

Papers and discussants

Friday morning, May 29

8:00-8:45 Breakfast

9:00-9:15 Opening Remarks & Introduction of Theme 1

1. *What is the relation between publicly expressed political discourses, on the one hand, and personal experiences, affects, or understandings, on the other? Are there any gaps or disjunctures between collective political ideologies and individuals' ways of making sense of political disputes?*

9:15-10:00 **Peter Hervik, "Psychological Anthropology and the Challenge of Making Sense of the Scandinavian Exclusionary Reasoning"**

Discussant: Kevin Birth (Anthropology, Queens College, CUNY)

10:00-10:45 **Claudia Strauss, "Political movements, vernacular discourses, and personal meanings: The example of Occupy and economic populism in post-recession California"**

Discussant: Ian Hansen (Behavioral Sciences, York College, CUNY)

10:45-11:30 **Katherine Ewing, "'The Third Gender' and Sex Reassignment in India: New Legal Identities and the Selves that Inhabit Them"**

Discussant: Murphy Halliburton (Anthropology, Queens College, CUNY)

11:30-12:00 Discussion

12:15-1:45 Lunch

Friday afternoon, May 29

1:45-2:00 Introduction of Theme 2

2. *What are different forms of political consciousness? What sorts of conflicts are there between explicit identities and outlooks, on the one hand, and tacit or unconscious or embodied ones, on the other?*

2:00-2:45 **Jack Friedman, "Feeling Populist: Emotions, 'Immature' Politics, and 'The People'"**

Discussant: Alexander Hinton (Anthropology and Global Affairs, Rutgers)

2:45-3:30 **Conerly Casey, "Sensory Politics and War: Affective Anchoring and Vitality in Nigeria and Kuwait"**

Discussant: Manissa McCleave Maharawal (Anthropology, CUNY Graduate Center)

3:30-4:30 Discussion

Saturday morning, May 30

8:15-9:00 Breakfast

9:15-9:30 Review of Day 1 & Introduction of Theme 3

3. *What leads people to join social movements and form senses of themselves as movement actors? How do their personal experiences, affective commitments, and social networks affect the specific nature of their activism?*

9:30-10:15 **Yehuda C. Goodman, "Mediating Moralities: Inter-subjectivities in Israeli Soldiers' Narratives of the Occupation"**

Discussant: Aseel Sawalha (Anthropology, Fordham)

10:15-11:00 **William H. Westermeyer, “Progressives’ ‘Plantation’: The Tea Party, Race, and the Formation of Political Selves”**

Discussant: Micah White, Ph.D. (social activist, co-creator, Occupy Wall Street)

11:00- 11:30 Discussion

11:30-12:30 Lunch

12:30-1:15 **Charles Price and Dorothy Holland, “Becoming a Political Actor (Part I): Black Identity Theory and Pathways to a Politically Engaged Consciousness”**

Discussant: Lesley Sharp (Anthropology, Barnard)

1:15-2:00 **Dorothy Holland, Charles Price and William Westermeyer, “Becoming a Political Actor (Part II): Social Practice Theory and Pathways to Politically Engaged Action**

Discussant: Jeff Maskovsky (Urban Studies, Queens College, CUNY)

2:00-3:00 Wrap-up discussion