



Call for Papers (brief version) for the interdisciplinary and international conference

“Languages and Cultures of Conflicts and Atrocities”

in Winnipeg, Manitoba (Canada), October 11-13, 2012

Deadline for submissions: 15 May 2012

Keynote Speakers

James Dawes (Macalester College), author of *That the World May Know: Bearing Witness to Atrocity* (Harvard UP 2007) and *The Language of War* (Harvard UP 2002).

Alison Landsberg (George Mason University), author of *Prosthetic Memory: The Transformation of American Remembrance in the Age of Mass Culture* (Columbia UP 2004)

Jill Scott (Queen’s University), author of *A Poetics of Forgiveness* (Palgrave 2010) and of *Electra after Freud* (Cornell UP 2005).

The conference encourages papers which seek to understand how to represent war, racial and ethnic conflict, genocide and other atrocities, terrorism and human rights can be expressed, represented and remembered. Possible topics include: collective, national, and transnational memory of war and violent conflicts; the representation and remembrance of wars and genocides from antiquity to the present; the representation of human rights and human rights violations; indigenous rights and right violations / indigenous genocide; relation between representation and transitional / restorative justice; learning through representation; aspects of witnessing, trauma, authenticity, truth, and immersive experiences of violence and atrocities, etc.

Papers from all disciplines across the Humanities and Social Sciences are welcomed that discuss representations in literature, film, photography, museums, memorial culture, architecture, autobiography, the Internet and other digital media, oral and written history, everyday practices and rituals. Session will be organized in English and French.

Small travel grant funds for graduate students on a competitive basis (approx. \$200 per student)

All inquiries and submissions should be sent electronically to:

Dr. Stephan Jaeger, German and Slavic Studies, University of Manitoba, jaeger@umanitoba.ca

Please provide electronically **15 May 2012** the title and an approx. 250-300-word abstract of the paper you are proposing; your name, institutional affiliation, and email address; and a brief statement (no more than 100 words) listing your academic background and publications.

Participants will be notified after anonymous peer-review by an interdisciplinary committee of University of Manitoba and University of Winnipeg experts by 15 June 2012.

Conference Website (see also for detailed call for papers):

http://umanitoba.ca/faculties/arts/departments/german_and_slavic/3278.html

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