

Newsletter

Dear all,

With this newsletter we wish to inform you about relevant events, fellowships/vacancies and calls for papers.

The NOG-team, Prof. dr. Rosemarie Buikema, Trude Oorschot and Vibeke Otter

Conferences / Courses / Lectures / Events

Ann Cvetkovich in Doing Gender Lecture Series Spring 2015 (Utrecht University, NL) In the spring of 2015 the Netherlands Research School of Gender Studies (NOG) in cooperation with the Graduate Gender Programme (GGeP) at Utrecht University organizes the fourteenth round of the Doing Gender Lecture Series. These lectures stress the importance of doing gender work combined with an active involvement in the practice of gender theory and research. Prof. Ann Cvetkovich (University of Texas at Austin) will give a lecture on Monday March 23, on 'Archival Turns and Queer Affective Methods'. The Doing Gender Lectures take place in Utrecht and are free of charge. Upcoming Gender Lectures: Doing Laura Mulvey (Birkbeck, University of London) Prof. on May 22, 2015. Associate Prof. Jennifer Wagner-Lawlor (Pennstate University, USA) in May 2015. **Registration** via <u>email</u> is not compulsory, but highly appreciated.

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NOISE Summer School 2015 "Biopolitics, Necropolitics, Cosmopolitics: Feminist and Queer Interventions" (Utrecht University, NL)

The NOISE Summer School (organized by Netherlands Research School of Gender Studies) will be held from August 24-28, 2015 in Utrecht. The 2015 edition is coordinated by dr. Kathrin Thiele and dr. Christine Quinan (both Utrecht University). This year NOISE will introduce you to cutting-edge scholarship at the intersection of media and cultural studies, social sciences, gender studies, and the arts. The relation between discursive strategies and their socio-political effects on both local and global scales will be explored. We will focus upon the mechanisms that mobilize biopolitics within academic spheres whilst simultaneously attending to strategies employed in artistic and activist interventions through law, literature, media, science studies, and the arts.

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Symposium 'Bodies, Borders, Archives: Spaces of Knowledge Contestation and Affective Transactions' (Utrecht University, NL) On Monday March 23, 2015 the symposium 'Bodies, Borders, Archives: Spaces of Knowledge Contestation and Affective Transactions', organized by Dr. Marta Zarzycka (UU), takes place at Utrecht University. This one-day symposium investigates a variety of spaces—historical archives, online image repositories, geographical zones marked by conflict—that are marked by more or less visible and formalized lines of separation, difference, and division. Along and across these lines, the contestation of established fields of knowledge and formation of new ones take place simultaneously with affective transactions between people, objects, and histories. The aim of the symposium is to trace how feminist/queer/postcolonial theories account for these processes.

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Dr. Hendrik **Mullerpriis** aedraasmaatschappiiwetenschappen voor en De Koninklijke Nederlandse Akademie van Wetenschappen (KNAW) nodigt u van harte uit om wetenschappers te nomineren voor de Dr. Hendrik Mullerprijs voor gedrags- en maatschappijwetenschappen 2015. De Dr. Hendrik Mullerprijs is bestemd voor een onderzoeker of een team van onderzoekers die een belangrijke of waardevolle bijdrage heeft geleverd aan de gedrags- en maatschappijwetenschappen. De prijs, die om het jaar wordt uitgereikt, bedraagt 25.000 euro en wordt gefinancierd door het Dr. Hendrik Muller Vaderlandsch Fonds. De vindt plaats tijdens een KNAW-symposium op 14 december 2015. prijsuitreiking Deadline voor het indienen van nominaties is 1 mei 2015.

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Sandra Ponzanesi appointed as Professor of Gender and Postcolonial Studies (Utrecht University, NL)

On February 1, 2015, Prof. Sandra Ponzanesi has been appointed as Professor of Gender and Postcolonial Studies, with a special focus on research. She will hold this chair for the coming five years. Ponzanesi works at the Gender Graduate Programme of the Department of Media and Culture Studies. Since August 2013, she is also Head of Humanities at Utrecht University College (UCU). She has led several international research projects, among which the High Potential project, *Wired Up* (2007-2012); the 7th European Framework *Mig@net* (2010-2013) and the NWO *Postcolonial Europe Network* (2011-2014). As a visiting professor, Ponzanesi spent time at UCLA and the University of California, Riverside. Recently she was a Gemma fellow at Rutgers University. Currently, she is the director of the <u>Postcolonial Studies Initiative</u>, which she also founded and is supported by the focus area <u>Culture</u>, <u>Citizenship and Human Rights</u>. Her research activities combine gender analysis with postcolonial critique from a comparative and interdisciplinary perspective, ranging from comparative literature to (new) media studies and European migration studies.

She has published widely in the field of postcolonial studies at the crossroads of other disciplines. Her most recent publications are *The Postcolonial Cultural Industry* (Palgrave, 2014) and *Gender, Globalization and Violence* (Routledge, 2014). She has co-edited several volumes among which *Postcolonial Cinema Studies* (2012) and *Deconstructing Europe* (Routledge, 2012) and guest edited several special issues, the most recent being *Digital Crossings in Europe* (2014).

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Fellowships / Vacancies

Two fully funded PhD positions in Gender Studies (Södertörn University, SE) Södertörn University in south Stockholm (Sweden) invites applications for two doctoral studentships: <u>1. A doctoral studentship in Gender studies within the research area of Critical and Cultural Theory</u> associated with the Baltic and Eastern European Graduate School BEEGS. The planned research for this studentship must be relevant for the Baltic Sea region or Eastern Europe, since the position is associated with the Baltic and Eastern European Graduate School, <u>BEEGS</u>, which is part of the Centre for Baltic and East European Studies, <u>CBEES</u>, at Södertörn University.

2. A doctoral studentship in Gender Studies within the research area of Critical and Cultural Theory and project Queer(y)ing Kinship the research in the Baltic Region. The successful applicant will work within the framework of the project "Queer(y)ing Kinship in the Baltic Region". This empirically based and theoretically driven project asks how non-heterosexual, or queer, families are made, represented and treated in several nations (Sweden, Finland and Poland) around the Baltic Sea and what this and the reproductive apparati they employ might teach us about the meaning and status of kinship, family making and ideas of the future more broadly. Through qualitative research, it aims to ask both how queer community and (gender) identity, (national) belonging and (cultural) heritage are understood, renegotiated and contested through (queer) kinship. The doctoral student will collect and analyse qualitative materials and write her/his thesis as part of the project focusing on the area of cultural politics of queer family making and the politics of ARTs (assisted reproductive technologies) in the Baltic Region. Specific ethnographic/empirical setting or materials are to be proposed by the candidate, but priority will be given to in-depth ethnographic accounts or other form of cultural analysis of queer kinship making in either an additional national setting or across several Baltic/Eastern European States. The transnational dimensions of queer kinship making, through for instance LGBTQ activism, reproductive travel and/or kinship practices in particular or across Baltic Sea states are of interest. Deadline for applications for both positions is March 5, 2015.

> <u>Read more on the first studentship --></u> Read more on the second studentship -->

Calls for Papers

NOG National Research Day 2015 "Doing Gender in the Netherlands: Strategies, Tactics and Impact" (Radboud University Nijmegen, NL)

The Netherlands Research School of Gender Studies (NOG) would like to invite you to the annual National Research Day, on Friday June 12, 2015. The day is dedicated to the cutting edge work of junior researchers of Dutch universities in the field of Gender, Ethnicity, Sexuality and Diversity. The 2015 edition of the National Research Day will take place at the Institute for Gender Studies (Radboud which celebrates its University Nijmegen), 30th anniversary this vear. The Doing Gender in the Netherlands Day is open for presentations of PhD students, postdocs and advanced research master students registered at Dutch universities. There are several options to participate: as a paper presenter, as a participant without paper presentation, and as a respondent. The day will be opened by NOG director Professor Rosemarie Buikema and the director of the Institute for Gender Studies, Professor Willy Jansen. The major part of the day will be dedicated to discussions of work in progress by means of paper presentations. The day will be concluded by an analysis of the highlights in gender research in the Netherlands today by Dr. Liedeke Plate (staff member Institute for Gender Studies).

Depending on the foci of the PhD paper proposals thematic sessions will be formed, either plenary or paralleled depending on the number of accepted papers. Paper presenters should prepare a presentation of 10 minutes to allow for plenary discussion and questions. Full papers will be distributed in advance among the panel participants. Feedback on the papers will be given by a senior NOG staff member. It is possible to add suggestions for preferred referees. Paper presenters should prepare a presentation of 10 minutes to allow for plenary discussion and questions. Full papers will be distributed in advance among the panel participants. Feedback on the papers will be given by a senior NOG staff member. It is possible to add suggestions for plenary discussion and questions. Full papers will be distributed in advance among the panel participants. Feedback on the papers will be given by a senior NOG staff member. It is possible to add suggestions for preferred referees. The language of the day is English.

Deadline for submission of abstracts is March 6, 2015.

Deadline for registration either as paper presenter or as a participant is March 6, 2015.

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Call for papers for the inaugural issue of *Digressions: Amsterdam Journal of Critical Theory, Cultural Analysis, and Creative Writing*, a student-run online academic journal based at VU University Amsterdam (the Netherlands). We publish articles on critical theory and cultural analysis; reviews of books, films, and art exhibitions; and pieces of creative writing. This way, we aim to provide a platform for ambitious MA and PhD students to share their cutting-edge research. For this issue, *Digressions* is calling for the submission of manuscripts on the theme of "the undead". We invite submissions that relate to the undead in the form of:

-	articles	on	critical	theory	and	cult	ural a	analysis	(4,000	0-5,000	words)
-	reviews	of	books	, film	films,		art	exhibitions		(750	words)
-	pieces		of	creative			writin	g	(4,000		words)
Deadline for submission is March 1, 2015.											

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Special Issue Gender sensitivity in health: current debates, politics, and practices Call for papers for a Special Issue of the Dutch Journal of Gender Studies. This special issue is entitled "Special Issue : Gender sensitivity in health: current debates, politics, and practices". The relevance of gender sensitivity is recognised more than ever before. This also holds true for the area of health and healthcare. Throughout the years concerns about this issue have been increasingly institutionalised. Over forty years ago a grass roots initiative in the USA enabled women to talk about how they experienced their bodies, sickness and the contact with doctors. Nowadays, also the professional and academic expertise of women is unquestioned and the relationship between gender and health is on the agenda of the World Health Organisation, national governments, health sector organisations and research institutes. The most recent expression of the institutionalised attention to gender and health is the two-year program 'Alliance Gender and Health': a cooperation between research, politics and practice that intends to invest in knowledge building, education and conscious raising. The Dutch Journal of Gender Studies invites papers that study the contemporary interpretation of the relationship between gender and health. We welcome both empirical as well as theoretical work. We suggest the following foci, but potential contributors to the Special Issue are free to submit abstract for papers that take а different perspective on the matter. **Deadline** for submission of abstracts is March 13, 2015.

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COST network "In Search for Transcultural Memory in Europe" (Dubrovnik, HR) Call for papers for the COST network "In Search for Transcultural Memory in Europe" (ISTME) which 17-19, will be held from September 2015, in Dubrovnik (Croatia). The topic of working group 3 is "Migrants' Memory in the Digital Age". The increased migration and the convergent media environment that has compressed space and time call for studies of immigrants' new practices and a critical inquiry of migrants' relations to social media. Thus, we call for papers that critically explore the main themes and ideas in the field of memory and migration research with a special attention being paid to the utilization by migrants of new social media in their Possible memorv work. topics are: - the significance of digital sources in preserving migrants' memory and construction of migrants' and identities belongings. - the role of digital sources in construction of diasporic and transnational communities. - the theory and methodology of studying transnational memory in the context of the development of new communication means of - the role of new media and the understanding of uses of media by different migrants' generations. - from script to screen: migrants' new media practices and the production of locality - migrants' digital experiences and digital technology as a means of communication, a provider of security, and political mobilization. The length of the presented papers should be approx. 20 min. A selection of the papers presented will be invited for publication in the ISTME working papers series (on-line). We encourage contributions on theoretical, empirical and methodological issues. Studies involving longitudinal and/or comparative analyses and contributions focusing on the European context are particularly welcome. Please, send proposals of 150-200 words to both Barbara Misztal and John Sundholm. Deadline for submission of abstracts is May 15, 2015.

Conference "Focus on Fathers: Fatherhood in contemporary discourse" (University of Wrocław, PL)

Call for papers for the conference "Focus on Fathers" which will be held on September 4 and 5, 2015, at the University of Wrocław (Poland). This conference aims at exploring the plethora of father figures present in literature, film, television series, video games, social media, media publications. The organizers invite contributions from scholars and students representing all academic disciplines, including but not limited to literature studies, film studies, pop cultural studies, social studies, trauma studies. disability studies. queer studies. and more. Suggested areas of research include but are not limited to: Depictions of fathers/father figures in literature, film, and new media; Fatherhood and the cultural and social norms; Fatherhood versus motherhood; fatherhood and gender roles; Non-biological fatherhood; Toxic fatherhood; Blogging and digital fathers; Fatherhood and posthumanism; Fatherhood in the public discourse; Discrimination of fathers; Masculinities and fatherhood; hegemonic masculinity versus fatherhood; Non-normative fathers; Absence of fatherhood; Fatherhood in relation to centers of authority and economy; how-to Parenting books. Deadline for submission of abstracts is July 15, 2015.

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