Association for the Study of Law, Culture and the Humanities

19th Annual Conference

Reading Race, Writing Race and Living Race

UConn School of Law, Hartford CT, April 1-2, 2016
As of March 29, 2016
# ASLCH Conference Schedule

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1:30 – 2:00 pm: Ice Cream Social: Library Slate Foyer Courtesy Kent University, Great Britain

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Friday: 10:30-12:15 pm: Concurrent Sessions

1. Text, Image, and Spectatorship: Chase 110
   • Chris Geyer (Chair) - Spectatorial Citizenship: Why #blacklivesmatter Doesn't Change Anything
   • Naomi Mezey - Legal Facts, Cultural Artifacts and the Spectacle of Death
   • Leslie J. Moran - Bought for 18 pence each: Carté de visiot and the judicial image

2. Roundtable on the Role of Culture and Humanities in the Future of Undergraduate Legal Studies: Starr 204, Davis Courtroom
   • Renee Cramer (Chair) - Interdisciplinary Legal Education
   • William Rose - Law in/and the Liberal Arts: Politics, Professional Location, and the Production of Knowledge About Law
   • Jinee Lokaneeta - Contribution to "The Role of Culture and Humanities in the Future of Undergraduate Legal Studies"
   • Austin Sarat - The Past, Present, and Future of Undergraduate Legal Studies
   • Daniel LaChance - Contribution to Roundtable on The Role of Culture and Humanities in the Future of Undergraduate Legal Studies

3. Identity Rights and Intimate Wrongs: Chase 210
   • Allison Tait (Chair) - Harming Marriage
   • Sarah Swan - Engendering Third-Party Responsibility: Gender, Familial Interferences, and Triangulated Wrongs
   • Luke Norris - The Rights-Shift: Constitutional Liberty and the Ascendance of the 'Political'
   • Anne Dailey – discussant

4. Race, Hospitality, Humanitarianism: Approaches to Contemporary Narrative Forms: Knight 215
   • Audrey Golden (Chair) - Narrative Medicine: Human Rights and Remedy in Leslie Marmon Silko’s Ceremony
   • Crystal Parikh - Minor Subjects: The Rights of the Child in Law and Literature
   • Eleni Coundouriotis - Legal, Ethical, and Political Challenges: The Hospital Scene in Contemporary African Fiction
   • Alexandra Moore - Torture as Institutional Racial Violence in Mohamedou Ould Slahi’s Guantanamo Diary

5. Race, Rights, and Indigeneity: Knight 115
   • Genevieve Painter (Chair) - The Law’s Memory: The Politics and Practice of Archival Research in a Settler State
   • William Conklin - The Archaeology of Racism
   • K-Sue Park - The Role of Federal Torts in the Conquest of America

6. Theory, Interpretation, and Identity: Library 202
   • Nica Siegel (Chair) - Arendt, Kafka, and the Unfinished Work of Judgment
   • Zach Reyna - Antigone's Misstep?: How Natural Law Became Higher Law
   • Julen Etxabe - Rancière, politics and legal Interpretation
   • George Wright - Honneth, Heidegger and Reified Identity
Friday: 1:45-3:15 pm Concurrent Sessions

1. Law's Time 1: Starr 204, Davis Courtroom
   - Karl Shoemaker (Chair/discussant)
   - Jennifer Culbert – The Time of Law
   - Jill Stauffer – "How Time Passes in Law"
   - James Martel - Anarchist Time

2. American Poetry Imagines the Law: Chase 110
   - Birte Christ (Chair) - State Killing and the Poetic Series
   - Stefanie Mueller (co-Chair) - "The clouds part:” Corporations, Poetry, and Political Expression after Citizens United
   - Michael Stanford - James Wright's "at the Executed Murderer's Grave"
   - Brook Thomas - Civil Rights in Conflict with Civil Liberties

3. Corps de ballet: Examining Law's Aesthetic Dimensions: Chase 210
   - Stacy Douglas (Chair)
   - Meghan Johnston - Representing Race and Reconciliation: The Potential for Decolonization in the Royal Winnipeg Ballet’s Going Home Star
   - Tiffany MacLellan - Dis/playing Law’s Order: Museums, trials and Aesthetics
   - Samantha Hogg - Movements Through Atrocity: Decolonizing Law’s Recognition of “the Event”

4. Colonialism, Law, and Culture: Parallels, Continuities, and Connections Across Time and Space: Knight 115
   - Hedi Viterbo (Chair) - Analogy, Resistance, and Generational Segregation
   - Dana Lloyd - Public Roads, Private Property
   - Marc Trabsky - Techniques of Administration and Indentured Labourers in the Isle of Mauritius
   - Jane Anderson – discussant

5. Legal Subjectivities in a Raced World: Knight 215
   - Tal Kastner (Chair) - The Peculiar Institution of Slavery and its Shaping of the Deviant Subject
   - Susan Sterett - The Child as Legal Subject in Intercountry Adoption: alternative legal stories
   - Chantal Nadeau - Queer Human and Global Queer
   - Tara Helfman - Abolition by Litigation: The British Court of Vice Admiralty at Sierra Leone and the Abolition of the Transatlantic Slave Trade

   - Manoj Dias-Abey (Chair) - The role of regulatory regimes in the “flexibilization” and racialization of farm labour
   - Matthew Canfield - Food Sovereignty: Cultural Activism and the Critique of Racialized Labor

7. The Trial and Its History: Library 518
   - Perry Dane (Chair) - The Bloody Surgeon of Bologna
   - Sonali Chakravarti - Guilty. Not Guilty. Nullify
   - Nancy Marder - Foster v. Chatman: A Watershed Moment for Batson and the Peremptory Challenge?
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Friday: 3:30-5:00 pm: Concurrent Sessions

1. Law’s Time 2: Starr 204, Davis Courtroom
   - Jill Stauffer (Chair/Discussant)
   - Marianne Constable - The Eventuality of Law: Chicago Husband-Killing in Time and History
   - Martha Umphrey - The State of Mourning: Temporal Folding and Filmic Justice
   - Linda Ross Meyer – Sentencing in Time

2. Law, Art, and the Market: Chase 110
   - Lauren van Haafken-Schick (Chair) - Investing in Paper: Arbitraging the Art Market
   - Amy Adler - The Artifice of Authenticity
   - Antonios E. Platsas - "Towards an Ideology of Aesthetics in Law: Freedom, Eudaimonia and Dignity"

3. Law, Literature, and Racial Conflict: Chase 210
   - Sangina Patnaik (Chair) - The Novel Nation: Coetzee and Gordimer in Post-Apartheid South Africa
   - Jesse Goldberg - "He was already Dead": Social Death and the Racist Foundations of Law in Toni Morrison’s Song of Solomon
   - Michelle Barron - Legal and Literary Dialogues of Conflict and Context; Identifying Canada’s Slow Violence

4. Law on Screen 1: Knight 215
   - Peter Robson (Chair) - Race and Ethnicity in TV Law dramas in the 21st Century
   - Marilyn Terzic - Judge Judy Justice: Shaping the Evolution of the Syndi-Court Genre
   - Leslie Abramson - The Law of Silent Comedy: American Justice, Disorder, and Trials of Otherness in Keaton’s My Wife’s Relations

5. Law & Religion 1: Library 518
   - Samantha Godwin (Chair)- Religion, Culture, and Children’s Rights
   - David Fisher - Conscience In/As Law

6. Law’s Rhetorics: Library 202
   - Joana Aguiar e Silva (Chair) - Our history is our bond: law between language, culture and race
   - Jonas Gabrielsen - Rhetoric in Law – Are We Talking About the Same Thing?
   - Abigail Stepnitz - Asked and Answered: Legal narrative, trope and credibility in State v. Zimmerman
   - Austin Sarat, Robert Kermes, Margaret Kiley, Haley Cambra, Adelyn Curran, & Long You - The Rhetoric of Abolition: Continuity and Change in the Struggle Against America's Death Penalty

7. Constitutionalisms and Their Discontents: Knight 115
   - Ali Aslam (Chair/Discussant)
   - Dana Miranda - The Pitfalls of Constitutionalism
   - Shubhankar Dam - The Unenforced Constitution: Theory and Practice from India
   - Amanda Almeida - Brazil: The Constitutional Jurisdiction and The Judicial Activism Critical To The Article 52, Section X of The 1988 Federal Constitution Of Brazil

Friday: 5:00-6:30 pm: Reception: Library Slate Foyer
Saturday: 9:00-10:45 am: Concurrent Sessions

1. Law’s Time 3 (roundtable) Starr 204, Davis Courtroom
   - Jennifer Culbert (Chair/Discussant)
   - Sara Kendall
   - Hyo Yoon Kang
   - Mark Antaki

2. Criminalizing Rap and Deviantizing Artists: Political Ramifications and Racialized Effects: Chase 110
   - Stacy Douglas (Chair)
   - Erik Nielson - Part I - “For Every Rhyme I Write, It's 25 to Life”: Rap on Trial
   - Ummni Khan - I know you want it -- The Kinky Pleasures of Rapey Music
   - Travis Gosa - The Criminalization of Amateur Rap Videos
   - Charis Kubrin - Part II: “Now Turn the Mics Up”: Exposing the Use of Rap as Evidence

   - Michalyn Steele (Chair/discussant)
   - Bethany Berger - Savage Equalities
   - Jacqueline Hand - The Duty to Consult Indigenous People: Creating Sustainable Relationships
   - Allison Dussias - Water Quality and Inequality
   - Marcia Zug - Indian Law’s Family Law Problem

4. Familial Intimacy and the Law: Chase 210
   - Julia Simon-Kerr (Chair) - Intimate Lies (with Susie Schmeiser)
   - Susan Schmeiser - Intimate Lies
   - Jeffrey Dudas - Raising Rights: Law, Family, and the Making of Modern American Conservatism
   - Claire Rasmussen - Only the Lonely: Obergefell and the Queer History of Marriage Equality

5. Human Rights, Individualism, and Governance: Knight 115
   - Sara Ross (Chair) - Decolonizing Culture In The City: A Buen Vivir Approach To Urban Cultural Governance
   - Sarah Winter - Equiano’s Writ: Habeas Corpus, Human Rights, and Early British Abolitionism
   - Antonios E. Platsas - The Spirit of Cosmopolitanism in Modern Human Rights Law: A Comparative Overview
   - Panu Minkkinen - "The Whirlwind of Rights": Claude Lefort’s Radical Phenomenology of Human Rights

6. Race, Coloniality, and Discrimination: Library 518
   - Leila Brannstrom (Chair) - Race and ethnic origin in Swedish non-discrimination jurisprudence
   - Abigail Stepnitz - The drowned and the deported: Rearticulating refugees, humanity and credibility in contemporary Europe
   - Susan Brophy - Freedom, Law, and the Colonial Project
   - Sital Dhillon - Legislating for the multi-cultural state: A History of Race Relations in the United Kingdom
7. Law on Screen 2: Knight 215
   - John Strawson (Chair) - The Al Faqi case and the destruction of Cultural Heritage: Law, Culture and Humanity
   - Barry Collins - Human Rights on Film - A Critique
   - Zorana Dimitrijevic - The Making of Imprescriptible Dramaturgies or How Film can Imagine or Challenge Justice
   - Monica Lopez Lerma - Violent Cartographies in Enrique Urbizu’s No Peace for the Wicked (2011)

8. Literature, Theory, and Rights Discourse: Starr 112
   - Lev Marder (Chair) - Racial In/Justice: Revisiting The Charles Mills—Tommie Shelby Debate
   - Derefe Chevannes - Emancipatory Jurisprudence: Liberating the Province of Rights Discourse

10:45-11:00 am: Coffee Break, Starr Foyer, 2nd Floor

Saturday: 11:00 am-12:30 pm: Concurrent Sessions

1. Author Meets Readers: Jill Stauffer’s Ethical Loneliness: The Injustice of Not Being Heard: Starr 204, Davis Courtroom
   - Jennifer Culbert (chair)
   - Tom Dumm
   - Sara Kendall
   - Linda Meyer
   - Jill Stauffer (respondent)

2. Fictions of Legal Doctrine: Starr 112
   - Trinyan Mariano (Chair) – Transgenerational Geographies of Law in the Segregation Narrative
   - Kate Sutherland - Gender, Race, and Authorship: Harriet Beecher Stowe in Court
   - Dashiell Wasserman - Stranger Than Legal Fiction: Dred Scott, Charles Chesnutt, and the Politics of Legal Personhood.

3. Law, Literature, and Ethics: Chase 210
   - Stephen Alton (Chair) - The Strange Case of Dr. Henry Jekyll's Will: A Conversation with Gabriel John Utterson, Esquire
   - Sarah Higinbotham – “The Rarer Virtue”: Prospero’s Legal Ethics

4. Law, Music, and Modern Culture: Knight 115
   - Kyle Chattleton (Chair) - #BlackSoundsMatter: Hearing Race in the Sociolegal Soundscape of America
   - William Mercer - The Ballad of Hicks Carmichael

5. Narrative Conjectures: Plausibility and Reality in the Legal Discourse: Knight 215
   - Ralph Grunewald (Chair) - The Role of Chance in Legal and Literary Crime Narratives, or: The Case of Friedrich Dürrenmatt
   - Randy Gordon - Fictions and Models: Exemplary Narratives as Law
   - Sherally Munshi - White Slavery, Spiritualism, and the Crisis of Will in the Age of Contract
6. The 1970s and Their Legal Afterlives: Library 202
   • Hadar Aviram (Chair) - Tales of Monstrosity: A Longitudinal Analysis of Narratives of the Manson Family Murders, 1971-2015
   • Carol Pauli - A Civil Rights remembrance: Cairo, Illinois, 1971-74
   • Danielle Boaz - The “Voodoo Cult of Detroit”: Race, Human Sacrifice, and the Nation of Islam from the 1930s to the 1970s

7. Race, Contact, Conflict: Library 518
   • Edel Hughes (Chair) - Making Peace with Law: International Courts and Ethnic Conflict
   • Veronica Potes - Non-Settled Matters: Law and Relations between settler societies and Indigenous Peoples of recent contact

8. Law in Antebellum America: Chase 110
   • Sylvia Schafer (Chair)
   • Kathryn Mudgett - Venus Whittemore and the Judicial Construction of Freedom in Antebellum New England
   • Anne Sappington - Examining “The Humane Policy of Our Law”: The Exclusion and Admission of Slaves’ Confessions in Antebellum Alabama
   • Mary Campbell – Private Vengeance: State v. Mann and Louis Agassiz’s Slave Daguerreotypes
   • Sylvia Schafer - Respondent

12:30-2:00 pm: Lunch: Starr 201 Reading Room

Saturday 2:00-3:30 pm: Concurrent Sessions

1. Legal Bodies and Legal Ethics: Chase 110
   • John Acevedo (Chair) - Community Reparations to Restore Community Dignity in the Wake of Racially Motivated Police Misconduct
   • Sue Liemer - Embodied Legal Education

2. Law, Literature, and Theory: Chase 210
   • Chris Lloyd (Chair) - Deconstruction and Bio-politics: Anachrony, Apparition, Law.
   • Edwin Bikundo - Follow your leader I prefer not to: Models for Non-Violent Resistance in Giorgio Agamben via Herman Melville
   • Daniel McLoughlin - Killing in the Name of Life: Agamben and Foucault on Nazism, State Racism and the Camps

3. Legal Violence and its Theorists: Knight 115
   • Julen Etxabe (Chair)
   • Dimitrios Kivotidis - The End of the Weimar Republic and the Greek Memoranda: Necessity and Public Interest in Two ‘Exceptional’ Instances
   • Alejandra Maria Rodriguez Galán - The concept of the politics on Carl Schmitt and its relation to violence
4. Childhood, Memory, and the Law: Knight 215
   • Reginald Robinson (Chair) - Derrick Bell’s Space Traders: Childhood Cruelties as the Proper Locus for Interrogating the Full Meaning of Citizenship
   • Sinead Ring - Creating an Ethics of Memory for Historical Childhood Sexual Abuse in Ireland
   • Timothy Barouch - Legitimizing Regulations of the Child: Cleansing the Public Sphere and Qualifying Due Process

5. Terrorism, Violence, Turbulence: Library 202
   • Renée M. Byrd (Chair) – “Deconstructing the Violent/Non-Violent Offender Binary: California’s Proposition 47 in the News”
   • Sahar Aziz - (De)Essentializing Terrorism: A Typology of Terrorists

6. Property, Race, and Narrative: Starr 112
   • Torrey Shanks (Chair) - Fugitive Possession and the Reversal of Possessive Individualism
   • Deborah Gordon - Mor(t)ality: Wills, Narratives, And Personal Possessions

7. Sex, Race, and Legal Science: Library 518
   • Margaret Denike (Chair) - “Nature Calls: Sex Difference and the Return of ‘Science’”
   • Budrunnisa Khan - Sophie Treadwell’s Machinal: Fusing Legal Realism and Feminism
   • Larissa Brian - The Capture of Sexual Recognition as Legal Injury: Slave Law’s Rhetorical Force in Contemporary Affirmative Consent Laws

8. Panel on the Work of Nasser Hussain: Starr 204, Davis Courtroom
   • Melissa Ptacek (Chair)
   • James Martel
   • Martha Umphrey
   • Adam Sitze

Saturday: 3:45-5:15 pm Concurrent Sessions

1. Ownership, Property, Debt: Chase 110
   • Rana Jaleel (Chair) - "Reimagining Ownership: The Impact of Sexual Violence on the Law of Forced Labor, Human Trafficking, and Slavery"
   • Nicolette Bruner - The Tree That Owns Itself: Eco-Emancipation, Property, and the Lost Cause
   • Laurie Naranch - So Long American Dream!: Debt, Embodiment, and Democratic Violence

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