Graduate Organization for the Study of Europe and Central Asia
18th Annual Conference

CHANGE, CONFLICT, AND DISSENT

12-13 February, 2021
Friday 5 - 8 PM
Saturday 10 AM - 7PM

Keynote Lecture: "Communism’s Shadow: Historical Legacies and Political Attitudes,"
Dr. Joshua Tucker, Professor of Politics, New York University
Friday, February 12 at 5 PM

*All times in EST

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Conference Schedule

Friday, February 12

5 PM: Keynote Lecture, "Communism's Shadow: Historical Legacies and Political Attitudes"
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6 - 7:20 PM: Panel 1 "Civil Society in Eastern Europe"
Moderated by: Dr. Andrew Behrendt
- Is Nexta (Someone) Leading Protests in Belarus?
  Katrina Keegan, Harvard University
- The ‘Storm Troops’ of Populism: Illiberal Civil Society in Law and Justice’s Poland - Cancelled
  Frances Cayton, Harvard University
- How Do Citizens of Non-democratic Countries Navigate the Myriad Available Channels for Collectively Engaging the State?
  Colleen Wood, Columbia University

7:25 - 7:45 PM: Opening Remarks

Saturday, February 13

10 - 11:20 AM: Panel 2 "Language, Narrative, & Ideology"
Moderated by: Dr. Edwin Everhart
- 30 Years of Kazakhstani Independence Through a Linguistic Lens
  Timur Akishev, University of Mississippi

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• Opposing the Ideology Through Literature and Language: The Case of Albanian Writers in Exile
  Aristea Kola, University of Michigan
• Loanword Ideology and Linguistic Purism in Post-Soviet Armenia
  Emma Santelmann, University of California, Berkeley, & Sean Nonnenmacher, University of Pittsburgh

11:30 AM - 12:50 PM: Panel 3 "Viewing the State"
  Moderated by: Dr. Sean Guillory
• Polish Nationhood and the Male: Film Revealing Change and Continuation
  Joseph Ernst, Ohio State University
• Resistance to Age in Late-Soviet and Post-Soviet Russian Children's Literature and Cinema: A Never-aging child, Alisa Selezneva
  Aleksandra Shubina, Ohio State University
• The Specificity of Historical Knowledge in Modern Dagestan: Resisting the Present Through the Frames of the Past
  Grigory Grigoryev, European University at St. Petersburg

12:50 - 1:30 PM: Break

1:30 - 2:50 PM: Panel 4 "Art Over the Ages"
  Moderated by: Aleksandra Carapella, PhD Fellow
• Protest Art as an Everyday Form of Resistance
  Karla Tepež, University of Ljubljana
• Khachaturian’s Ballet ‘Gayane’ and Soviet Orientalization
  Jordan Lian, Oxford University
• The Russian Holy Lands: Illustrations of Palestine and Athos, 1890-1914
  Luke Jeske, University of North Carolina - Chapel Hill
3:00 - 4:20 PM: **Panel 5 "History and Memory"**
Moderated by: Dr. Alissa Klots
- **Human Migration, Adaptation, and Memory as Experienced in Post-Soviet Monogorods: A Case Study Examination of Siberia’s Abandoned Ghost Town Kadykchan**
  Rachel Hutchison, Ohio State University
- **Securing the Soviet Union’s Future: The Political Police and Soviet Youth, 1935-1953**
  Alexandra Sukalo, Stanford University
- **Why must Central Asia and Algeria unveil?**
  Atikah Adzhar, Nazarbayev University

4:30 - 5:50: **Panel 6 "Reform and Repression"**
Moderated by: Dr. Vasili Rukhadze
- **Between a Rock and a Hard Place: Kazakhstan’s Response (or Lack Thereof) to Kazakh Escapees from Xinjiang**
  Natalie Hall, Columbia University
- **Building Democratic State Security Forces in the Former Socialist Space**
  Suzanne Freeman, Massachusetts Institute of Technology
- **Revolutions in the Semi-periphery: Poland, Hungary, and Illiberal Calibrations**
  Michael Kiel, University of Texas

5:50 - 6 PM: **Closing Remarks**

6 - 7 PM: **Social Hour**

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