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LIFE CYCLE RITUALS AND TRADITIONS ACROSS CULTURES



2008 SUMMER SEMINAR
FOR EDUCATORS

JUNE 25-26, 2008

THE HENRY M. JACKSON SCHOOL OF INTERNATIONAL STUDIES
UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON, SEATTLE

WEDNESDAY
JUNE 25, 2008

- 8:00—8:45 Registration, coffee, tea, breakfast croissants, fresh fruit, muffins, bagels
- 8:45—8:50 *Welcome and introduction of Outreach Team at the Jackson School and other logistics*
FELICIA HECKER, Associate Director, Middle East Center, Jackson School, UW
- 8:50—9:20 *Introduction to Ritual Studies: Overview of Terms and Concepts*
PAULA HOLMES-EBER, Professor, Operational Culture, Marine Corps University, Quantico, VA
- 9:20—9:30 Break
- 9:30—10:20 *Marriage in India*
PRITI RAMAMURTHY, Professor, Women Studies; and Director, South Asia Center, Jackson School, UW
- 10:20—10:30 Break
- 10:30—11:20 *Marriage as Chinese Women's Life Cycle Ritual: A Revisionist History*
SASHA SU-LING WELLAND, Assistant Professor, Anthropology and Women Studies, UW
- 11:30—12:15 *Working sessions: Applying concepts in small groups, facilitated by*
PAULA HOLMES-EBER
- 12:15—1:20 LUNCH BUFFET—Marlai Thai
- 1:30—2:20 *Death and Dying in the Baltics*
GUNTIS SMIDCHENS, Assistant Professor, Scandanavian Studies, UW
- 2:20—2:30 Break
- 2:30—3:20 *The Jewish Wedding Ceremony*
RACHEL NUSSBAUM, Rabbi and Executive Director of Kavana
- 3:20—3:30 Break
- 3:30—4:20 *The Day of the Dead in Mexico*
DEBORAH CAPLOW, Lecturer, Art History, UW

THURSDAY
JUNE 26, 2008

- 8:00—8:30 Sign-in, coffee, tea, quiche , fresh fruit, danish
- 8:30—9:20 *Canada-US Indigenous Whaling Rights: The Cultural and Spiritual Significance of the Nuu-chah-nulth and Makah Whaling Traditions*
CHARLOTTE COTÉ, Assistant Professor, American Indian Studies, UW
- 9:20—9:30 Break
- 9:30—10:35 *Tea Ceremonies as Rituals in North Africa and the Middle East (HUB West Ballroom)*
PAULA HOLMES-EBER
- 10:35—10:40 Break
- 10:40—12:00 *Islamic New Year Ceremony of West Java, Indonesia: Celebrating the Dancing Body in Space and Community (HUB West Ballroom)*
ENDO SUANDA, Executive Director, Institute for Education in the Arts of Indonesia
- 12:15—1:20 LUNCH BUFFET: Mayas Mexican
- 1:30—2:20 *Traditional Xylophone Music and Funerals among the Dagaare of Northern Ghana*
CODY CASE, M.A. student, Ethnomusicology Program; and BARTHOLOMEW KOMOAH, M.A. student, Ethnomusicology Program, School of Music, UW
- 2:20—2:30 Break
- 2:30—3:20 *Panel Discussion: Coming of Age in Europe*
ALEXES HARRIS, Assistant Professor, Sociology (moderator), with UW graduate students: Kamil Jachec, Poland; Timo Lochocki, Germany; Annaig Ruban-Molina, France
- 3:20—3:30 Break
- 3:30—4:15 *UW Office of Educational Assessment—Evaluation forms*
ANGELA DAVIS-UNGER, Office of Educational Assessment
- 4:15—4:30 *Clock hours distribution*

All sessions are in Kane Hall, Walker-Ames Room, except the sessions from 9:35-12:00 on Thursday, which are in the HUB West Ballroom