

# History and Theory – Early Modern Colloquium Series 2022/2023

In this series, we address theoretical perspectives and historical topics that go beyond the divide between slavery/freedom. In our first set, we discuss *agency*, the *body*, *experience*, *resources*, *creolization*, and *trauma* as categories in researching string asymmetrical dependencies as reciprocal sets of interdependencies.

We offer a bibliography and texts for individual preparation (see QR code) and invite one speaker who will discuss the theoretical text in relation to their research.



**October 25<sup>th</sup>**

## **On Agency and Social Death**

Walter Johnson, On Agency, in: *Journal of Social History* 37/1 (2003), pp. 113-124.

Orlando Patterson, *Slavery and Social Death. A Comparative Study* with a new preface, Cambridge/Massachusetts 2018.

Speaker Stephan Conermann

**November 08<sup>th</sup>**

## **On Trauma/Vulnerability Studies**

Marianne Hirsch, Vulnerable Times, in: Judith Butler/Zeynep Gambetti/Leticia Sabsay (eds.), *Vulnerability in Resistance*, Durham/London 2016, pp. 76-96.

Giorgio Agamben: *Infancy and History. The Destruction of Experience*. [1978/1993]

Speaker Claudia Jarzebowski

**November 22<sup>nd</sup>**

## **Creolizing Identities: Dependency, Body, Resistance**

Stuart Hall, Old and New Identities, Old and New Ethnicities, in: Stuart Hall, *Essential Essays, Volume 2: Identity and Diaspora*, Durham 2018, pp. 63-82.

Eduard Glissant, *Introduction to a Poetics of Diversity*, Liverpool 2020, pp. 3-17, 37-51.

Speaker Eva Lehner

**January 10<sup>th</sup>**

## **On Ownership**

Eva von Redecker, Ownership's Shadow: Neoauthoritarianism as Defense of Phantom Possession, in: *Critical Times* 3/1 (2020), pp. 33-67.

Speaker Danitza L. Márquez Ramírez

**January 24<sup>th</sup>**

## **On Resources**

Karl Marx, *Economic and Philosophical Manuscripts*. From Early Writings, translated by Rodney Livingstone and Gregor Benton, New York 1992, pp. 279-400, esp. 325-31.

Speaker Jennifer Leetsch

**February 7<sup>th</sup>**

## **Wrap-up: Theoretical perspectives and *Common Ground* in Dependency Studies**

The sessions will take place on Tuesdays, 6-8 pm in Niebuhrstr. 5, 53113 Bonn – in the conference room of the BCDSS. We aim at bringing together students, PhD-students (the sessions are eligible for credit points – get in touch), postdoctoral members of the BCDSS, the Principal Investigators and Cluster Professors, along with other colleagues in the respective fields.

The series is run by Joseph Biggerstaff, Claudia Jarzebowski, Eva Lehner and Julia Schmidt.

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