

Narrative Interventions Call for Papers

The Fourth Annual Carleton University Art History Graduate Students' Society Conference March 4-5, 2016

The Carleton University Art History Graduate Students' Society (AHGSS) presents Narrative Interventions, its fourth annual conference to be held on March 4th and 5th, 2016. We invite graduate students in all disciplines to propose papers that extend the theme of narrative beyond the verbal and to consider the construction, contestation and reinscription of narratives in all cultural forms according to personal, political or theoretical motivations.

Narrative is a flexible and encompassing noun imbued with a sense of authority, while "to narrate" is an active verb that captures the agency involved in storytelling and the power of narration as a site of repetition or alternative intervention. Our conference aims to explore the multilayered and sometimes intangible nature of narratives through presentations pertaining to broad areas of cultural studies including, but not limited to, visual culture, performance, music and history.

Possible topics of discussion include but are not limited to:

How do artists engender narratives through cultural expression?

How do art historians in turn reconstruct artistic narratives?

How do art historical narratives transform over time?

How have artists and scholars reinforced and/or counteracted hegemonic and exclutsionary narratives?

How do artists and scholars interact with narratives as palimpsest? How do artists and scholars enact social change through the art and

theory they produce under conditions of oppression and trauma? How do artists position personal narratives into larger narratives of

colonialism, nationalism or other "isms"? Archival interventions and the (re)presentation of history

Authorship and constructions of identity

Museum and institutional narratives

Community narratives

Oral history and alternative narratives

Submission Guidelines:

Please submit a 250 word abstract and a 100 word biography by January 4th, 2016 to:

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Successful applicants will be notified by



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