Convergences

I am struck from one month to the next by the cat’s cradle of parallels and connections in the Newsletter’s calendar. Some are deliberate, some unexpected, though the latter have a way of returning deliberately later in announcements of a research project, seminar, or conference. Shared interests are always coming to light at the Center, but this month of the equinox is a high time of convergences in the year’s program on international perspectives in the humanities.

In the March 6-7 symposium organized around the American premiere of Peter Sellars’s production of *Peony Pavilion*, East meets West, scholarship and criticism engage with theater, and the Townsend Center partners with the Center for Chinese Studies and the new Berkeley Consortium for the Arts. The production is itself a spectacular fusion of a 16th-century Shanghai opera and the elegant English translation by Berkeley Sinologist Cyril Birch; the music is by contemporary Chinese composer Tan Dun with high-tech staging by George Tsypin; and the opera will be performed by a legendary actress of the genre and a mix of young performers. Since Peter Sellars produced an exhilarating sample here when he was Avenali Professor two years ago, the finished production has toured in Europe, and Chinese cultural commissars have forbidden the Shanghai Kunqu Opera Company’s production to leave the country. Ironically, a traditional plot about the realization of dreams of renewal and youth speaks to a contemporary situation, and the Western tribute to traditional Chinese culture may be crucial to the survival of the art form. The symposium will bring an extraordinary array of knowledge and talent to questions of cultural identity that may bear on China’s place in the world as much as politics and economics do.

In the following week, on March 12, representatives of four European research centers join us for a working meeting on the past, present, and future of the humanities. It seems somehow characteristic of the artisanal ways of humanities scholars that we have not met together before, though our institutions are all interested in overlapping topics that call for a larger conversation. A summary list makes the point: the *Scenarios for the Humanities* project on challenges for the humanistic disciplines at the
University of Utrecht’s Research Institute for History and Culture; a research program at Vienna’s International Research Center in Cultural Studies for investigating the “hidden” or “lost” history and present prospects of the Kulturwissenschaften; seminars and conferences on the “Humanities at the Turn of the Millennium” coordinated by the University of Aarhus’ Center for Cultural Research; and the Collegium Budapest’s focus group on humanism, the humanities, national cultural heritages, and the sciences. The Getty Center’s Research Institute for the History of Art and the Humanities has announced a parallel program for 1999-2000 on the humanities in comparative and historical perspective. Descriptions of these initiatives can be located through the Center’s website and World Humanities Survey: http://ls.berkeley.edu/dept/townsend/

So far as I am aware, however, our workshop will be the first “real world” meeting of its kind. A question that will surely concern us is how to account for the kinds of boundary-crossing these research emphases suggest. All-purpose explanations that are fashionable these days—Globalization, The Network Society, Post-Modernity—need to be put under pressure, if not necessarily to rest. The fuss over computer breakdowns at the Millennium is probably a false alarm, but it does signal, together with the millenarian rhetoric itself, linkages that are real enough. One rather anticlimactic reason for connectedness is that there is nothing new about it, since the overarching notion of the “humanities” resists border patrols, even when differences derive from particular cultures and particular ways of knowing. Another reason actually is new, though quite prosaic: many humanities centers or institutes were established within the last ten or fifteen years and, for various intellectual and institutional motives, have now reached a “networking stage” for purposes of communication, legitimatization and development. By the end of the month we should know a great deal more about common and uncommon convergences in the humanities on an international scale.

Randolph Starn, Director
Marian E. Koshland Distinguished Professor in the Humanities
Upating an Idea

As noted in Randolph Starn’s editorial in this Newsletter, an interest in the history and future of the humanities as a topic of research appears to be growing among our colleagues in Europe and, to a lesser but still perceptible degree, in North America as well. Attesting to the “international” character of the humanities, Europe, in one example, looks to Chicago: the Research Institute for History and Culture at Utrecht (Holland) directs us to Chicago critic R.S. Crane’s “idea of the humanities”—an idea with a history, of course—and applies Crane’s 1967 discussion of definitions, values, and (most importantly) what he calls “means,” to the world of the 1990s.

Meanwhile the Collegium Budapest also argues for the need to re-assess and “reformulate” the humanities in light of their history and “likely future,” an effort that they see as the more necessary given “forays [by humanities scholars] into the mass media” (“writing scholarly best-sellers, acting as advisors for films and TV series, producing CD ROMS” and so on). And at Aarhus, in Denmark, scholars at the Center for Cultural Research draw our attention first to the need for “new categorizations and levels of analysis” brought about by a displacement in “principal categories in the anthropological foundation of the humanities”; and second, to the effects of new information technologies and new locations of knowledge production upon humanities disciplines.

But as “agendas” for future work in a topic or field called “humanities” are drawn up, as account is taken of “new locations” and “new information technologies,” of “forays” into new areas, it may also be time to ask how such changes or adjustments in Crane’s “idea” will affect new generations of humanities Ph.Ds.

“Professors or Proletarians?” shouts the headline of a New York Times article on “Nice Work,” the series of panels on future careers for literature Ph.D.s held at the recent meetings of the Modern Language Association. The article casts a harsh light on the MLA program, at which recent Ph.D.s discussed their experience in non-academic careers. The reporting presents a considerably more negative picture than that suggested by Berkeley Graduate Division researcher Maresi Nerad, who recently completed a study of Ph.D.s in five fields (English is the only humanities discipline) “ten years out.”

Perhaps most noteworthy, however, the Times article on the “Nice Work” panels, like the various humanities research agendas, includes no discussion of how the future lives and careers of humanities Ph.D.s might be influenced by transformations in humanities fields. We are in danger of dividing this question of the future of the humanities such that the “professional” or “practice” issues (where “careers” hold an important place) are dissociated from the “research agenda” or “definitional” issues. For example, if we look to collaborative models of research, with which our European colleagues may be more at home, we should consider that the practice of “collaboration” affects the work that is done as well as the people who do it (Maresi Nerad found in her study that more than 50% of the English Ph.D.s she surveyed, in both academic and non-academic careers, suggested that graduate programs should include more opportunities for collaborative work). If research agendas are to include an assessment of new locations for the production and dissemination of knowledge, then we should ask, who will be in those locations? If a plethora of new developments is upon us in information environments, who will play decisive roles in categorizing and helping to organize that knowledge? Humanities Ph.D.s should surely be there.

Although R.S. Crane, in 1967, alluded to a “crisis” in the humanities, the fact is that universities were expanding and hiring in that period. Now, at the very end of the nineties, it is all the more important to note that if the thrust of current scholarship on the humanities is to re-assess for the new century Crane’s “idea,” that assessment should include a consideration of how the people—particularly our new humanities Ph.D.s—are part of the idea.
The Townsend Center Working Groups Program brings together, from various fields and departments, faculty and graduate students with shared research interests. It is funded by the Townsend Center with additional support from a Ford Foundation grant to International and Area Studies.

For full descriptions of the Working Groups, please see the February Newsletter or the Townsend Center Working Groups Web Page, http://ls.berkeley.edu/dept/townsend/working_groups.html Descriptions appear in the September, October, and February Newsletters.

**Activism in the Academy**
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**American Studies Working Group**
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To be added to the electronic list, email majordomo@listlink.berkeley.edu and in the text of the message write only “subscribe amst_workg”; to post to the list, send a message to amst_workg@uclink4.berkeley.edu.

The group will host two presentations of works-in-progress. All are welcome to attend. Please bring a bag lunch.
March 11 (Thursday), 12:00-1:30 p.m., Townsend Center Seminar Room (220 Stephens). Charlotte Cote (Ethnic Studies) will give a paper: “Aboriginal Sovereignty and Nationalism in the United States and Canada.”
March 25 (Thursday), 12:00-1:30 p.m., Townsend Center Seminar Room (220 Stephens). Ellen Fernandez Sacco, President’s Post-Doctoral Fellow (Architecture), will give a paper: “Racial Displays: Creating National Identity in the Cultural Landscape of the Early Republic.”

Graduate students interested in presenting work should contact Birgit Rasmussen.

**Anthropology of Childhood and Youth**
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Donna Lanclos will speak: “Gendered Representations of Family in the Folklore of Belfast Children.” Contact the organizers for details.

**Armenian Studies Working Group**
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March 3 (Wednesday), 12:00 noon, 442 Stephens. The group will host a brownbag talk by Sergey Ambartsoumian, former president of Yerevan State University and currently a member of the presidium of the National Academy of Sciences of Armenia: “Science, Education, and Politics in Armenia.”
March 11 (Thursday), 12:00 noon, 270 Stephens. The group will host a brownbag talk by Marina Kurkchiyan, visiting Fulbright scholar at the University of Michigan: “Public Health and Social Policy in Armenia.”

**Asian Americans and Religion**
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**Bay Area Eighteenth-Century Studies**
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**Berkeley New Music Project**
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**British History Reading Group**
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**Cal Outreach Working Group**
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**Central Asia/Silk Road Working Group**
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**Chicana and Latina Studies Working Group**
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March 2, 9, 16, and 30, 12:00 noon, Cafe Istanbul (near Revolution Books). On April 9-11, the group will host a conference, “Latinas Coming of Age: Critically Redefining Latina Health.” Anyone interested in participating should attend the weekly meetings in March.

**Chinese Languages Research Working Group**
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Please see the group’s web site to subscribe to the mailing list.

**Classic Jewish Texts Havruta Study Project**
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**CNMAT Users Group**
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**Colonial Latin American Studies (formerly Iberian-American Studies)**
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Colonialism and Culture
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March 10 (Wednesday), 7:00 p.m., location T.B.A. The group will read several selections on recent British imperial history by participants in the upcoming New Imperial History Conference at the Townsend Center.

Comparison and Interdisciplinarity Working Group
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Computers and the Humanities
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Critical Feminist Inquiry Group
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Early Modern Studies Group
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March 3 (Wednesday), 12:00 noon, Townsend Center Seminar Room (220 Stephens). Timothy Hampton (French, Comp. Lit. and Italian Studies) will speak: “Representing France: Lyric Voice and National Character in DuBellay.”
March 17 (Wednesday), 12:00 noon, Italian Studies seminar room, 6331 Dwinelle. Amy Greenstadt (English) will speak: “Sexing the Will: Rape and Questions of Intention in Early Modern Culture.”

Emergence of German Modernism, 1890-1930
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Meetings take place every two weeks. Contact Kristin Kopp for information

Experimental Phonology Circle
Contact: Lily Liaw, 642-4938, epc@socrates.berkeley.edu
The group meets weekly on Thursdays from 1:00-2:00 p.m. for spectrogram readings and discussion. Practice talks may be scheduled outside the regular meeting time. For details, email epc@socrates.berkeley.edu

Folklore Roundtable
Contact: Valdimar Tr. Hafstein, 655-3912, valdimar@uclink4.berkeley.edu or http://ls.berkeley.edu/dept/folklore/roundtable.html
March 4 (Thursday), 5:15 p.m., Folklore Archives, 110 Kroeber Hall.
March 18 (Thursday), 5:15 p.m., Folklore Archives, 110 Kroeber Hall. Contact Valdimar Hafstein for the meeting topics.

Francophone Studies Group
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Graduate Film Studies Working Group
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This month the group will host a conference: “The Genius of the (Other) System: The Rise and Fall of the Major Soviet Studios.” The conference will explore the role of the studio in Soviet film production and will feature such noted scholars as Maya Turovskaya and Dina Iordanova.
March 12 (Friday), 4:00-9:30 p.m., 117 Dwinelle. Film screenings.
March 13 (Saturday). All sessions will be held in 370 and 371 Dwinelle (level G).
9:00-9:30 a.m., Coffee.
9:30-11:50 a.m. Speakers: Alexander Pozdniakov (Lenfilm Studios) on Lenfilm; Bohdan Nebesio (University of Wisconsin, Madison) on VUFKU; and Panayiota Mini (University of Wisconsin, Madison) on Mezhrabpom-Rus.
1:20-4:10 p.m. Speakers: Maya Turovskaya (VNIIK) on Mosfilm, Alexander Prokhorov (University of Pittsburg) on the director, Ivan Pyriev; and Dina Iordanova (University of Leicester) on East European cinema.
4:20-5:00 p.m. Roundtable discussion with Anne Nesbet (Slavic) and Peter Kenez (UC Santa Cruz) and earlier presenters.
5:00-6:00 p.m. Reception

Graduate Medievalists at Berkeley
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The group is currently soliciting works-in-progress for presentations. Anyone interested should contact Katie Vulic. The Graduate Medievalists sponsor three reading groups, all of which meet biweekly. Contact the following organizers for details: the Latin reading group (Kim Starr-Reid, ksr@uclink.berkeley.edu); the Old English reading group (Katy Breen, kkbreen@uclink4.berkeley.edu); and the Medieval Methodologies and Pedagogies group, (Masha Raskolnikov, masha@socrates.berkeley.edu, 845-7781).

Health and Human Rights Working Group
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March 3 (Wednesday), 6:00 p.m., 460 Stephens. Contact the organizers for the readings.

History and Philosophy of Logic and Mathematics
Contact: Richard Zach, (415) 431-2135, zach@math.berkeley.edu, http://math.berkeley.edu/~zach/hplm
March 3 (Wednesday), 6:00 p.m., Dennes Room, 234 Moses. Martin Davis, visiting scholar in Mathematics (NYU, Courant Institute) will speak: “Gödel’s Absolutely Undecidable Proposition.”
March 31 (Wednesday), 6:00 p.m., Dennes Room, 234 Moses. Aldo Antonelli (Philosophy, UC Irvine) will speak: “Motivating the Axioms.”
Indo-European Language and Culture Working Group  
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dwanders@socrates.berkeley.edu, or http://www.indo-
european.org/page4.html  
March 4 (Thursday), 7:30 p.m., 160 Kroeber. Louis Nebelsick (Free  
University, Berlin) will give an illustrated lecture: “The  
Female Image in Hallstatt Europe’s Figurative and  
Sepulchral Iconography” (co-sponsored with the  
Archaeological Research Facility and the AIA).  
March 13 (Saturday), time and place T.B.A. The group will host a  
workshop: Greek Language, Linguistics and Dialect.  
Speakers will include: Andrew Devine (Stanford), Helma Dik  
(Chic ago), Brent Vine (UCLA), Michael Weiss (UNC Chapel  
Hill) and Roger Woodard (USC) ( organized by Andrew  
Garrett, Dept. of Linguistics, garrett@socrates.berkeley.edu;  
co-sponsored with the Townsend Center).  
March 14 (Sunday), 3:00 p.m., 370 Dwinelle. Sarah Morris (UCLA)  
will give an illustrated lecture: “From Ephesus to Athens:  
Cult Images of Artemis and Athena?” (co-sponsored with  
the Archaeological Research Facility and the AIA).  
March 28 (Sunday), 3:00 p.m., Geballe Room, Townsend Center  
(220 Stephens). Annalee Rehn (Celtic Studies and Comp.  
Lit.) will give an illustrated lecture: “Refections on a  
Sarmation-Welsh Arthur” (co-sponsored with the  
Archaeological Research Facility and the AIA).  

Interrogating Biomedicine, Health and Technology:  
Subjugated Peoples  
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Intersectionalities in U.S. History  
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www.stanford.edu/group/intersections  

Italian Research and Study Group (IRAS)  
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March 12 (Friday), 12 noon-1:30 p.m., Krouzian Conference Room,  
7th Floor, Dwinelle. The group will discuss the topic “Italy and the Balkans.”  

Jewish Cultures Reading Group  
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4970, lazier@socrates.berkeley.edu  
March 4 (Thursday), 5:00-7:00 p.m., Townsend Center Seminar  
Room (220 Stephens). David Shneer will present.  

Late Antique Religion and Society  
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Law and the Humanities  
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March 19 (Friday), 4:00 p.m. The group will discuss readings.  
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Material Culture Working Group  
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message type “subscribe materialculture_workinggroup.”  
To post to the list, send a message to:  
materialculture_workinggroup@uclink4.berkeley.edu.  

March 11 (Thursday), 5:15 p.m., Rhetoric/Classics Lounge, 7th  
Floor, Dwinelle. The group will discuss readings.  

Modernity, Postmodernity and Cultural Studies  
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Multiracial Alternatives Project (MAP)  
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Music, Literature and Critical Theory  
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March 3 (Wednesday), 7:00 p.m., 101 Morrison. The group will  
discuss Scott DeVeaux’s The Birth of Bebop, focusing on the  
Introduction (1-31) and Chapter 10 (364-436) on Charlie  
Parker and Dizzie Gillespie. Copies are available in the Music  
Library under the listing Music 99.  

Nineteenth-Century British Cultural Studies  
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Object-Relations Psychoanalysis  
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l.s.berkeley.edu/dept/ohwg/  
March 12 (Friday), 12 noon-1:30 p.m., Krouzian Conference Room,  
Bancroft Library. The group will host a colloquium: “From  
Jerez and Oaxaca to Napa and Sonoma: Using Oral History  
to Reconstruct the History of Mexican Migrant Networks.”  
There will be two speakers. Martha Judith Sanchez  is a  
Fulbright scholar from the Instituto de Investigaciones  
Sociales at the National University in Mexico City. She will  
discuss the origins of the migratory movement of Oaxacan  
people to the Napa and Sonoma Valleys. Sandra Nichols  
(Geography) will discuss a Mexican migrant network linking  
Jerez with Napa, California.  

Orality and Ethnic Identity  
Contact: Ronelle Alexander, 642-8301,  
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March 9 (Tuesday), 4:00 p.m., 1229 Dwinelle. Johanna Nichols
(Slavic Dept.) will speak: “The Endangerment of Languages and Cultures in the Caucasus.”
March 30 (Tuesday), 4:00 p.m., 1229 Dwinelle. David Koester (Columbia) will speak: “Itel’men: Poets of a Critically Endangered Language.”

Photography Working Group
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Political Theory at a Crossroads
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Post-Phenomenology and the History of Philosophy
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Psychobiography
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Queer Ethnic Studies
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Queer Reading Group
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Science Fiction and Contemporary Technology Group
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South Asian Studies Group/SHASHANC
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Publication Activities

Bad Subjects
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Bad Subjects publishes short essays on contemporary culture and politics from a leftist perspective.
Although each issue is organized around a theme, the editors welcome submissions on any topic. For the April 1 deadline, the theme is “Writing.”

Berkeley Planning Journal
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The Berkeley Planning Journal (BPJ) is a scholarly journal published once a year by the graduate students in the Dept. of City and Regional Planning. The BPJ welcomes submissions dealing with urbanism, urban form, development, urban identity, planning, transformation of cities, and transportation.

Chronicle of the University of California
(formerly The Life and Times of U.C. Berkeley)
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The Chronicle of the University of California is a semi-annual scholarly journal dedicated to the history of the University. The Chronicle will be issuing its second number, dedicated to the women of Cal: “Ladies Blue and Gold.” A third number is currently being planned. The editors welcome inquiries about contributions by faculty, graduate students, staff, and alumni. For information about subscriptions or to obtain single copies, contact Carroll Brentano.

Critical Sense
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Critical Sense is a semi-annual interdisciplinary journal of political and cultural theory published by and for Berkeley humanities and social science graduate students. The Winter 1998-99 issue, featuring articles on writing by Naguib Mahfouz and Don DeLillo, the place of inspiration in politics, and the photography of Hannah Wilke, is currently available. The editorial board welcomes book reviews and invites full-length submissions for its Spring 1999 issue, entitled “Interrogating the Law.”
Please send any correspondence to Critical Sense, Dept. of Political Science, 210 Barrows Hall, University of California, Berkeley, CA 94720-1950.
monday march 1
Graduate School of Journalism
Adam Hochschild
12:30-1:30pm • North Gate Hall Library

Slavic Languages and Literatures • Annual Colloquia Series
Oskana Bulgakova and Dietmar Hochmuth • Screening of The Different Faces of Sergei Eisenstein
4:00pm • 117 Dwinelle Hall

Landscape Architecture • Berkeley Lecture Series
Vito Acconci
7:00pm • 112 Wurster Hall

tuesday march 2
Center for Western European Studies
Delegation of the European Commission Videoconference: Global Economic Crisis: Can Europe and America Help?
9:00-10:30am • 117 Dwinelle Hall

College Writing Programs
Berkeley Writers at Work
Barbara Christian
12:00 noon • Toll Room, Alumni House

Center for African Studies • Health and Society in Africa
William Reno • Local Politics, Global Economies and Africa’s New Breed of Warlords
4:00pm • 140 Stephens

Graduate Council • Hitchcock Lecture
A. James Hudspeth • How the Ear’s Works Work: Auditory Sensory Transduction
4:10pm • International House Auditorium

wednesday march 3
Center for Slavic and East European Studies
Sergey Ambartsumin • Science, Education, and Politics in Armenia
12:00 noon • 442 Stephens Hall

Demography • Brown Bag Series
Andrew Noymer • A Nonlinear Model of Measles Transmission in Burundi and Gabriel Demombyne • An Analysis of Immigrant Wage Growth Using Multiple Matched CPS Samples
12:10pm • 2232 Piedmont Ave.

Institute of Personality and Social Research
Deborah Moskowitz • Traits, Behavior, and Affect
12:30pm • 5101 Tolman Hall

Thursday march 4
Lunch Poems Reading Series
Heather McHugh • Poetry Reading
12:10pm • Lipman Room, 8th Floor, Barrows Hall

Phoebe Hearst Museum of Anthropology
Lynn Ingram • The West Berkeley Shellmound—California Climatic and Oceanographic History (Gallery Talk)
12:15 pm • Phoebe Hearst Museum of Anthropology

Center for Southeast Asia Studies
James Scott • Hill-Valley Relations in Southeast Asia: How the Center Makes the Periphery and the Periphery Makes the Center
4:00pm • 6th Floor Conference Room, 2223 Fulton Street

Center for Latin American Studies
Rafael Barajas, El Fisgon • Humor and the Politics of Information: Jokes and Politicians—A Redundancy
4:00pm • location to be announced

Graduate Council • Hitchcock Lecture
A. James Hudspeth • Getting in Tune: Auditory Frequency Selectivity
4:10pm • International House Auditorium

Center for Slavic and East European Studies
Louis Nebelsick • The Female Image in Hallstatt’s Europe: Figurative and Sepulchral Iconography
7:30pm • 160 Kroeber Hall

English • Beckman Lectures
Homi Bhabha • Reflections On The “Quasi-Colonial”: Du Bois, du monde
8:00pm • Maude Fife Room, 315 Wheeler Hall

Berkeley Extension
Chang-Lin Tien and Orville Schell • Contemporary China: The Winds of Change
8:00pm • 155 Dwinelle Hall

friday march 5
Center for Chinese Studies
Conference • Vernacular Cultures
1:00-8:30pm and Saturday 9am-6pm • Seaborg Room, Faculty Club
The Beatrice Bain Research Group
Conference • Boundaries in Question: Geographies of Feminism
March 5-6 • 9:00am-7:00pm • Lipman Room, 8th Fl. Barrows

saturday march 6
Berkeley Art Museum
Symposium • Irish Art, Politics, and Identity
9:00am-5:00pm • Gund Theater, Berkeley Art Museum/Pacific Film Archive

Townsend Center
Peony Pavilion Symposium
9:30am-5:00pm. See Events section for further information

sunday march 7
Townsend Center
Peony Pavilion Symposium
9:30am-12:30pm • Heyns Room, Faculty Club

Berkeley Art Museum
James Steward • The Irishness of Irish Painting
3:00pm • Gund Theater, Berkeley Art Museum/Pacific Film Archive

monday march 8
Townsend Center
Susan Stewart • Lecture: Nocturnes
4:00pm • Geballe Room, Townsend Center, 220 Stephens Hall

Tuesday march 9
Berkeley-Stanford Joint Center for African Studies
Kirk Hastings, Lynne Withey • The SCAN Project: A Digital Solution to the Monograph Crisis?
4:00pm • 140 Stephens Hall

Townsend Center
Susan Stewart, Jean Day • Readings
4:00pm • Geballe Rm, Townsend Center, 220 Stephens Hall

History of Art
Briany Fer • The Subject of Seriality (after Manzoni)
5:00pm • 308J Doe Library

wednesday march 10
Demography • Brown Bag Series
Clementine Rossier • What Socio-Demographic Factors Influence Abortion Risk, and Why? Answers from the Swiss FFS and Minki Chatterji • Cultural Factors and Parental Behaviors in Java, Indonesia
12:10pm • 2232 Piedmont Ave.

Institute of Personality and Social Research
Phillip Shaver • Attachment
12:30pm • 5101 Tolman Hall

The Beatrice M. Bain Research Group • Women, Gender, and Sexuality Speaker Series
Jennifer Summit • The ‘Lost’ Woman Writer and the Making of English Literary History, 1540-1580
5:00pm • Maude Fife Room, 315 Wheeler Hall

College of Environmental Design Lecture Series
Wes Jones • Some Boss Houses
7:00pm • 112 Wurster Hall

Graduate School of Journalism • Caen Lecture Series
Larry Ellison • Call 642-9988 for tickets
8:00pm • Zellerbach Hall

Classics • Sather Classical Lectures
Henk Versnel • Coping with the Gods: Wayward Readings of Greek Theology—God
8:10pm • 2050 Valley Life Sciences

Thursday march 11
American Studies Working Group • Thursday Lunch Talks
Charlotte Cote • Aboriginal Sovereignty and Nationalism in the United States and Canada
12:00 noon • Townsend Center, 220 Stephens Hall

Philosophy • Department Colloquium
Michael Resnik • Against Logical Realism
4:00pm • Howison Library, 305 Moses Hall

English • Beckman Lectures
Homi Bhabha • Reflections On The “Quasi-Colonial”: The Freedom of Strangers
5:00pm • Maude Fife Room, 315 Wheeler Hall

Joint Doctoral Program in Jewish Studies • Pell Lecture Series in Holocaust Studies
Omer Bertov • Fields of Glory: War, Genocide, and the Glorification of Violence
7:30pm • 145 Dwinelle Hall

Friday march 12
Center for Slavic and East European Studies • Annual Berkeley-Stanford Conference
The New Elites in Post-Communist Societies
9:30am • Toll Room, Alumni House
CALENDAR

Berkeley Language Center
Ron Scollon • Intercultural Communication: Problem, Solution, New Problem
3:00pm • 370 Dwinelle Hall

Graduate Film Studies Group
Conference • The Genius of the (Other) System: The Rise and Fall of the Major Soviet Studios (Screenings)
4:00-9:30pm • 117 Dwinelle Hall

Asian American Studies
Redefining Merit after Prop. 209 - A National Conference
March 12-14 • Radisson Miyako Hotel, San Francisco

saturday march 13
Graduate Film Studies Group
Conference • The Genius of the (Other) System: The Rise and Fall of the Major Soviet Studios
9:00am-6:00pm • 370 and 371 Dwinelle Hall (level G)

sunday march 14
Archaeological Research Facility
Sarah Morris • From Ephesus to Athens: Cult Images of Artemis and Athena?
3:00pm • 370 Dwinelle Hall

monday march 15
Philosophy • Townsend Lectures
Thomas Nagel • The Psychophysical Nexus
4:00pm • Howison Library, 305 Moses Hall

Landscape Architecture • Berkeley Lecture Series
Anna Valentina Murch • Lightscapes
7:00pm • 112 Wurster Hall

Joint Doctoral Program in Jewish Studies • Pell Lecture Series in Holocaust Studies
Omer Bertov • Grand Illusions: Pacifism, Resistance, and Myths of Self-Liberation
7:30pm • 145 Dwinelle Hall

Tuesday march 16
Philosophy • Townsend Lectures
Thomas Nagel • The Psychophysical Nexus
4:00pm • Howison Library, 305 Moses Hall

East Asian Languages • Tompkins Lectures
Alan Martin Tansman • Mournful Tears and Sake: The Lachrymose Myth of a Japanese Singer
5:00pm • Seaborg Room, Faculty Club

Wednesday march 17
Demography • Brown Bag Series
Kenneth Young Chay and Michael Greenstone • The Association between Particulates Pollution and Infant Mortality and Birthweight
12:10pm • 2232 Piedmont Ave.

Institute of Personality and Social Research
Gisela LaBouvie-Vief • Basic and Complex Affects: Their Roles in Life-span Development
12:30pm • 5101 Tolman Hall

Italian Research and Study Program
IRAS Working Group • Italy and the Balkans
6:00pm • 344 Campbell Hall

College of Environmental Design • Lecture Series
Carlos Jimenez • Recent Works
7:00pm • 112 Wurster Hall

Joint Doctoral Program in Jewish Studies • Pell Lecture Series in Holocaust Studies
Omer Bertov • Apocalyptic Visions: Utopia, Totalitarianism, and the Universalization of Trauma
7:30pm • 145 Dwinelle Hall

Art Practice • Art, Technology, and Culture Colloquium
Diana Thater • The Best Animals Are the Flat Animals: The Best Space Is the Deep Space
7:00pm • 160 Kroeber Hall

Classics • Sather Classical Lectures
Henk Versnel • Coping with the Gods: Wayward Readings of Greek Theology--Playing the God
8:10pm • 2050 Valley Life Sciences

Thursday march 18
The Beatrice M. Bain Research Group • Women, Gender, and Sexuality Speaker Series
Linda McDowell • Gender and Globalization I
4:00pm • 370 Dwinelle Hall

English • Beckman Lectures
Homi Bhabha • Reflections On The “Quasi-Colonial”: Part Way to Paradise
5:00pm • Maude Fife Room, 315 Wheeler Hall
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| **Friday March 19** | Berkeley Language Center  
**Jim Cummins** • Putting Language Proficiency in Its Place: The Status of Academic Language Proficiency in the Education of Bilingual Students  
3:00pm • 570 Dwinelle Hall  

College of Environmental Design Lecture Series  
Archigram Presentation  
7:00pm • 112 Wurster Hall |
| **Sunday March 21**  | Berkeley Art Museum  
**John Losito** • Artists and the Irish Landscape  
2:00pm • Galleries 2 and 3, Berkeley Art Museum |
| **Thursday March 25** | American Studies Working Group • Thursday Lunch Talks  
**Ellen Fernandez Sacco** • Racial Displays: Creating National Identity in the Cultural Landscape of the Early Republic  
12:00 noon • Townsend Center, 220 Stephens Hall |
| **Sunday March 28** | Phoebe Hearst Museum of Anthropology  
Panel Discussion • Design in Persian Rugs  
1:00-4:00pm • Phoebe Hearst Museum of Anthropology  

Archaeological Research Facility  
**Annalee Rejhon** • Reflections on a Sarmatian-Welsh Arthur  
3:00pm • Townsend Center, Geballe Room, 220 Stephens Hall |
| **Monday March 29** | Townsend Center  
Symposium • The Future of the Humanities Ph.D.  
2:00pm • Maude Fife Room, 315 Wheeler Hall  

The Beatrice M. Bain Research Group  
**Daiva Stasiulis and Radha Jhappan** • Kiderotica: Hollywood’s Sexualization of Children  
4:00pm • 370 Dwinelle Hall  

Slavic Languages and Literatures • Annual Colloquia Series  
**David Frick** • Vilnius, 1640: Peoples, Confessions, and Languages in Contact  
4:00pm • 219 Dwinelle Hall  

Italian Studies  
**Alison Brown** • Men and Centaurs: The Recovery of Lucretius in Fifteenth-Century Florence  
5:00pm • 3335 Dwinelle Hall |
| **Tuesday March 30** | Center for German and European Studies  
**Bennett Freeman** • Nazi Gold and Holocaust Era Assets: Completing the Unfinished Business of the Second World War  
4:00pm • 201 Moses Hall  

Graduate Council • Jefferson Memorial Lecture  
**Frank H.T. Rhodes** • The American University: Dinosaur or Dynamo?  
4:10pm • Lipman Room, 8th Floor, Barrows Hall  

Human Rights Center  
1998/1999 Research and Teaching Fellows presentation  
5:00pm • Faculty Club |
| **Wednesday March 31** | Demography • Brown Bag Series  
**Kimber Haddix** • Marriage, Economy, and Reproduction in a Polyandrous Tibetan Village  
12:10pm • 2232 Piedmont Ave.  

Institute of Personality and Social Research  
**Frank Sulloway** • Personality and the Non-shared Environment  
12:30pm • 5101 Tolman Hall  

The Beatrice M. Bain Research Group • Women, Gender, and Sexuality Speaker Series  
**Robyn Wiegman** • Whiteness Studies and the Paradox of Particularity  
5:00pm • Maude Fife Room, 315 Wheeler Hall |
working groups
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JAGNES (Journal of the Association of Graduates in Near Eastern Studies)

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http://ishi.lib.berkeley.edu/~hsp/JAGNES

JAGNES is a biannual publication of graduate student articles and book reviews relating to the ancient and modern Near and Middle East.

Qui Parle

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Qui Parle publishes bi-annually articles in literature, philosophy, visual arts, and history by an international array of faculty and graduate students. The editors welcome submissions from Berkeley graduate students in the humanities.

Volume 10.2, “Heidegger & Co.,” is now available and includes articles by Giorgio Agamben, Jed Deppman, Peter Gordon, Philippe Lacoue-Labarthe, Raj Sampath, and Gianni Vattimo. The forthcoming volume 11.1 will include articles by Judith Butler on Descartes and Barrett Watten on the Avant-Garde.

Direct all correspondence to Qui Parle, The Doreen B. Townsend Center for the Humanities, 220 Stephens Hall, University of California, Berkeley, CA, 94720-2340.

repercussions

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The journal connects music with non-musicological disciplines, drawing on a range of historiographical, critical and ethnomusicological approaches. The editors welcome interdisciplinary submissions.

The most recent issue features articles on Anton Webern’s middle period works, Benjamin Britten’s “Nocturne,” and the characterizations of musical temporality presented by Adorno and de Man. Forthcoming articles include a discussion of race and gender stereotyping of Chinese in American popular sheet music and an interpretive essay on k.d. lang’s cover of Cole Porter’s “So in Love with You.”

Address correspondence and submissions to repercussions, Dept. of Music; 107 Morrison Hall #1200; University of California; Berkeley, CA 94720-1200.

HUMAN RIGHTS CENTER EVENTS

1998-1999 Research and Teaching Fellows
A presentation & reception
March 30 1999, 5:00 pm
The Faculty Club

Fellows:
Stan Sesser
Censorship of the Internet in Asia

Jody Ranck
Women, Human Rights, and Survival in post-Genocide Rwanda

Mark Danner
Beyond the Mountains: Haiti and the Legacy of Duvalier

Sheri Lee Fink
Medical Practice and Ethnic Identity in Bosnia

Gilles Peress
Power in the Blood: Sectarian Violence in Northern Ireland

Karl Schoenberger
Human Rights and Corporate Social Responsibility

Harvey Weinstein
Forced Migration Project/Justice and Social Reconstruction in Bosnia

A Boalt Hall student will also give a brief report on the activities of the International Human Rights Law Clinic.
Peony Pavilion Symposium
March 6 and 7, 1999
Symposium organized by the Townsend Center with support from the Center for Chinese Studies and the Berkeley Consortium for the Arts.

Peter Sellars’s production of the Chinese classical opera, Peony Pavilion takes place March 5-7. Call Cal Performances at 642-9988 for tickets.

Peony Pavilion in the Study:
Representations and Literary Performance
Saturday March 6, 9:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.
The Seaborg Room, Faculty Club
Tina Lu, University of Pennsylvania; Catherine Swatck, University of British Columbia; Judith Zeitlin, University of Chicago. Discussant: Cyril Birch, UC Berkeley
This session is held in conjunction with the Center for Chinese Studies’s Symposium on Vernacular Cultures. For further info, call 510-643-6321

Peony Pavilion on Stage: Conversations and Adaptations
Saturday, March 6, 2:00 p.m. - 5:00pm.
the Maude Fife Room, 315 Wheeler Hall
Round-table discussion: Claire Conceison, Cornell University; Elizabeth Wichmann-Walczak, University of Hawaii; Isabel Wong, University of Illinois at Urbana Champaign; John Y. Zou, UC Berkeley. Event includes a discussion with the creators and performers of Peter Sellars’s Peony Pavilion: Peter Sellars, Hua Wenyi, Susan Pertel Jain, and others

Peony Pavilion in the Critics Circle
Sunday March
9:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.
The Heyns Room, Faculty Club
Meiling Cheng, University of Southern California; Gu Yi’an, Shanghai Theater Academy, Shanghai; Liao Ben, All-China Drama Association, Beijing; John Rockwell, The New York Times; Mark Swed, The Los Angeles Times

The Future of the Humanities Ph.D.
Monday, March 29
2:00-5:30 p.m., Maude Fife Room, 315 Wheeler Hall
Sponsored in cooperation with the Graduate Division
Welcome: Christina Gillis
Associate Director, Townsend Center

Session I
Chair: Joseph Cerny
Dean of the Graduate Division
Maresi Nerad
Director of Research, Graduate Division
Samuel Otter
English
Kimball Wilkins
Ph.D. candidate, English
Benjamin Widiss
Ph.D. candidate, English

Session II
Chair: Randolph Starn
Director, Townsend Center
Thomas Bender
University Professor of the Humanities and Professor of History, New York University
Sandria Freitag
former Executive Director, American Historical Association
Jonathan Sheehan
Ph.D. candidate, History
Paul Alpers
English
Peter Lyman
School of Information Management
major lectures

Graduate Council
Charles M and Martha Hitchcock Lectures
A. James Hudspeth
F.M Kirby Professor and Head, Laboratory of Sensory Neuroscience, the Rockefeller University; Investigator, Howard Hughes Medical Institute
How the Ear's Works Work:
Auditory Sensory Transduction
Tuesday, March 2
Auditory Frequency Selectivity
Thursday, March 4
Both lectures at 4:10 pm International House Auditorium

Jefferson Memorial Lectures
Frank H.T. Rhodes
President Emeritus and Professor Emeritus of Geological Sciences, Cornell University
The American University: Dinosaur or Dynamo?
Tuesday, March 30, 4:10 p.m., Lipman Room, 8th Floor, Barrows

Italian Studies
Ringrose Lecture
Teresa de Lauretis
Professor of History of Consciousness, UC Santa Cruz
Popular Culture and Private Fantasies: from Gramsci to Cronenberg
6:00 pm, Wednesday March 3, Maude Fife Room, 315 Wheeler

English Department
Beckman Lectures
Homi Bhabha
Chester D. Tripp Professor in the Humanities at the University of Chicago
Reflections On The “Quasi-Colonial”
Du Bois, du monde
The Freedom of Strangers
Part Way to Paradise
Thursday, March 4
Thursday, March 11
Thursday, March 18
All three lectures at 5:00pm, The Maude Fife Room, 315 Wheeler

Philosophy
Townsend Lectures
Thomas Nagel
Professor of Law & Professor of Philosophy, New York University
The Psychophysical Nexus
March 15, 16, 17, 4:00 pm, Howison Library, 305 Moses Hall

major lectures

Joint Doctoral Program in Jewish Studies
Fell Lecture Series in Holocaust Studies
Omer Bertov
Professor of History, Rutgers University
Fields of Glory:
Thursday, March 11
War, Genocide, and the Glorification of Violence
Grand Illusions:
Monday, March 15
Pacifism, Resistance, and Myths of Self-Liberation
Apocalyptic Visions:
Wednesday, March 17
Utopia, Totalitarianism, and the Universalization of Trauma
All three lectures at 7:30 pm • 145 Dwinelle Hall

East Asian Languages
Tompkins Lectures
Alan Martin Tansman
East Asian Languages and Cultures, Georgetown University
Mournful Tears and Sake:
The Lachrymose Myth of a Japanese Singer
Monday, March 15
The Sobbing Yakuza of Hasegawa Shin: Japanese Silent Film and the Search for the Lost Mother
Tuesday, March 16
Both lectures at 5:00pm, the Seaborg Room, Faculty Club

CONFERENCES

Graduate Film Studies Group
The Genius of the (Other) System:
The Rise and Fall of the Major Soviet Studios
March 12-13, 1999 in Dwinelle Hall
Sylvia Swift, (415) 928-7712, madonna@socrates.berkeley.edu

Friday, March 12 4:00-9:30 pm  Screenings in 117 Dwinelle
Saturday, March 13 All Sessions in 370 and 371 Dwinelle
9:30-11:50 am
Alexander Pozdniakov, Lenfilm Studios, on Lenfilm; Bohdan Nebesio, University of Wisconsin-Madison, on VUFKU; Panayiota Mini, University of Wisconsin-Madison, on Mezhrabpom-Rus
1:20-4:10 pm
Maya Turovskaya, VNIIK, on Mosfilm; Oksana Bulgakowa, Stanford University, on Mosfilm; Alexander Prokhorov, University of Pittsburg, on the director Ivan Pyriev; Dina Iordanova, University of Leicester, on East European cinema
4:20-5:00 pm
Roundtable discussion with Anne Nesbet, UC Berkeley, Peter Kenez, UC Santa Cruz, and earlier presenters
The 10th Annual Berkeley Symposium: Interdisciplinary Approaches to Visual Representation

Saturday, March 6, 1999  A graduate student symposium
Andersen Auditorium, Haas School of Business
For further info: emeltzer@uclink4.berkeley.edu or (510) 848-7458

9:00 a.m. Breakfast Reception
9:30 a.m. Panel I: Seams of Interpretation

11:30 a.m. Keynote Richard Meyer, Professor of Art History, USC, “In Defense of Iconography”

2:00 p.m. Panel II: Visual Economies and Corporeal Exchange

4:00 p.m. Panel III: (Trans)national Inscriptions

Irish Art, Politics, and Identity

Saturday, March 6, 9:00 am - 5:00 pm
Gund Theater, Berkeley Art Museum/Pacific Film Archive
Admission: $15 general public; $5 BAM/PFA members and UC Berkeley faculty; free for students with proof of current enrollment. For further information, please call (510) 642-2358. Advance registration is recommended.

9:00 am - Registration and coffee

9:30 - 12:30 Morning Session: “Inventing Ireland”

12:30 - 2:00 Lunch break and open gallery visit

2:00 - 5:00 Afternoon Session: “Embodying Ireland”

Redefining Merit after Prop. 209

Asian American Studies, UC Berkeley & Asian Pacific Americans in Higher Education (APAHE)

Annual Conference of the APAHE
March 12-14, 1999
Radisson Miyako Hotel, San Francisco, CA
Tel. 510-642-6555, Fax 510-642-6456, Email: asamst@uclink4.berkeley.edu; http://socrates.berkeley.edu/~ethnicst/apahe/main.html
The Beatrice Bain Research Group, The Designated Emphasis in Women, Gender and Sexuality, Women’s Studies, English, Geography, The Graduate Assembly, The Doreen B. Townsend Center for the Humanities, and The Chancellor’s Student Activity Fund

**Boundaries in Question: Geographies of Feminism**

A symposium spotlighting graduate student work in feminist research, theory, and practice
March 5-6, Lipman Room, 8th Floor Barrows Hall
For further info, call 510-643-3040 or see website: http://socrates.berkeley.edu/~wgs/boundaries.html

**Friday, March 5**
9:00am - 10:45am
Panel A: Identity and Methodology
Panel B: Women’s Bodies as Contested Sites

11:00am - 12:45pm
Panel A: Bringing Black Women to Flesh: Gender, Sexuality and Counter-Discourse in the Cultural Production of the African Diaspora
Panel B: International Intersections

1:00 - 2:00 Lunch

2:00 - 3:45 Keynote Address
Caren Kaplan, Women’s Studies, & Inderpal Grewal, SFSU

4:00 - 5:45, Friday, March 5
Panel A: Mobilizing Chicana Identities
Panel B: Sex, Romance, and Tourism

6:00 - 8:00 Reception - UCLA Bulgarian Women’s Choir

**Saturday, March 6**
9:00am - 10:45
Panel A: Renegotiating Feminism
Panel B: (Im)migration

11:00am - 12:45pm
Panel A: Bridges, Boundary Crossings and Asian Difference
Panel B: Nationalisms

1:00 - 2:00 Lunch

2:00 - 3:45
Panel A: Queer Domesticity in Conflict
Panel B: Representation and Visual Culture

4:00 - 5:45
Panel A: Rearticulating the “East”: Japan
Panel B: Resistance and State Institutions

6:00 - 7:00 Plenary Panel

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**Center for Slavic and East European Studies, UC Berkeley and Center for Russian and East European Studies, Stanford University**

**The New Elites in Post-Communist Societies**

Friday, March 12, 9:30 am, Toll Room, Alumni House
Center for Slavic and East European Studies, (510) 642-3230, csees@uclink4.berkeley.edu

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**Center for Chinese Studies**

**Symposium on Vernacular Cultures**

March 5-6, 1999, Seaborg Room, Faculty Club
643-6321, chinactr@socrates.berkeley.edu
http://ieas.berkeley.edu/ccs/annsym.htm

1:00-2:45 p.m. March 5  Panel 1  Stephen West, Chair
Mary Scott, SFSU; Wei Shang, Columbia; Boris P. Morosoli, University of Zurich

3:00-5:00 p.m. Panel 2 Chair: Sun Chaofen, Stanford
Andrew Wong and Qing Zhang, Stanford; Li Liu, UC Berkeley; Laikwan Pang, University of Hong Kong; Kwai-Cheung Lo, Hong Kong Baptist University

6:30-8:30 p.m. Panel 3 Chair: Jeffrey Riegel, UC Berkeley
Stephen Owen, Harvard; Maram Epstein, University of Oregon; Li Wai-yee, Princeton; Robert Hymes, Columbia

9:30-12:00 p.m. Panel 4 See page 13, Peony Pavilion Symposium

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1:00-3:00 p.m. Panel 5 Chair: Robert Ashmore, UC Berkeley
Sophie Volpp, UC Davis; Wilt L. Idema, Leiden University; Laura A. McDaniel, Vanderbilt University; Ching-sheng Huang, National Chengchi University

3:15-6:00 p.m. Panel 6 Chair: Stevan Harrell
Fan Ke, University of Washington; Hsin-yi Lu, University of Washington; Stevan Harrell, University of Washington; Hai Ren, University of Washington; Nickola Pazderic, University of Washington
CONFERENCEs

UC Berkeley Extension and The Bancroft Library

25 Years of Biotechnology

Saturday March 13, Dwinelle Hall
To enroll: 642-4111 or http://www.berkeley.edu/unex/enroll.
Website: http://www.berkeley.edu/unex/biotech
e-mail: science@unix.berkeley.edu Phone 643-0598

Morning Program
“DNA in Plain English: a Biotechnology Primer” Desmond Mascarenhas, Celtrix Pharmaceuticals
9:00am-12:00pm, 145 Dwinelle Hall, $20.00

Afternoon Symposium
Each afternoon program is open to the public and free of charge
1:00 - 6:00 pm, Saturday, March 13
155 Dwinelle Hall, no charge

1:00 p.m. Introduction
Charles B. Faulhaber, Director, Bancroft Library

1:15 p.m. Keynote
“From the Double Helix to the Human Genome Project”
Thomas D. Watson, Nobel Laureate and President, Cold Spring Harbor Laboratory

1:45 p.m. Panel “Historical Perspectives of rDNA Pioneers”
Edward Penhoet, Dean, School of Public Health; Former CEO, Chiron Corporation, Moderator
James D. Watson
Stanley Cohen, Prof. of Genetics, Stanford, and co-developer of rDNA technology
William Rutter, Prof. emeritus of Biochemistry (UCSF); Chairman, Chiron Corporation
Paul Rabinow, Anthropology; author of “Making PCR”

3:30 p.m. Panel
“Future Perspectives: rDNA in Science, Industry, Society
Daniel E. Koshland, Jr., Prof. emeritus of Molecular & Cell Biology, and former editor, “Science,” Moderator
Paul Berg, Nobel Laureate and Prof. of Biochemistry, Stanford
J. Michael Bishop, Nobel Laureate and Chancellor, UCSF
G. Stephen Barrass, CEO, Barrass & Co.
Annalee Saxenian, Prof. of City & Regional Planning, UCB; author of “Regional Advantage: Culture & Competition in Silicon Valley and Route 128”

5:00 p.m. Reception

EXHIBITS

Art Practice
Worth Ryder Art Gallery, 116 Kroeber Hall
Tues-Fri 1:00pm-4:00pm

The Dirt Show
March 30 through April 9

College of Environmental Design
10:00 am - 4:00 pm, 106 Wurster Hall

Contemporary Artists
Contents under Pressure: Thoughts in Grffiti
March 3 through March 20

Phoebe Hearst Museum of Anthropology

Native American Portraits: Photographs by William Heick
Through June

Ancient Treasures from Modern Iran
Through 1999

A Taste of Culture: Approaches to the Study of Cuisine
Through 1999

Food in California Indian Culture
Through 1999

Phoebe Hearst Museum - Approaching a Century of Anthropology
Through 1999

Ishi and the Invention of Yahi Culture
Through 1999

Berkeley Art Museum

MATRIX
A Measured Quietude: Works on Paper by Contemporary Irish Artists
Through April 25

When Time Began to Rant and Rage: Figurative Painting from Twentieth-century Ireland
Through May 2

Theater Gallery
Rollins + K.O.S.: Works on Paper
Through March 14

Theater Gallery
Photographs by Johann van der Keuken
March 20 through June 27

Asian Galleries
Dreams and Transformations in Late Ming China
Through June 27

MATRIX
Rigo ’99
Museum Facade
Through June 30
PERFORMANCES

Cal Performances/Center for Theater Arts

Coriolanus by William Shakespeare
Directed by Don Weingust

Through March 14, 1999, Zellerbach Playhouse
Center for Theater Arts 642-1677
http://ls.berkeley.edu/dept/theater/index.html

Department of Music
Wednesday Noon Concerts

www.ls.berkeley.edu/dept/music
12:15 • Hertz Hall, Free

Piano: Schumann & Debussy
Wednesday, March 3
Ivan Ilic, piano
Schumann: Symphonic Études, op. 13 (theme & études variations)
Debussy: Delphic Dancers, What The West Wind Has Seen, and
Sunken Cathedral from Préludes for Piano, Bk. I

Brahms Piano Quartet
Wednesday, March 10
Raymond Wang, piano; Dawn Madole, violin; Andrew Lan,
viola; La Verne Sheu, cello
Brahms: Piano Quartet No 3, op. 60

Javanese Gamelan
Wednesday, March 17
Central Javanese gamelan music performed by Berkeley’s
Gamelan Sari Raras, directed by Ben Brinner with Lisa Gold
and guest artist Widiyanto S. Putro

Beethoven’s Fortepiano Music
Friday, March 19
George Barth, fortepiano
Beethoven: Sonata in C minor, op. 13 (”Pathétique”); selected
Bagatelles, op. 33; Sonata in D major, op. 28 (”Pastorale”)

Contemporary Piano Trios
Wednesday, March 31
Left Coast Chamber Ensemble
Anna Presler, violin; Leighton Fong, cello; Eric Zivian, piano
Works by American composers Mario Davidovsky, Kurt Rohde,
& Eric Zivian

Berkeley Art Museum
Mitch Landy performs Celtic Harp in the Galleries

Sunday, March 14 - 3:00 pm
Gallery B, Berkeley Art Museum/Pacific Film Archive

Organbooks & Livres d’Orgue: American variations on a
French theme
Sunday, March 7, 3pm
Annette Richards, organ
Works by de Grigny, Pinkham, Vierne, Albright, Ives

Organ Symphony & Requiem
Friday, March 12, 8pm
UC Davis Symphony Orchestra: D. Kern Holoman, conductor
Camille Saint-Saëns: Symphony No 3 in C Minor, op. 78 (”Organ
Symphony”) with David Deffner, organ
Maurice Duruflé: Requiem, op. 9 with the UC Davis University
Chorus, Jeffrey Thomas, director

Serpentina Opera Workshop II
Monday, March 29, 7:30-10:00 pm
Serpentina (Opera after a tale by E.T.A. Hoffman) Scenes 5, 6, 7
John Thow, composer; David Scott Marley, librettist; Jonathan
Khuner, Berkeley Opera director; soloists to be announced
Townsend Grant Application Deadlines
The deadline for applications for the 1999-2000 Townsend Center Working Group Program will be Friday, April 16, 1999. Full details will be given in the April-May Newsletter. Applications may be downloaded from the website.

Townsend Center Web Site
http://ls.berkeley.edu/dept/townsend/
- information on the Center's six funding programs for UCB affiliates
- the monthly calendar of on-campus humanities events
- the Occasional Papers (which may be downloaded)
- the World Humanities Survey database
- the year's special initiatives and visitors
- information on other national and international humanities funding sites
- archive editions of the Townsend Center Newsletter (which may be downloaded)
- the listserv archives of past campus events
- information on the Center's Working Groups
- instructions for subscribing to the listserv to receive announcements on campus events

Townsend Center List Server
The Townsend Center list server enables its members to announce to one another (via email) lectures, calls for papers, conferences, exhibits, and other events.

To subscribe or unsubscribe to the service, either
- Visit the Townsend Center listserv web page at http://ls.berkeley.edu/dept/townsend/listserv.html and follow the simple directions, or
- Send an email message to townsend-request@ls.berkeley.edu with either "subscribe" or "unsubscribe" in the message subject or body.

To post an announcement, subscribe and then send an email message to townsend@ls.berkeley.edu and give a specific subject heading.

Alchymeia
Shawn Brixey
February 18 - March 18

"Alchymeia" is a genetically engineered ice crystal installation where human hormones provide the nucleating agents to guide ice crystal growth, reflecting our presence in the crystals' atomic architecture.

Designed by Berkeley Professor Shawn Brixey for the 1998 Winter Olympics Ice Art Festival in Karuizawa, Japan, "Alchymeia" is both art object and art moment. As art object, it relies on neither traditionally reductive nor additive art process in its creation, but is instead "taught" how to build itself, encoded with a type of telematic goal of its own. As art moment, "Alchymeia" is not a computer simulation; it is real. It is, however, explored virtually on the Internet using "telepresence". Telepresence is described as the "experience" of being present in a real physical location but remote from one's true physical location.

Using "push" technology, a digital video-microscopy system provides a continuous "live feed" Internet webcast of the "Alchymeia" project. Real time streaming video, time-lapse (Quicktime) movies, stills and electronic postcards of the ice crystals in the installation can be navigated by site visitors.

As both new art and new technology, the "Alchymeia" project attempts to present an important evolutionary transformation in digital media by synthesizing emerging technologies with elements in nature; specifically space time and biology. This approach opens the wealth of science to the creative and cognitive model of the artist, while producing meaningful strategies for future computation-based hybrid art forms.

Newsletters Notes
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Copy deadline for the April/May Newsletter will be March 2. For inclusion of public events, please submit information to Genevieve Shiffrar at shiffrar@uclink4.berkeley.edu.

Call for Submissions
The Townsend Center invites submissions from faculty, students and staff for possible exhibition in the Townsend Center exhibit space. Please send slides or prints of up to six pieces of any medium to Randolph Starn, Director, Townsend Center. For further information, please call the Center at 643-9670.
Established in 1987 through the vision and generous bequest of Doreen B. Townsend, the Townsend Center gathers the creative and diverse energies of the humanities at Berkeley and enables them to take new form for new audiences. The Center’s programs and services promote research, teaching, and discussion throughout the humanities and related interpretive sciences at Berkeley.

Peony Pavilion Symposium
March 6 and 7, 1999
Symposium organized by the Townsend Center with support from the Center for Chinese Studies and the Berkeley Consortium for the Arts.

Peony Pavilion in the Study:
Representations and Literary Performance
Saturday March 6, 9:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m., the Seaborg Room, Faculty Club

Peony Pavilion on Stage: Conversations and Adaptations
Saturday March 6, 2:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m., the Maude Fife Room, 315 Wheeler Hall

Peony Pavilion in the Critics Circle
Sunday March 7, 9:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m., the Heyns Room, Faculty Club