

# NOG



## Netherlands Research School of Gender Studies

### Newsletter

Dear all,

With this newsletter we wish to inform you of relevant events, paper calls, new releases and scholarships.

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### Conferences / Courses / Lectures

#### **RMA Gender and Ethnicity highest ranking in CHIO Keuzegids Masters 2013 (Utrecht University, NL)**

The 'Keuzegids Masters' is issued each year and aims to help prospective students choose a study programme at a particular University. The rankings of the local programmes are based on students' judgements, success rates and visitation reports. The UU research master Gender and Ethnicity gets the highest ranking withing the category of programmes on Arts and Culture studies at both UU and other Dutch universities.

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#### **Doing Gender Lecture Susan Stryker: May 30 (Utrecht University, NL)**

In the spring of 2013 the Netherlands Research School of Gender Studies (NOG) in cooperation with Graduate Gender Programme (GGeP) at Utrecht University organises a tenth round of the series of lectures entitled Doing Gender. On May 30 Susan Stryker will give a Doing Gender Lecture. Susan Stryker is Associate Professor of Gender and Women's Studies and Director of the Institute for LGBT Studies at the University of Arizona. Stryker will use the career of the 1950s transsexual icon Christine Jorgensen to explore identity, embodiment, technology and representation. Eliza Steinbock (Centre for Gender and Diversity, Maastricht University) will give a response. Stryker's Doing Genderlecture, entitled 'Christine in the Cutting Room' will be held from 14-16hrs at Utrecht and is free and open to the public. Note: [registration by email](#) is necessary.

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#### **Colonial Legacy Conference: 'Treaty of Utrecht: 1713 – 1863 – 2013' (Utrecht University, NL)**

The Centre for the Humanities (Utrecht University) is organising 'The Colonial Legacy' conference from 21-22 June 2013. This conference links the commemoration of the Treaty of Utrecht in 1713, to the abolition of Slavery by the Dutch in 1863. Over the course of two days, distinguished academics such as Paul Gilroy, Achille Mbembe and Catherine Hall will delve into the legacy of the Treaty of Utrecht, the history of slavery, the state of slavery today and the connections between

them. The conference will take you from history and philosophy, to anthropology and post-colonialism, transnational memories and transitional justice. In a great number of interdisciplinary lectures and panels, scholars will examine the lasting legacy of slavery and the persistent presence of human trafficking in the contemporary world. Speakers include: prof. Rosi Braidotti, dr. Philomena Essed, prof. Halleh Ghorashi, dr. Françoise Vergès, prof. Gert Oostindie, prof. Kevin Bales, prof. Michael Rothberg, dr. Rutvica Andrijasevic.

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### **Seriously DIEP (Utrecht, NL)**

*Seriously DIEP* is part of the DIEP Festival 2013, a festival of gender and sexuality against the grain. Taking place a week before the festival, on June 8th, *Seriously DIEP* will give its participants a chance to get academically involved in out-of-the-box exploration of the topic of masculinity. We dive into questions about masculinity during an interdisciplinary pop-up university *Seriously DIEP* together with artists, activists and academics from different fields. Starting with a 'keynote conversation' by Dr. Murat Ademyr, the event will move to 'dialogue labs' that will include, among others, Dr. Eliza Steinbock, photographer Emilie Jouvett, film maker Gala Vanting and sexologist Peter Leusink. We invite you to join them in exploring masculinity in all his/her/its multifaceted variety. *Seriously DIEP* will take place in Das Spectrum, Utrecht, from 10 - 5.30PM and will cost 15 euros, 10 for students.

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### **Summer School 'Slavery: The Past and Present of Social (Un)Justice. Introducing the Decolonial Option' (University College Roosevelt, Middelburg, NL)**

The 4th edition of the Middelburg Decolonial Summer School focuses on 'Slavery: The Past and Present of Social (Un) Justice' and is designed to investigate the logic and presupposition of Global Un-Justice in the modern/colonial world, from 1500 to 2000. There will be paid special attention to emerging projects, parallel to the decoloniality option, who are working toward overcoming the legacies of the Colonial difference and more generally the South-North divide. If un-justice operates at all levels of the socio-economic and cultural spectrum, from economy to politics, from religion to aesthetics, from gender and sexuality to ethnicity and racism, and above all, in the control of knowledge, the decolonial task, that of overcoming coloniality requires the participation of many people in many areas of knowing and doing. Activists, artists, scholars, journalists will, among others, contribute to the goals of the 4th edition of the Decolonial Summer School in Middelburg.

**Deadline** for registration is June 14, 2013.

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### **Summer School 'Language, gender, and sexuality: Discourses of precarious citizenship in precarious times - the Balkan experience' (Lesvos island, GRC)**

LAGESEC 2013 is an interdisciplinary summer school focusing on language, gender, and sexuality and its implications for citizenship in the geopolitical area of the Balkans. It brings together scholars from a variety of fields in the humanities and the social sciences in an attempt to enhance dialogue among researchers in linguistics, anthropology, gender/sexuality studies, and Balkan studies. The major goal is to familiarize students with the fact that the national narratives produced in the Balkans (and elsewhere) are simultaneously gendered, sexed, and ethnic as well as linguistic. It is the indexical relations holding between these which inform LAGESEC 2013.

**Deadline** for registration is June 5, 2013.

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### **Rosi Braidotti has received honorary doctorate from Linköping university**

Distinguished Professor Rosi Braidotti has received an honorary doctorate in philosophy from the university of Linköping, Sweden, on May 17th. The university bestows the high distinction of Doctor of Philosophy honoris causa on her for her groundbreaking philosophical work, in particular in the field of gender studies. Rosi Braidotti is founder and director of the Centre for the Humanities

at Utrecht University.

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### PhD InterGender Course September 2013 (University of Helsinki, FI)

The Finnish National Gender Studies Doctoral Program together with InterGender (Swedish-International Research School in Interdisciplinary Gender Studies) announce the course 'Studying Feminist Thinkers and Texts' which will take place from 9 September until 9 December 2013. The course will focus on methodological challenges encountered by those who study feminist thinkers and texts in their doctoral projects. The teachers will be Tuija Pulkkinen (Professor of Gender Studies, University of Helsinki, Finland), Clare Hemmings (Professor of Feminist Theory, London School of Economics and Political Science, UK) and Moya Lloyd (Professor of Political Theory, Loughborough University, UK).

**Deadline** for application is June 20, 2013

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### Peace of Minds Academy

Are you a student and do you want to gain experience in the field of international cooperation and peacebuilding? Register than for the third Peace of Minds Academy organized by Upact. Join in and work with fellow students and local organizations from (post-) conflict areas on the issues such as election violence, financial sustainability of organizations and the position of women in conflict situations. Learning by doing is what Peace of Minds Academy is all about. Learn about crowdfunding and project management, solution-oriented thinking, and develop leadership skills and strategic networks in an international context. The programme will start with a summer course from 19-23 August and will run until December 2013.

**Deadline** for registration is June 3, 2013

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## Fellowships / Vacancies

### Research Fellowships (Macquarie University, AUS)

Macquarie University will offer up to six full-time postdoctoral research fellowships, commencing January 1, 2014. Eligibility: PhD awarded on or after March 1, 2010, or proposed thesis submission date by August 28, 2013. It is a full-time, fixed-term (three years) appointment.

**Deadline** for expressions of interest closes at June 12, 2013 at 5pm AEST.

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### COST Grants for Short Term Research Visits and PhD Summer Schools

COST Network The Dynamics of Virtual Work offers opportunities to publish, to present ongoing research and to network through general activities of the Working Groups and by organizing specific events and grant opportunities. The Netherlands is part of this network through the Institute for Gender Studies, Radboud University Nijmegen and Amsterdam University. Grants are available for short term visits and summer schools.

Limited numbers of funded places are still available for PhD and Post-doctoral researchers to attend Summer Schools on Virtual Work this year, funded by COST (European Cooperation in Science and Technology). These will be held in Bulgaria, July 22-26 and in Malta, September 16-20.

A short-term scientific mission is a visit from an ESR based in one COST participating country to an institute in another COST participating country. This could be to work on a jointly authored article, to carry out fieldwork, to learn a new research method, to work on a joint research proposal or any other activity linked to your research on the dynamics of virtual work.

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## Calls for Papers

### Conference 'Family Life in the Age of Migration and Mobility' (Norrköping, SWE)

Call for posters and short talks for conference 'Family Life in the Age of Migration and Mobility' on 16-20 September 2013 in Norrköping in Sweden. PhD students, post-doctoral researchers and established scholars are invited to submit abstracts for short talks and poster session, relating to the general topic of the conference or to one of the three conference themes (multi-local family lives in national and transnational contexts, the globalisation of reproduction and social reproduction across the family-life cycle, and national, supranational and transnational policies and laws relating to family life in an age of migration and mobility). A limited number of grants is available.

**Deadline** for abstracts is June 1, 2013

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### Edited Collection 'Tensions of Rhetorics and Realities' in 'Critical Diversities'

Alexa Athelstan, Nichole Edwards, Mercedes Pöll and Sanaz Raji from the University of Leeds, warmly invite your contributions to their edited collection entitled 'Tensions of Rhetorics and Realities'. This book will be submitted to the Routledge series 'Advances in Critical Diversities' (eds. Yvette Taylor and Sally Hines). The book seeks to investigate and theorize the spaces of conflict, discrepancy, contradiction or difficulty that can arise when dealing with discourses and practices, policies and lived experiences, theories and methodologies, individuals or communities.

**Deadline** for abstracts is June 10, 2013

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### Gender and Knowledge/Science in East-Central-Europe (Marburg, DE)

Call for papers for the Annual meeting on December 12 and 13, 2013. The conference is organized by the Leibniz Graduate School for Cultures of Knowledge in Central European Transnational Context in cooperation with the Professorship for Contemporary European History since 1945 at the University Siegen. Keynote speakers are Prof. Dr. Theresa Wobbe (University of Potsdam) and Prof. Dr. Bozena Choluj (European University Viadrina, Frankfurt/Oder). Speakers interested in the thematic sections (gender specific cultures of knowledge and knowledge production, academic careers and gender, intersectionality of the categories gender, ethnicity, class, religion and knowledge orders in East Central Europe) are invited to submit proposals for 20-minute presentations. Note: the conference will be bilingual (English and German) and there will be no simultaneous translation.

**Deadline** for abstracts is June 17, 2013

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**Deadline** for submitting the abstracts through [the conference website](#) is June 1, 2013

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### Conference '1984: Freedom and Censorship in the Media - Where Are We Now?' (University of Sunderland, UK)

Call for papers for the conference '1984: Freedom and Censorship in the Media - Where Are We Now' hosted at the Centre for Research in Media and Cultural Studies at the University of Sunderland on the 8th and 9th of April 2014. Keynote speakers are Prof. Martin Barker, University of East Anglia and Prof. Julian Petley, Brunel University. We invite submissions that explore issues relating to censorship which may be specific to the history, implementation and legacies of the Video Recordings Act, but we also welcome papers which examine media regulation/censorship in their broader cultural contexts, which are national and international in focus and which draw connections between contemporaneous issues and their historical antecedents. **Deadline** for [sending](#) the abstract is December 1, 2013

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### Objects of Remembrance

Call for proposals for a collection of essays - to be published as a special issue of the Journal of Decorative and Propaganda Arts (DAPA) - that address objects of remembrance during the modern era. Our aim is to promote an interdisciplinary approach to objects that served as carriers of memory. Essays may explore such dimensions as design, decoration, manufacture, dissemination, and marketing, as well as the meanings and affective attachments that objects acquire once they have passed into the hands of their owners. Contributions from any field in the humanities - including history, art history, design history, cultural studies, gender studies, anthropology, ethnography, and others - are welcome.

**Deadline** for abstracts is May 31, 2013

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### Al-Raida, non-thematic issue of Al-Raida, Summer/Fall 2013

Call for papers for Al-Raida, an interdisciplinary, double-blind peer reviewed journal published twice yearly by the Institute for Women's Studies in the Arab World (IWSAW) at the Lebanese American University (LAU). Al-Raida seeks to publish papers on topics across a wide range of academic disciplines that raise women and gender issues in historical and contemporary contexts. Al-Raida also seeks to create links across the conventional divides of scholarship and activism; "Western" and "Third World" feminisms; and to be a platform for young scholars and activists based in the Arab world. In line with the above aims, Al-Raida welcomes contributions not only from academics and researchers but also from activists and practitioners.

**Deadline** for sending the complete manuscripts to [Ms. Myriam Sfeir](#) is June 1, 2013

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### Al-Raida, Women and Public Health in the Arab World

Call for papers for Al-Raida, an interdisciplinary, double-blind peer reviewed journal published twice yearly by the Institute for Women's Studies in the Arab World (IWSAW) at the Lebanese American University (LAU). This special issue of Al-Raida on Women's Health in the Arab World calls for papers addressing women's health and experiences of health care in the Arab region, in the context of these changing, and increasingly westernized, health systems. Our hope is to consider health from an interdisciplinary perspective as a site of contestation where local and global cultural, political, and economic forces compete, and often stand in opposition to women's agency. In addition to academic papers we would also like to include critical pieces, testimonials, personal essays, interviews, short stories, poems, conference reports, and book reviews.

**Deadline** for complete manuscripts is June 10, 2013

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## PhD Defenses

## PhD Defense Sanne Koevoets (Utrecht University, NL)

**Date:** Friday June 14, 2013 at 14.30 hrs

**Location:** Academiegebouw, University Utrecht (Domplein 29)

**Title:** Into the labyrinth of power and knowledge: The library as a gendered space in the western imaginary'

**Supervisors:** Prof. dr. Rosemarie Buikema and Prof. dr. Svetlana Slapsak

**Registration:** no registration; free entrance

Libraries are strange places: they bear the promise of unlimited access to the truth, but also appear as impenetrable labyrinths where the truth always seems to be just out of reach. At least, that is how libraries are commonly imagined throughout western literature and popular culture. However, paradoxically, new digital technologies simultaneously seem to reawaken the dream of a universal library. The simultaneous fantasy and fear of the library, as I argue in my dissertation, is intertwined with modern rationality: its aspirations, its discontents, and its gender politics.

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## New Releases

### Book 'Performing Memory in Art and Popular Culture'

The Institute for Gender Studies of the Radboud University Nijmegen proudly presents a new book: 'Performing Memory in Art and Popular Culture', edited by Liedeke Plate and Anneke Smelik.

Authors combine a methodological focus on memory as performance with a theoretical focus on art and popular culture as practices of remembrance. The essays in the book thus analyze what is at stake in the complex processes of remembering and forgetting, of recollecting and disremembering, of amnesia and anamnesis, that make up cultural memory.

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