers:

Aaron Ansell (Virginia Tech), “Democracy as Metalinguistic Critique: Liberalism and Campaign Propaganda in Northeast Brazil”

Nick Copeland (Virginia Tech), “Killing Indigenous Citizens in Totonicapán: Choreographing State Violence in Democratic Guatemala”

Andrew Graan (U Virginia), “The Referendum and the Boycott: Foreign Oversight and the Voices of Democracy in Post-Conflict Macedonia”

Elina I. Hartikainen (U Virginia and U Chicago), “Democracy through Hierarchy: Religious Deliberation at Brazilian Candomblé Conferences”

Discussant: Kimberley Coles (U Redlands)

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Session 2  
10:15 – 11:45

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**Session S2-1**  
**Belonging in a Transnational World: Papers in Honor of Barbara Yngvesson**  
**(Lasalle 1)**

Michelle Bigenho (Hampshire C) and Ilana Gershon (Indiana U), organizers

Papers:

Michelle Bigenho (Hampshire C), "Introduction"

Carol Greenhouse (Princeton U), "Law and Love"

Rachel Stryker (California State U – East Bay), "Roots, Routes, and Return: Barbara Yngvesson's Exploration of the Self in Transnational Adoption Circuits"

Susan Coutin (U California – Irvine), "Contingent Narratives: Close Readings, Sustained Conversations, and Play"

### **Session S2-2**

#### **Bureaucracy as Practical Ethics: Attending to Moments of Ethical Problematization through Ethnography (State Room)**

Kevin Karpiak (Eastern Michigan U), organizer

Papers:

Katie Hendy (U California – Berkeley), "When the Panopticon must be Blind: Conducting Clinical Trials with Controlled Substances"

Marnie Thomson (U Colorado – Boulder), "Bureaucracies in Conflict: Ethical Problematization in Refugee Protection"

Kevin Karpiak (Eastern Michigan U), "Sense in Work: Making Moral Direction through Police"

Sameena Mulla (Marquette U), "Ethical Subjects in the Vital Politics of Sexual Assault Forensic Intervention"

Discussant: Anya Bernstein (U Chicago)

### **Session S2-3**

#### **Revolutionary Anthropology? Upheaval, Transformation, and the Practice of Ethnography (Superior 1)**

Louisa Lombard (U California – Berkeley), organizer

Papers:

Louisa Lombard (U California – Berkeley), “Revolutionary Ethnography? The Role of the Anthropologist-Expert During Political Upheaval”

Jennifer Riggan (Arcadia U), “Struggling against The Struggle: Conflicted Nationalism, Resistance and Impotence in Eritrea”

Joshua Craze (U California – Berkeley), “The Self-Sacrifice of Speech”

#### **Session S2-4**

##### **Ethnographies of Ritual Contestation and Failure (Superior 2 & 3)**

Jessica Hardin (Brandeis U), organizer

Papers:

Casey Golomski (Brandeis U), “Temperamental Voices: Generational Contest in Zionist Ritual”

Jessica Hardin (Brandeis U), “Engaging the Counterfeit and Developing Worship Style among an Intercessory Prayer Group in Samoa”

Kristin Bloomer (Harvard U), “Double-Trouble: Marian Spirit Possession, Authenticity, and Ritual Contestation in Tamil Nadu, South India”

Elizabeth Brummel (U Chicago), ““I tried to picture him as me”: Narrative Embedding in Neo- Pentecostal Salvation Narratives in Kenya”

Kaori Hatsumi (Kalamazoo C), “Tamil Catholic Easter in Postwar Sri Lanka”

Discussant: Andrew Buckser (Purdue U)

#### **Session S2-5**

##### **Contested Visions of Person and Justice in the Legal Process (Huron Room)**

Papers:

Jessica Cooper (Princeton U), “Psychological Citizenship at the Costa County Mental Health Court”

Kristen Drybread (U São Paulo), “When Murder Makes a Man”

Robin Conley (Marshall U), "Agents of the State: Jurors' Negotiations of Accountability in Death Penalty Decisions"

Rocío Magaña (Rutgers U), "Rollover Deaths: Ruling over Migrant Accidents and Wrongdoing on the U.S.-Mexico Border"

Anna Offit (Princeton U), "Getting out of Jury Duty: Subverting Law through Language"

Discussant: TBD

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### **Saturday Afternoon, April 13**

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Double Session  
12:00 – 3:45

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#### **Session S3-1**

#### **Responsibility: Cultural Constructions of Agency and Conflict (Lasalle 2)**

Ilana Gershon (Indiana U), organizer

Papers:

Jane Goodman (Indiana U), "Theatrics of Citizenship in Algeria"

Heath Cabot (C Atlantic), "Tragedy, Ethical Complexity, and Service Provision in the Greek Asylum "Crisis""

David Sutton and Leonidas Vournelis (Southern Illinois U), "Debt and Responsibility in the Greek Crisis"

Sarah Bakker (U California – Santa Cruz), "Moral Citizenship and the Crisis of Multiculturalism: Middle Eastern Christian Perspectives on Responsibility and Freedom in the Netherlands"

Bernie Perley (U Wisconsin – Milwaukee), "Parsing "Responsibility" in Native American Language Revitalization Across Generations"

Susan Lepselter (Indiana U), "Looks Like a Bomb Went Off in Here: Hoarding Stories in an Age of Disaster"

Summerson Carr (U Chicago), "The Battle of the Bedbugs (or, The Infestation of Frontline American Social Work)"

Ilana Gershon (Indiana U), "Every Time We Type Goodbye: Heartbreak American-style"

Discussant: Kimberley Coles (U Redlands)

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Session 1  
12:00 – 1:45

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**Session S3-2**  
**Dilemmas of Law and Belonging in Contemporary Islam**  
**(Superior 1)**

Papers:

Aisha Ghani (Stanford U), "Conjuring Islam: When Islam Speaks in Terrorism Courts"

Aria Nakissa (Brandeis U), "Ethical Discipline and Legal Interpretation at Egypt's al-Azhar"

Garrison Doreck (U California – Irvine), "Contesting Cartographic Surveillance: Muslim Rights Mobilization in Los Angeles"

Isra El-beshir (Wayne State U), "Loyal Americans and Faithful Servants: The Struggle for Belonging and Identifying"

Ather Zia (U California – Irvine), "The Good Half Widow: Women in Search of the Disappeared Men in Kashmir"

Discussant: Petra Kuppinger (Monmouth C)

**Session S3-3**  
**Politicking for a Compromised Future**  
**(Lasalle 1)**



Eli Thorkelson (U Chicago), organizer

Papers:

Chelsey Kivland (Dartmouth C), "In Defense of Defense: When Development Teleology meets Militant Longing in Urban Haiti"

Eric Hirsch (U Chicago), "Investing in Indigeneity: Utopia and the Everyday Language of Andean Development"

Jeremy Siegman (U Chicago), "Imaging Palestinian Futures"

Jay Schutte (U Chicago), "Sino-African 'Cosmopolitans' and the Chronotope of Aspirational History"

Averill Leslie (U Chicago), "Valorized, Vigorous, and Sidelined: Vermont Town Meeting in a Privatizing Age"

#### **Session S3-4**

#### **The Meanings of Violence: Ethnographic Studies of the Constructions and Consequences of Violent Action (State Room)**

Papers:

Pinky Hota (Smith C), "Conflict and Legacies of Colonial Law: A View from Kandhamal"

Beverly Stoeltje (Indiana U), "Verbal Violence: The "Indiscriminate Invocation" of Curse in Conflict Situations"

Erika Robb Larkins (U Oklahoma), "Torture, Transparency, and the Twitter Police Beat in Rio de Janeiro"

Carole Blackburn (U British Columbia), "The Violence of Recognition: Post-Traumatic Stress and Therapeutic Governance in Residential School Litigation"

Discussant: Wendy Vogt (Indiana U-Purdue U – Indianapolis)

#### **Session S3-5**

#### **Conflicting Understands of Person and the Body in the Medical Arena**

**(Huron Room)**

Papers:

Lu Wang, "Culture, Power and Conflict: Case Studies of Doctor-Patient Relationship in a Chinese Hospital"

Julie Gunnigle (Phoenix School of Law) and Bridget McGann (Indiana U-South Bend), "Cesareans, Fear of Litigation, and the Ritual Sacrifice of Evidence-Based Care: A Crisis of Maternal-Infant Rights in the United States (and Why we Need Anthropologists on the Job)"

Amy Cooper (Muhlenberg C), "Conflicts over Care in Venezuelan Neighborhood Clinics: Lessons for a Changing Medical Landscape in the U.S."

Rebecca Upton (DePauw U), "The Conflicts of Cutting: Contemporary Ethics and Historical Ironies of Male Circumcision in Botswana"

Andrea Ford (U Chicago), "Cows for Sale and Milk for Free: Gifts, Commodities, Body, and Species in Emerging Breast Milk Technologies"

Discussant: TBD

**Session S3-6**

**The Anthropology of Protest  
(Superior 2 & 3)**

Papers:

David Armiak (U Wisconsin), "Candles over Molotovs: Korean Youth and the Struggle Against Neoliberalism"

Amy Samuelson (U Wisconsin – Milwaukee), "The Reemergence of Protest in Romania: An Ethnographic Account"

Joyce Dalsheim (U North Carolina – Charlotte), "Unusual Convergences: Protest, Peace, and "Other Spaces" in Israel/Palestine"

Christine Folch (Wheaton C), "Contested Accounts and Conspiracy Theories: Protesting Energy Debt, Narrating the Paraguayan Nation"

Li-Jen Huang, "No invasion of the Palan site? Taking Action to Protect My Home"

Discussant: Ivan Arenas (U Illinois – Chicago)

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Session 2  
2:00 – 3:45

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**Session S4-1**  
**The Cultural Politics of Economic Production**  
**(Superior 1)**

Papers:

Jo Recht (U Pittsburgh), "Protecting and Promoting "Traditional Culture": Economic and Legal Strategies in the Pacific"

David Sandell (Texas Christian U), "Mexican Political Economy: Tracking Power and Social Angst through the León Shoe Industry"

Helen Panagiotopoulos (CUNY Graduate Center), "Maid to Work: A Paradigm of Domination and Captivity"

Daniel Welsh (DePauw), "Social Change in a Changing Climate: Development and Agricultural Production in the Peruvian Andes"

Discussant: Mona Bhan (DePauw U)

**Session S4-2**  
**Parody and Sincerity in Contemporary Political Culture**  
**(Lasalle 1)**

Angelique Haugerud (Rutgers U), organizer

Papers:

Victorial Bernal (U California – Irvine), "Please Forget Democracy and Justice: Eritrean Politics and the Powers of Humor"

Maria Vidart-Delgado (Rice U), "Dirty Jokes about Clean Politics: Satire and Pragmatism within Electoral Political Networks in Colombia"

Neringa Klumbyte (Miami U – Ohio), "Of Power and Laughter: Political Intimacy, Trust, and Affective Citizenship in Lithuania"

Noelle Mole (New York U), "Trusted Puppets, Tarnished Politicians: Humor and Cynicism in Berlusconi's Italy"

Discussant: Constantine Nakassis (U Chicago)

### **Session S4-3**

#### **Forced Unemployment in Anthropological Perspective (State Room)**

Caitrin Lynch (Olin C), organizer

Papers:

Carrie Lane (California State U – Fullerton), "Ambivalence and Contradiction in High-Tech Workers' Responses to Unemployment"

Joshua Fisher (High Point U), "The Unemployed Cooperative"

Jong Bum Kwan (Webster U), "Moods of Contentment: Moving Affects in South Korean Labor Protest"

Caitrin Lynch (Olin C), "Disability and the End of Work: Early Retirement or Forced Unemployment?"

Claudia Strauss (Pitzer C), "Positive thinking about being out of work: Southern California in the Great Recession"

### **Session S4-4**

#### **People in Motion: Refugees and Migrants in a New World of Conflict (Huron Room)**

Papers:

Emily A. Lynch (U Texas), "Precarious Labor: Employment Prospects for Congolese Refugees in Rwanda"

Daniel Manson (U British Columbia), "Strangers by Sea: Crafting of a 'Well-Grounded' Fear"

Mary Elizabeth Schmid (U Kentucky), “Los Otros Lados: Transnational Agrarian Livelihoods”

Paul Mutsaers (Tilburg U) and Hans Siebers (Tilburg U), “The Migrant-Hostile Politics of Ethno-Territorial Homogeneity in The Netherlands”

Wendy Vogt (Indiana U-Purdue U – Indianapolis), “The War on Drugs is a War on Migrants: Undocumented Central Americans Crossing Mexico”

Discussant: Maura Toro-Morn (Illinois State U)

#### **Session S4-5**

##### **Conflict through Care: Clashes between Global Youth, Families and the Law (Superior 2 & 3)**

Lauren Heidbrink (National Louis U) and Michele Statz (U Washington), organizers

Papers:

Anita Maddali (Northern Illinois U), “Identity and Belonging: Encarnacion Bail Romero’s Child Custody Battle and the Termination of Parental Rights of Undocumented Immigrant Parents”

Lauren Heidbrink (National Louis U), “Collisions of Debt and Interest: Youth Negotiations of (In)debt(ed) Migration and the Best Interests of the Child”

Michele Statz (U Washington), “The Cause, and Costs, of Legal Advocacy: Lawyering on Behalf of Unaccompanied Chinese Youth”

Diana Nititham-Tunney (National Louis U), “Liminality, Migration, and Immigration Policy”

Discussants: Lauren Heidbrink (National Louis U) and Michele Statz (U Washington)

#### **Session S4-6**

##### **Reading Salon: *Cop Killer*, by Maj Sjöwall and Per Wahlöö (St. Clair Room)**

Leader: Barbara Yngvesson (Hampshire C)

Note: Reading salons are small group discussions with limited space, so advance registration is required. Please contact Jessica Hardin at jahardin@brandeis.edu if you are interested in participating.

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**Saturday Evening, April 12**

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Evening Plenary Session  
4:00 – 7:00

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**Session S5-1**

**4:00 – 5:30**

**APLA Distinguished Lecture  
(Lasalle 2)**

Address by Katherine Verdery (CUNY-Graduate Center)

“The Invisible Powers of the Romanian Secret Police”

Respondent: TBD

**Session S6-2**

**5:45 – 7:00**

Closing reception at American Bar Foundation