Cultures of Security

Engelska Parken, SH 7-0042, Uppsala University
August 20-22, 2015.

Conference Program

Thursday 20 August

8.30—09.00 Registration and Coffee
09.00—09.20 Welcome
09.20—10.40 Brad Evans (University of Bristol): Intolerable Violence.
10.40—11.00 Coffee & Tea
11.00—12.20 Clare Birchall (King’s College London): Secrecy Beyond Securitization.
12.20—13.20 Lunch
14.40—15.00 Coffee & Tea
15.00—17.00 Dale Bauer (University of Illinois): Teaching the Poor.
     Natalie Paoli (University of the Witwatersrand): The Curse of Nonexistence: Between Feminism and Nationalism in Oksana Zabuzhko’s Fieldwork in Ukrainian Sex.

17.30 Reception at the Linnaeus Garden Orangery
Address: Svartbäcksgatan 27, 77598 Uppsala.
Friday 21 August

09.00—09.20  Coffee & Tea
10.40—11.00  Coffee & Tea
11.00—12.20  Robert Marzec (Purdue University): “Natural Security”: Ecological Destiny in the Anthropocene.
              Ryan Palmer (Uppsala University): Environment and Security.
12.20—13.20  Lunch
14.40—15.00  Coffee & Tea
15.00—17.00  Merle Williams (University of the Witwatersrand): A Tale of Two Oskars: Security or Hospitality in Jonathan Safran Foer’s Extremely Loud and Incredibly Close.
              Wendy MacMahon (University of East Anglia): Torture Down the Rabbit Hole: The Insecurity of Language, Law, and Logic in Percival Everett’s Water Cure

18.00  Dinner for Speakers

Address: Borgen, Orphei Drängars Plats 1, 753 11 Uppsala.

Saturday 22 August

09.00—09.20  Coffee & Tea
09.20—10.40  Mark Seltzer (UCLA): The Scientological Turn
10.40—11.00  Coffee & Tea
              Michael Boyden (Uppsala University): Poe and the GEO.
12.20—13.20  Lunch
14.40—15.00  Coffee & Tea
15.00—17.00  Dino Galetti (University of Johannesburg): Responsibility without a
face—examining the status of asymmetrical warfare and phenomenology. Kristen Rau (Uppsala University): “Sex and death and war”: Securitization and Militarization in Billy Lynn’s Long Halftime Walk. Karl van Wyk (University of the Witwatersrand): Matters of Security in Philip Roth’s The Plot Against America.

18.30 Banquet
Address: Hotel Linné, Skolgatan 45, 750 02 Uppsala.

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