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Kuenzel Room • Michigan Union / University of Michigan • Ann Arbor

FRIDAY

MARCH 23

OPENING REMARKS 9:00 – 9:15a

PANEL I 9:15 – 10:45a
AFFECTIONS: CONNECTIONS, CROSSINGS, COMPARISONS

Chair **Meghanne Barker**
 University of Michigan

Gabika Bockaj
 Johns Hopkins University
The Many Lives of Socialist Nostalgia
(Titostalgia and India)

Christina Schwenkel
 University of California, Riverside
The Afterlives of Bricks: Affective Objects and
Urban Reconstruction in Post/Socialist Vietnam

Sergey Glebov
 Smith College (Amherst/Five Colleges)
Heart of Darkness 2.0: Waclaw Sieroszewski,
Siberian Ethnography, and Post-Soviet Search
for Authenticity

Aaron Louis Rosenberg
 El Colegio de Mexico
Who Sings for Whom? The Urban Troubadours
Chava Flores and Marijani Rajabu

Discussant **Neringa Klumbyte**
 Miami University (Ohio)

BREAK 10:45 – 11:00a

PANEL II 11:00a – 12:30p
AFTERLIVES: NETWORKS, SYSTEMS...CARE OF

Chair **Damani Partridge**
 University of Michigan

Rima Praspaliauskiene
 University of California, Davis
"Something You Cannot Escape": Enveloped
Care in Contemporary Lithuania

Inna Leykin
 Brown University
On Demographic Illiteracy, Scientific Brokerage,
and the Crisis of Underpopulation in the New
Russian State

Paul Festa
 Shandong University
Red "Rat Societies" in China's Underground
Economy: Specters of the Socialist Past in
"Pure Capital Operation"

Ksenia Pimenova

Ecole des Hautes Etudes en Sciences Sociales
The "Vertical of Shamanic Power": The Use of
Political Discourse in Post-Soviet Shamanism

Discussant **Olga Povorozyuk**
 Institute of Ethnology,
 Russian Academy of Sciences

LUNCH BREAK 12:30 – 2:00p

PANEL III 2:00 – 3:15p
AFFLICTIONS: ONGOING OTHERINGS

Chair **Thomas Chivens**
 University of Michigan

Marina Mogilner,
 Kazan State University
"Medical Materialism" and "Social Materialism"
under Early Socialism: The Case of "Jewish Race"
in the Country of Soviets

Vsevolod Bashkuev
 Russian Academy of Sciences, Ulan-Ude
Silencing the Shame: Forgetting the 1920s
Syphilis Epidemic in Buryat-Mongolia as a
Strategy of Post-Soviet Identity Construction

Florin Poenaru
 Central European University
Forgive Thy Neighbor as You Forgive Yourself!
Archives, Religious Discourse, and Scapegoating
after 1989

Discussant **Erin Koch**
 University of Kentucky

BREAK 3:15 – 3:45p

KEYNOTE ADDRESS 3:45 – 5:00p

Judith Farquhar
 Max Palevsky Professor of Anthropology
 University of Chicago
Afterlives of the Field Survey: Several Modern
Moments in Chinese State Knowledge Production

RECEPTION 5:00 – 7:00p
Anderson Room, Michigan Union

SATURDAY MARCH 24

PANEL IV

9:00 – 10:30a

AFFECTIONS: ARTFUL REVALUATIONS

Chair **Alaina Lemon**

University of Michigan

Haiyan Lee

Stanford University

Mao's Two Bodies: On the Curious (Political)

Art of Impersonating the Great Helmsman

Sofia Kalo

University of Massachusetts Amherst

"The Red Kiss of the Past That Does Not Pass":

Reflections on the Use of Socialist Forms and

Aesthetics in Today's Albanian Visual Art

Michal Murawski

University of Cambridge

The Murderer at the Funeral: Warsaw and the

Stalin-era Palace of Culture after the Smolensk

Catastrophe

Ying Bao

University of Nevada, Las Vegas

Afterlives of Revolutionary Song: Red Song Gala,

Reality Television, and Chinese Music Politics

Discussant **Zhanara Nauruzbayeva**

Columbia University

PANEL VI

1:15 – 2:45p

AFTERLIVES: REPURPOSING LABOR(S)

Chair **Maria Taylor**

University of Michigan

Halide Velioglu

Dogus University

Repair: The Mundane Life of Taking Care of

Things and the Community in Post-War Sarajevo

Dominic Martin

University of Cambridge

Post-Soviet Sobornost': The Re-enchantment

of a Military Ruin

Larisa Kurtovic

University of California, Berkeley

People of Action: Socialist History and the Ethos

of Civic Engagement in Postwar Bosnia Herzegovina

Mateusz Laszczkowski

Max Planck Institute for Social Anthropology

The Hands that Smell of Bread: Built Space,

Nostalgia, and the Afterlife of a Krushchevite

Development Campaign

Discussant **Andrew Kipnis**

Australian National University

BREAK

10:30 – 10:45a

PANEL V

10:45a – 12:00p

AFFLICTIONS?: "THE WILL" WHEN NOT NEOLIBERAL . . .

Chair **Deborah Jones**

University of Michigan

Lara R. Kusnetsky

Independent Scholar

On the Subject of Self-Regulation in

Contemporary China

Tomas Matza

Duke University

Ambivalent Subjects: "Learning to Be Free"

after Socialism

Ann Marie Leshkovich

College of the Holy Cross

Responsibilizing Expertise: Social Work and the

Knowledge Economy of the Vietnamese Family

Discussant **Eugene Raikhel**

University of Chicago

BREAK

2:45 – 3:15p

PANEL VII

3:15 – 4:30p

AFFECTIONS: GENERATIONS

Chair **Anna Genina**

University of Michigan

Brian A. Horne

University of Chicago

How to Love Dead Music: Soviet-Era Bardic

Song as Memorabilia and Necrophilia

Xia Zhang

University of Minnesota, Morris

One Life for Sale: Youth Culture, Labor Politics,

and New Idealism in China

Zuzana Kepplova

Central European University

New Identities Made with Old Tools:

Post-Socialist Subcultural Styles beyond

the Late Socialist Consumer Trauma

Discussant **Jessica Robbins**

University of Michigan

LUNCH BREAK

12:00 – 1:15p

BREAK

4:30 – 5:00p

GENERAL DISCUSSION

FUTURE CONFERENCES

5:00 – 5:30p

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