



Radical Americas 2015

Venue: UCL Institute of the Americas, 51 Gordon Square, London WC1H 0PN

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Schedule

Monday 14th September

9.30-10.00 Registration

10.00-11.30 Panel 1: Radicalism and Natural Resources (Room 105)

Geoff Goodwin (LSE/Radical Americas) - 'State vs Community: Social and Political Struggles over Water in Ecuador'

Ainhoa Montoya (ILAS) - 'El Salvador's Ban on Mining: The Divergence between Governments and Social Movements'

Francesca Zunino (Kings' College London) - 'Radical Empowerment: The Struggle of the *Frente de Mujeres Mazahua en Defensa del Agua*, Mexico'

Chair: Graham Woodgate (UCL Institute of the Americas)

11.30-12.00 Coffee (Room 103)

12.00-13.00 Panel 2A: Contemporary Imperialism and Anti-Imperialism (Room 105)

Andy Higginbottom (Kingston) - 'Radical Colombia's Ongoing Fight Against Neo-Colonialism'

Johannes Wilm (New Left Notes) - 'The Short-Term Consequences of Successful *Coups d'Etat* Against Progressive Governments in Latin America in the 21st Century'

with chair and discussant Steph Pearce (Radical Americas)

12.00-13.00 Panel 2B: Langston Hughes in Mexico (Room 103)

Nick Grant (UEA/Radical Americas) - 'Langston Hughes, the New Negro and Anti-Imperialism'

William Booth (UCL/Radical Americas) - 'Bandits, Beans and Bullfights'

with chair and discussant Jak Peake (Essex)

13.00-14.15 Lunch Break (Network Meeting in Room 103, all welcome)

14.15-15.15 Panel 3: Class Struggle and Revolutionary Violence (Room 105)

Hinnerk Onken (Cologne) - 'Violence and the Working Class: Subaltern Political Culture in Arequipa, Peru, c. 1890-1930s'

Steve Cushion (UCU, London Ret. Members/Radical Americas) - 'Rum and Coca Cola - The Class Struggle in The Cuban Drinks Industry between the Second World War and the Revolution'

Chair: Thom Rath (UCL)

15.15-15.45 Coffee (Room 103)

15.45-17.15 Panel 4: Religion and Radicalism (Room 105)

Pablo Baisotti (Bologna) - 'Pre or post-conciliar? Political and religious division in Latin America after the Second Vatican' Council'

Jonathan Sudholt (Brandeis/CUP) - 'Religion as Plan B: *The Book of Mormon's* Critique of the Public Sphere'

Coco D'Hont (UEA) - "'I Am the Faggot Anti-Pope": Exploring the Radicalism of American Shock Rock'

Chair: William Booth (UCL/Radical Americas)

17.30-19.00 Book Presentation: "Radicals in America" (Room 105)

Christopher Phelps (Nottingham) and discussants Alex Goodall (UCL), Sinead McEneaney (St. Mary's) & chair/discussant Nick Witham (UCL-IA/Radical Americas)

19.00-20.00 Drinks Reception (Room 105/Americas Room)

Tuesday 15th September

9.30-11.00 Panel 5A: Anarchism and the Americas (Room 105)

Axel Çorlu (Georgia Gwinnett) - 'Propaganda by the Deed Anarchism as a Transnational Movement: State Responses in the United States, Italy, and the Ottoman Empire from the Late 19th to the Early 20th Centuries'

Jennifer Wilson (Pennsylvania) - 'Russian Literature in the Era of Vietnam: Tolstoy College and 1960s Radicalism'

Jean Francois Bissonnette (Paris Oveste Nanterre) - Red Squares Everywhere: Debt Resistance in North America

Chair : Juan Grigera (UCL/Radical Americas)

9.30-11.00 Panel 5B: Radical Protest in the Nuclear Age (Room 103)

Dario Fazzi (RSC, Middelburg) - 'The Cold War Anti-Nuclear Protests and the Tragedy of American Radicalism'

Tim Street (Warwick) - 'People against the Bomb: the US Nuclear Disarmament Movement since 1945'

Chair: Steve Cushion (UCU, London Ret. Members/Radical Americas)

11.00-11.30 Coffee (Americas Room)

11.30-13.00 Panel 6: Radicalism and Indigenous Resistance (Room 105)

Louise De Mello (Cambridge) - 'From Valuable Workforce to Invaluable Landholders: Indigenous Roles during the Rubber Boom in South-Western Amazonia (1860-1910s)'

Macarena Gómez-Barris (Southern California) - 'Decolonial Gesture: Indigenous Feminist Anarchist Critique'

Marcos Medina (Oxford/CIESAS) - '*La Iglesia Autóctona*: Religion as Resistance among the Tseltal Maya and Mestizo Catholics of Chilón, Chiapas'

Chair: Geoff Goodwin (LSE/Radical Americas)

13.00-14.00 Lunch Break

14.00-15.00 Panel 7: Racialization, History and Empire (Room 103)

Rafael Torrubia (St. Andrews) - 'Sometimes You Can Hear the Wire' – Memory and Commemoration in David Bradley's *The Chaneysville Incident*

Denijal Jelic (Mainz) - 'Perpetuating Empire: The Racialization of America in Contemporary Media Discourses'

Chair: Nick Grant (UEA/Radical Americas)

15.00-15.30 Coffee (Americas Room)

15.30-16.30 Panel 8: Radicalism and Theory: Race and Technocracy, c.1900 (Room 103)

Luciano Sbaraglia (Chemnitz) - 'Thorstein Veblen and the Technocrats'

Lorenzo Costaguta (Nottingham) - "'Geographies of Men": Scientific Racialism and Darwinism in Late-Nineteenth Century German-American Socialism'

Chair: Nick Witham (UCL/Radical Americas)

16.45-18.30 Roundtable: #blacklivesmatter (Room 105)

with Althea Legal-Miller (UCL), Ashok Kumar (Oxford) and Graham Denyer Willis (Cambridge), chaired by Nick Grant (UEA/Radical Americas)

19.00 Optional Dinner