

Anthropology in London Day 2014

Directions and Connections across Anthropology

Tuesday 24 June 2014 9.30am-6pm, and evening reception

University College London, Department of Anthropology
14 Taviton Street, London

For further information and full abstracts see

<http://www.soas.ac.uk/anthropology/events/anthropology-in-london-2014/>

Programme

9.30am: Registration, coffee

10am-10.45am: Introductory remarks and opening plenary

Opening plenary

Venue: Archaeology Lecture Theatre

Welcome and introductory remarks:

Charlotte Bruckermann (LSE) and Allen Abramson (UCL)

Keynote speakers:

Adam Kuper (LSE) 'Buddy, Can You Spare a Paradigm?'

On the intellectual and institutional crisis faced by social anthropology in the 1980s and its consequences, still felt today.

Chair: Isak Niehaus (Brunel)

10.45am-11.15am: tea/coffee

11.15—1.15pm: Morning panels

Panel 1: The Body

Venue: Archaeology Lecture Theatre

Chair: Charlotte Bruckermann (LSE)

Presenters:

Alessia Costa (SOAS): "You don't buy an organ, you buy a transplant": the (bio)economy of travels for transplant from Japan to North America and Europe

Caitlin Robinson (SOAS): "Pressure Makes Diamonds": relational social intimacies and motivations for cosmetic surgery in Beirut

Carine Plancke (Roehampton): Dance and Dynamics of Globalisation: the tension between flow and form

Catalin Brylla (Goldsmiths): An Ethnophenomenographic Approach to Blindness and Subjectivity

Panel 2: Water and Environment

Venue: Daryll Forde seminar room

Chair: Pauline von Hellermann (Goldsmiths)

Presenters:

William Wheeler (Goldsmiths): Local Ideas about Sustainability in the Aral Sea Region of Kazakhstan

Zuzana Hrdlickova (Goldsmiths): Training, Science and Technology: building community resilience in South India

Andrea E. Pia (LSE): "Water is the Lifeline of the People": the care of water infrastructures in rural China

Ben Bowles (Brunel): Boaters on the Southern Waterways: becoming part of an emerging itinerant community at the margins of the state

Panel 3: Medicine

Venue: Room 129

Chair: Federica Guglielmo (Brunel)

Presenters:

Mary-Anne Decatur (SOAS): Medical Mistranslations and Contestations: Maasai community members and female genital cutting eradication efforts

Eleanor Hutchinson and Clare Chandler (LSHTM): Rapid Diagnostic Tests for Malaria: the promise of technological innovation in political and social context

Claude Jouselin (Goldsmiths): The Child is the Father of the Man: kinship and memory as diagnostic evidence

Lorelei Jones (LSHTM): Why Would Anyone Disagree With Us? An ethnographic study of health service reconfiguration policy in England

Panel 4: Religion

Venue: Room 130

Chair: Martyn Wemyss (UEL)

Presenters:

Fernande Pool (LSE): The Vernacular Secular of Rural Bengali Muslims

Marloes Janson (SOAS): 'Muslims are sleeping and we have to wake them up': moving towards Born-Again Islam?

Thanges Paramsothy (UEL): Violence and Caste Transformations: exploring socio-economic and religious mobility of Jaffna Tamils

Aleksi Knuutila (UCL): Was it God that Brought Us Here? Intimacy between lay members of evangelical churches in Austin, Texas

Daniele Bolazzi (Kings College): The Status of Alterity: a new form of religious discrimination?

1.15-2.15pm Lunch (curry buffet)

2.15-4.30pm Afternoon panels

Panel 5: Education

Venue: Archaeology Lecture Theatre

Chair: Peggy Froerer (Brunel)

Presenters:

Harry Walker (LSE): Interculturality Inside Out: learning to read in an Urarina classroom

Zofia Boni (SOAS): Children's Everyday Food Negotiations in Primary Schools in Warsaw

Claire Elisabeth Dungey (Aarhus/Brunel): Teachers as Kin? State formation, kinship ties and the role of deception in Uganda

Natalia Buitron-Arias (LSE): Schooling as Role-Play and Control: the challenge of norms and authority for an egalitarian society

Rachel J. Wilde (Institute of Education): Getting In and Getting On in the Youth Labour Market: entry practices, under-employment and skill formation in regional economies

Panel 6: Activism

Venue: Daryll Forde seminar room

Chair: Sophie Day (Goldsmiths)

Presenters:

Nick Long (LSE): Voting Against Democracy? Municipal elections in Western Indonesia

Martyn Wemyss (UEL): Cases and Connections – law-ways and life-ways in contemporary Bolivia

Brendan Donegan (LSE): Activist Classification and the People’s Health Movement in India

Peter Oakley (Royal College of Art): The Heart of Gold: manufacturing objects and material identities

Ellen Potts (UCL): Expanding Possibilities? Challenges of scale and connection in the UK climate justice movement

Panel 7: Women and Gender

Venue: Room 129

Chair: Isak Niehaus (Brunel)

Presenters:

Deborah James (LSE): “Women use our strength in the house”: savings clubs and social mobility in South Africa

Gunvor Jónsson (SOAS): The Malian Trade Diaspora in Dakar

Katharina Graf (SOAS): Domestic Cooking in Marrakech and Womanhood

Xandra Miguel Lorenzo (LSE): The Christian Care Centre: the Anglican Church of Melanesia caring response to gendered violence in the Solomon Islands

Sylvia Simpson (SOAS): Japanese Women in the UK Respond to the Tohoku Disaster

Panel 8: Culture and Place

Venue: Room 130

Chair: Tom Selwyn (SOAS)

Presenters:

Jastinder Kaur (SOAS): Culture, Conflict and Coups in Fiji: the politics and affect of ethnicity

Dominik Schieder (LSE): Negotiating Community Online: social media use among Fiji Islanders in Japan

Sahil K Warsi (SOAS): Media, Movement and Belonging: Afghan migrant cyborgs in New Delhi

Nicole I.J. Hoellerer (Brunel): Bhutanese Refugees' experiences of Refugee Resettlement in the UK

Amit Kumar Kisku (SOAS): Challenges and Practices of Anthropology at Home: an auto-ethnographical account

4.30-5pm: tea/coffee

5-6pm, Roundtable Discussion: The Expansion and Multiplicity of Anthropology: vibrancy or decay?

Venue: Archaeology Lecture Theatre

Participants: Liana Chua (Brunel), Stephan Feuchtwang (LSE), Martin Holbraad (UCL).

6-8pm: drinks reception and music from SOAS Ceilidh Band

