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PLEASURE & RESPONSIBILITY WHAT'S AT STAKE?

Welcome to the 11th Annual Conference of the Comparative Literature Intra-Student Faculty Forum

February 10, 2007, 9:30 am - 7:00 pm Pond Room Michigan Union

2007 CLIFF CONFERENCE SCHEDULE

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9:15 am: Bagels and coffee

9:30: Opening Remarks
Corine Tachtiris

9:45 - I 1:00: Opening Roundtable with the conference organizers: Mandy Davis, Corina Kesler, Chris Love, and Corine Tachtiris

11-11:15: Break

11:15 am - 1:00 pm: Rerighting History: Narrative Resistance

Moderator: Christi Merrill, Comparative Literature and Asian Languages and Cultures

Ursula Keel, Comparative Literature - "Stories that other men told": History as narration in Maxine Hong Kingston's *China Men*"

Roxana Galusca, English Language and Literature - "Writings of Struggle and Resistance: Poetry on the Angel Island Immigration Station"

Kristiana Kahakauwila, MFA in Creative Writing - "Focusing on Fiction: Language as the most responsible pleasure in stories about Hawaii"

Patrick Tonks, Comparative Literature - "The Construction of the Colonial Encounter in French Travel Narratives of Brazil, 16th-17th Centuries"

1:00 - 2:00: Lunch

2:00 - 3:15: In Theory: Intellectual(s and) Responsibility Moderator: Tomoko Masuzawa, Comparative Literature and History

Orian Zakai, Comparative Literature - "Winter Letters: Correspondence about theory and practice"

Matthew Pfaff, Comparative Literature - "The Work of Redemption"

Ramon Stern, Comparative Literature - "Aesthetic Experience as Commodity: Marxist takes on intellectual and other pleasures"

3:15 -3:30: Break

3:30-4:45: Forms of Pleasure: The Aestheticized, Politicized Body

Moderator: Yopie Prins, Comparative Literature and English

Lien Fan Shen, Art, Ball State University - "Anime Pleasures as a Playground of Sexuality, Power, and Resistance"

Naomi Silver, Sweetland Writing Center - "The Two Bodies of Josephine Baker"

Amr Kamal, Comparative Literature - "On Becoming and the Monstrous-Feminine in Algerian Heterotopias"

4:45-5:00: Break

5:00: Keynote and Roundtable with Alexander Nehamas Alexander Nehamas keynote and roundtable discussion with

Ross Chambers, Professor Emeritus, Comparative Literature Frieda Ekotto, Comparative Literature, Romance Languages Vassilios Lambropoulis, Comparative Literature, Classical Studies James Porter, Comparative Literature, Classical Studies Jennifer Wenzel, English Language and Literature

Moderator: Chris Love, Comparative Literature

7:00: Reception in the Haven Hall Ballroom

Thank you!

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