

ENVISIONING THE FUTURE OF CRITICAL GEOGRAPHIES

24th Annual Critical Geography Conference
Pennsylvania State University

Registration: 1:45pm-3:45pm
Walker 112, University Park, PA 16802

Opening Plenary: 4:00pm-5:00pm
“Fate, Fury, Forgetting, Failure”
Minelle Mahtani
Associate Professor, Human Geography and Journalism
University of Toronto

Reception: 5:15pm-7:45pm
Hintz Family Alumni Center, Penn State

FRIDAY, OCT 27 | KEYNOTE

1 Race in the United States

Room: Walker 101 | Facilitator: Joshua F. Inwood

- 8:30-8:50 Visualizing the Urban Through Black Women's Geographies
Asha Best, Clark University
- 8:50-9:10 The Plats are Prologue
Jennifer Kopf, Independent Researcher
- 9:10-9:30 Inequality and the Black Middle-Class: Racializing Space with Housing and Highways
Naiima Khahaifa, University of Buffalo
- 9:30-9:50 A Cartography of Enlistment: Using Maps to Explore Educational Equity, Community Characteristics, and Youth Military Enlistment in Houston's East End
Mathew Plummer, Penn State (presenting author)
Jenna Christian, Penn State

3 Geopolitics and Development Futures

Room: Walker 105 | Facilitator: Lise Nelson

- 8:30-8:50 Batman is a Realist and Iron Man a Liberal: Realism and Liberalism in Their Respective Cinematic Universes
Katrinka Somdahl-Sands, Rowan University
- 8:50-9:10 Schooling, Expertise and REDD+, by Lake Tanganyika
Emma Jane Lord
- 9:10-9:30 South-South Cooperation: New Frontiers of Uneven Development?
Dennis Choi, University of Buffalo
- 9:30-9:50 What Counts as Aid: Dilemmas and Ways Forward in Measuring China's Overseas Development Flows
Caitlyn Sears, University of Buffalo
- 9:50-10:10 What Does Critical Geography Have to Say About International Trade?
Marion Werner, University of Buffalo

2 Critical Representation

Room: Walker 103 | Facilitator: Nari Senanayake

- 8:30-8:50 The Promises and Perils of Re-Scaling Sovereignty
Sasha Davis, Keene State College
- 8:50-9:10 Big Power, Little Power and Online Maps: Google Maps and OpenStreetMap
Doran Tucker, Penn State
- 9:10-9:30 Addressing Environmental Injustice: The Viability of Community-Based Planning
Crysta Draayer, Salisbury University
- 9:30-9:50 Virtual Landscapes, Real Places: Methodologies for Video Game Geographies
Alex Pustelnyk, Syracuse University
- 9:50-10:10 Wikipedia and Rural Knowledge
Monica Stephens, University of Buffalo

4 Belonging and Exclusion

Room: Walker 109 | Facilitator: Aparna Parikh

- 8:30-8:50 From Madonna to Marx: Towards a Re-Theorization of Homelessness
Brian Hennigan, Syracuse University
- 8:50-9:10 Locating Voices of Color in the American Lebensraum: Towards a New Anti-Racist Praxis
Aswin Subanthore, George Washington University
- 9:10-9:30 You're Not Welcome at my Table: Using the Kitchen Table as a Place for Racial Reconciliation
Ellen Kohl, St. Mary's College of Maryland (presenting author)
Priscilla McCutcheon, University of Louisville
- 9:30-9:50 Ahmed, Zizek and the Wilful Subjectivities of Octavia Butler's Fledgling
Kolson Schlosser, Temple University
Sarah Stinard-Kiel, Temple University

10:10-10:40 COFFEE BREAK | Walker 319

10:10-11:00 Protest Sign Printmaking Workshop with Jenna Christian | Walker 324

Stop in at any time during this time block to learn how to make linocut posters. Walk away with your own poster/print for NoDAPL, Black Lives Matter, Defend DACA, and more!

5 Critical Visualization

Room: Walker 101 | Facilitator: Carolyn Fish

- 10:40-11:00 Mapping Artful Urban Ecologies: Exploring and Assembling Shared Places Through Digital Media
Leonard Yui, Roger Williams University
- 11:00-11:20 Visualizing Dispossession and Repossession
Eric Goldfischer, University of Minnesota
- 11:20-11:40 Identifying Food Deserts Using Critical Space-Time Modeling: Towards a Just Assessment Tool
Michelle Ritchie, Penn State
- 11:40-12:00 The World as a Lake: Envisioning More Interconnected Past, Present and Futures
Sebastian Diaz Angel, Cornell University
- 12:00-12:20 Deadly Serious: Political Humor and the Radical Remainder
Ben A. Gerlofs, Dartmouth College

7 Borders and Flows

Room: Walker 105 | Facilitator: Kimberley Thomas

- 10:40-11:00 Denaturing State Borders: Floating Fences, Fugitive Resources, and Rivers in South Asia
Kimberley Thomas, Penn State
- 11:00-11:20 “Soft Tactics” as a Mode of Border Control and Militarization of Mobility: Towards a Critical Geography of Indo-Bangladesh Border
Rafiu Ahmed, Sikkim University (India)
- 11:20-11:40 Caught in the Crosshairs: Conservation and the Contradictions of Killing
Dave Knieter, West Virginia University
- 11:40-12:00 Drug War Landscapes of Production in Latin America: A General Framework for the Analysis of Violence-Environment Interactions
Gabriel Tamariz, Penn State
- 12:00-12:20 Confronting Contradictions in Sustainability Discourse: Tracing the Travels of Trash and Trees
John-Henry Pitas and Mariya Shcheglovitova, University of Maryland, Baltimore County

6 Examining Theory

Room: Walker 103 | Facilitator: Melissa W. Wright

- 10:40-11:00 Governing Pain: The Slow Violence of an Opioid Epidemic
Paul Jackson, University of Delaware
- 11:00-11:20 What is the Role of ‘Bodies’ in Social Transformation
Allison Hayes-Conroy, Temple University
- 11:20-11:40 The Geography of Fields and Fields in Geography
Caleb Gallemore, Lafayette College
- 11:40-12:00 Mid-Sized Critical Geographies
Henry Way, James Madison University
- 12:00-12:20 The Production of Anthropocene Space Along the New Jersey Shore
David C. Eisenhauer, Rutgers University

8 Urban Environmental Justice

Room: Walker 109 | Facilitator: Azita Ranjbar

- 10:40-11:00 Sustaining the “Just Green Enough” Vision in Brooklyn and Beyond
Trina Hamilton, University of Buffalo
- 11:00-11:20 Trauma and Redevelopment in Philadelphia
Tonya Atherton, University of Delaware
- 11:20-11:40 Who is the Other in the Age of the Anthropocene? Exploring the Notion of Alterity in Climate Justice Discourse
Nino Antadze, Bucknell University
- 11:40-12:00 Community Land Trusts in Philadelphia: Utilizing Green Infrastructure for Social Justice
Stephen T. Dickinson, Temple University

12:20-1:40 LUNCH BREAK

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9 Peace and Displacement

Room: Walker 101 | Facilitator: Lauren Fritzsche

- 1:40-2:00 The 'Invasion and Colonization' of West Virginia: An Analysis of Anti Syrian Refugee Discourses and Rural Resentment in the Mountain State
Cynthia Gorman, West Virginia University
Karen Culcasi, West Virginia University
- 2:00-2:20 Rust Belt Renaissance: The Outcomes of Neighborhood Change on Burmese Refugees in Buffalo, NY
Seth Cavello, University of Buffalo
- 2:20-2:40 Conceptualizing Food Insecurity and its Measurement Among Resettled Refugees Living in the United States
Hannah Stokes, University of Buffalo
- 2:40-3:00 Peace as Plural: The Differential Approach in the Colombian Peace Accords
Sara Koopman, Kent State University
- 3:00-3:20 Negotiating Islamophobia and Americanism: Discourses Shaping Refugee Resettlement in Missoula
Lauren Fritzsche, Penn State

11 Bodies, Nation and Memory

Room: Walker 105 | Facilitator: Lorraine Dowler

- 1:40-2:00 (Less) Visible in Memory: Remembering the Khmer Rouge
Christian Pettersen, University of Georgia
- 2:00-2:20 Trauma as Pharmakon: Compton Youth vs. Toxic Stress
Sarah Stinard-Kiel, Temple University
Paul Jackson, University of Delaware
- 2:20-2:40 Haunting, Trauma, and the Spectral Geographies of Fieldwork
Jared P. Van Ramshorst, Syracuse University

10 Biopolitics, Health and the Environment

Room: Walker 103 | Facilitator: Sara Cavallo

- 1:40-2:00 The Whole Lupus: Difference, Inequality, and the Biosocial
Dirk Kinsey, Temple University
- 2:00-2:20 Keeping up with the Kizza's: Cultivating Model Farmers and Diseased Landscapes in Western Uganda
Sara Cavallo, Penn State
- 2:20-2:40 Buruli Ulcer and Encounters of Care
Heidi Hausermann, Rutgers University
- 2:40-3:00 Curating Taste: Shifting Affective Registers of 'Purity' and 'Goodness' in Landscapes of Unspecified Contamination and Uncertain Exposure
Nari Senanayake, Penn State
- 3:00-3:20 Towards Democratized Property? The Case of Syracuse's Land Bank
Patrick Oberle, Syracuse University

12 Agriculture and Community Food Systems

Room: Walker 109 | Facilitator: Megan Baumann

- 1:40-2:00 Modeling the Social Dynamics of Community Gardens
Jessica Gilbert, University of Buffalo
- 2:00-2:20 Co-Experimenting with New Ways of Thinking and Doing: The Potential for Radical Relationality in Community Food Systems
Carrie Chennault, Iowa State University
- 2:20-2:40 Distance Isolation and Caging: Seed Production as Resistance Against Alienation Through a Feminist Geopolitics Analytic
Megan Baumann, Penn State
- 2:40-3:00 At the Intersection of Urban Agriculture and Social Justice Activism in Wilmington, Delaware: Practices and Perceptions
Todd Sundberg, University of Delaware
- 3:00-3:20 Mediating Agro-Capitalism: Labor Geographies of Cane Harvesting in Western India
Pronoy Rai, University of Illinois

3:20-3:40 COFFEE BREAK | Walker 319

3:20-3:50 Write Your Reps | 3rd Floor

We have postcards and stamps to write to your representatives!

13 Governance and Development

Room: Walker 101 | Facilitator: Eden Kinkaid

- 3:50-4:10 Marginal Nightscapes: Fishing Villages, Food Vendors and Female Employees Around Outsourced Call Centers In Mumbai, India
Aparna Parikh, Penn State
- 4:10-4:30 Governing Representations: Contesting Histories and Futures of Indian Agriculture at the National Agricultural Sciences Museum New Delhi
Eden Kinkaid, Penn State
- 4:30-4:50 Dollarized Landscapes: uneven development, illusions, and global (dis)connections in the Ecuadorian Andes
María Alexandra García, Rutgers University
- 4:50-5:10 Removing dams, fracturing narratives: the evolving political economy of river restoration in the Mid Columbia River/Nch'i-wana Region
Zbigiew Grabowski

15 Incarceration, Policing and Detention

Room: Walker 105 | Facilitator: Jenna Christian

- 3:50-4:05 Creative Geopolitics: Art and Solidarity as Feminist Geopolitical Praxis
Jenna Christian, Penn State
- 4:05-4:20 Immigration Policing and Household Financial Vulnerability in the United States
Geoffrey Alan Boyce, University of Arizona
- 4:20-4:35 Feminist Geolegality
Dana Cuomo, Western Kentucky University
Katherine Brickell, Royal Holloway, University of London
- 4:35-4:50 Reading Between the (Heavily Redacted) Lines: Immigration Detention, Contracting, and Accountability
Nancy Hiemstra, Stony Brook (presenting author)
Deirdre Conlon, Leeds University
- 4:50-5:05 Reconciling Securitization and Austerity: Tracing the Intimate Economies of Correctional Supervision
Vanessa Massaro, Bucknell University
- 5:05-5:20 Dirty Money: Mapping the Institutional Landscapes of Monetized Criminal Justice Practices in Philadelphia
Jackson Smith, New York University

14 Contemporary White Supremacy

Room: Walker 103 | Facilitator: Joshua F. Inwood

- 3:50-4:05 Historicizing the Spatial Struggle for Social Justice
James A. Tyner, Kent State University
- 4:05-4:20 The 2017 AP Human Geography Exam: Reflecting on Critical Geographic Pedagogy
Christabel Devadoss, West Virginia University
- 4:20-4:35 Teaching Critical Geography in the Current Political Environment
Dan Johnston, Indiana University
- 4:35-4:50 The Columbia Basin Project: A Historical Geography of White Supremacist Colonialism Through Reclamation
Carrie Mott, Rutgers University
- 4:50-5:05 Unpacking 'Globalism' in the Alt-Right
Carolyn Gallaher, American University
- 5:05-5:20 Losing Their Marbles: The Spatial-Scalar Conflicts Over (dis)Placing Whiteness in Neoliberal Tampa
Sam Bowden, Rutgers University

16 Touring Indigenous Spaces: The Commodification of Identities, Bodies, Languages and Landscapes in Latin America

Room: Walker 109 | Facilitator: Emma Gaalaas Mullaney

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