

HRANT DİNK MEMORIAL WORKSHOP

Coming to Terms with War, Genocide, and Political Violence

May 31 – June 2, 2013

Sabancı University
Minerva Palas, Karaköy, Istanbul

Organized by

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Turkish / English translation will be available throughout the conference.
Please register by writing to hrantdink-workshop@sabanciuniv.edu



FRIDAY, MAY 31

15:30-17:30 Parallel Event I: Coming to Terms through Art

LOCATION: DEPO

- Visiting the Exhibit “Bearing Witness to the Lost History of an Armenian Family through the Lens of the Dildilian Brothers (1872-1923)”
http://www.depoistanbul.net/en/activites_detail.asp?ac=88
- Open Forum
 - Moderator: Asena Günal (DEPO)
 - Osman Kavala (Anadolu Kültür)
 - Armen Tsolag Marsoobian (Southern Connecticut State University & Columbia University)

DEPO Istanbul, Tophane: <http://www.depoistanbul.net/en/contact.asp>

20.30-21.30 Parallel Event II: Coming to Terms through Theater

LOCATION: Şermola Performance (Beyoğlu)

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Theater performance followed by a discussion with Berfîn Zenderlioğlu and Mîrza Metîn

Nivîskar/Yazan/Playwright: Mîrza Metîn

Derhêner/Yönetmen/Director: Berfîn Zenderlioğlu

Lîstikvan/Oyuncular/Cast: Mîrza Metîn

In Kurdish, with Turkish subtitles

ŞERMOLA PERFORMANS: <http://www.sermolaperformans.com/>

Address: İstiklal cd. İmam Adnan-Nane sk. no:5 kat:2 Beyoğlu İstanbul (Turn on İmam Adnan Street from İstiklal, then take the second left onto Nane Street. It is the second building on your left)

For Reservation and Tickets, please call: + 90212 243 74 36 / +90 507 818 21 51

SATURDAY, JUNE 1

9:00-10:30 Coming to Terms with the Armenian Genocide I

LOCATION: MINERVA PALAS, KARAKÖY

Moderator: Oktay Özel (Bilkent University)

- Taner Akçam (Clark University): "Dealing with the Armenian Genocide in Turkey: Being Pressured Between Tacit Agreement of Silencing and Exterminatory Hatred"
- Cengiz Aktar (Hrant Dink Foundation): "Hrant Dink Foundation History Conferences"
- Fethiye Çetin (Hrant Dink Foundation): "Habab Fountain Project"

10:30-11.00 Coffee/Tea Break

11.00-12:30 Coming to Terms with the Armenian Genocide II

Moderator: Fikret Adanır (Sabancı University)

- Fatma Müge Göçek (University of Michigan): "The WATS Journey: Significant Turning Points"
- Ronald Grigor Suny (University of Michigan): "Catching Up with 1915: A Hundred Years Later"
- Halil Berktaş (Sabancı University): "Before and After the 2005 Conference: Problems of Pursuing Truth, Persuading the Public, and Seeking Justice"

12:30-14:00 Lunch Break

14:00-15:30 Defining Genocide: Law and Politics

Moderator: Setenay Nil Doğan (Yıldız Technical University)

- Reinhart Kössler (Arnold Bergstraesser Institut): "Politics of Genocide and Apology: The Namibian-German Case"
- Charles King (Georgetown University): "How Many Genocides? Concept Formation and the Study of Mass Violence"
- Ozan Erözden (Yıldız Technical University): "On the Use and Usefulness of International Criminal Tribunals in Coming to Terms With the Past: A Case Study of International Criminal Tribunal for Former-Yugoslavia"

15:30-15:45 Coffee/Tea Break

15:45-17:15 Memories across Generations

Moderator: Biray Kolluoğlu (Boğaziçi University)

- Sibel Halfon (Sabancı University): "Psychic Impact of Intergenerational Transmission of Massive Trauma"
- Leyla Neyzi (Sabancı University): "Youth and History in Turkey: To Remember or To Forget?"
- Andrea Petö (Central European University): "Micro-histories of Holocaust as a Strategy to Coming to Terms with the Past"

SUNDAY, JUNE 2

9:00-10:45 Coming to Terms with Political Violence in the Ottoman Empire

Moderator: Mehmet Ö. Alkan (Istanbul University)

- Sinan Dinçer (Leiden University): “Coming to terms with the Adana Massacres”
- Başak Ertür (Birkbeck College): “Haunting Justice: The Trial of Soghomon Tehlirian”
- Ümit Kurt (Clark University): “‘Legal’ and ‘Official’ Plundering of Armenian Properties during the Armenian Genocide: Grappling with ‘Existence’ and ‘Absence’”
- Özlem Galip (University of Oxford): “The Politics of Remembering: Massacres against Non-Muslims in Kurdish Novelistic Discourse”

10:45-11:00 Coffee/Tea Break

11:00-12:45 Facing History, Challenging Official Narratives

Moderator: Ömer Turan (Bilgi University)

- Saygun Gökariksel (City University of New York): “Facing History after State Socialism: Spectacles of Secrecy, Transparency, and Violence in Poland”
- Jennifer Dixon (Villanova University): “Changing the State’s Story: Continuity and Change in States’ Narratives of Dark Pasts”
- Duygu Gül (York University): “Reconstituting Citizenship: Trauma, Memory, and Justice in Turkey”
- Ayşe Parla (Sabancı University) & Ceren Özgül (City University of New York): “Proving Origins: Armenian Converts’ and Bulgarian Turkish migrants’ Encounters with the Law and the Governance of Sameness and Difference”

12:45-14:00 Lunch Break

14:00-16.00 Memory Work: Narration, Documentation, Commemoration

Moderator: Sibel Irzık (Sabancı University)

- Gert Weisskirchen (Erfurt University): “Memory Work in Germany”
- Gruia Badescu (University of Cambridge): “Post-Conflict Architecture: Coming To Terms with the Past and Urban Reconstruction”
- Marc Herzog (British Institute at Ankara): “Memory is always more than the prison house of the past: Practices of Remembrance, Forgetting and the Musealization of Political Violence at the Ulucanlar Cezaevi Müzesi in Ankara”
- Sossie Kasbarian (University of Lancaster) & Kerem Öktem (Oxford University): “Reconciling in the Diaspora: The Case of a Network of Turks, Armenians and Others in London”

16.00-16:15 Coffee/Tea Break

16:15-17:45 Facing Political Violence: Media and Activist Accounts

Moderator: Ayşe Öncü (Sabancı University)

- Leonidas Karakatsanis (British Institute at Ankara): “Repositioned / Re-Signified: Violence as a Bond? Reflections from the Turkish-Greek Encounters of the Left in the 1980s and 90s”
- Mirna-Radin Sabados (University of Novi Sad): “In a Lego Village Made of Words: Writing about the No Man’s Land Writers”
- Nurseli Yeşim Sünbuloğlu (University of Sussex): “The Soft Underbelly of Militarism: Media Representations of Disabled Veterans of Korea, Cyprus and the Southeast”