



**THEORIES AND PRAXES OF DIFFERENCE:
Revisiting Edward Said in the Age
of New Globalizations**

**April 6-7, 2005 • Campus Center • Ballroom A
University of Massachusetts Boston**

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 6, 2005

8:30-9:30 REGISTRATION AND BREAKFAST

9:30-10:00 OPENING STATEMENTS

- **J. Keith Motley**, Chancellor of the University of Massachusetts Boston
- **Winston Langley**, Associate Provost for Academic Affairs, and Professor of Political Science and International Relations, UMass Boston

10:00-10:45 KEYNOTE SPEAKER

- **Charles Lemert**, Andrus Professor of Sociology at Wesleyan University, and Professor of Sociology at the Boston Graduate School of Psychoanalysis
"Exiles and Globalization: Said's Difference"

10:45-12:30 PANEL 1: POLITICS OF ORIENTALISM

Moderator and Discussant: **Glenn Jacobs**, Associate Professor of Sociology, UMass Boston

- **Khaldoun Samman**, Assistant Professor of Sociology, Macalester College, Minnesota
"Modernizing, Occidentalizing, and Orientalizing the Self in the Middle East"
- **Ehud Adiv**, Ph.D., Department of Sociology and Political Science, Open University, Haifa, Israel
"Leftist Perspectives on the Challenge of Globalization: Marxism, Post Colonialism, or Republican Nationalism"
- **Leila Farsakh**, Assistant Professor of Political Science, UMass Boston
"What Future for Palestine: Independence, Binationalism or Bantustans"
- **Hormoz Shahdadi**, Ph.D., Adjunct Faculty, Political Science Department, UMass Boston
"Orientalism as Praxis"

12:30-1:30 LUNCH

1:30-3:15 PANEL 2: PSYCHOANALYSIS OF DIFFERENCE

- **Manoel Tosta Berlinck**, Sociologist & Psychoanalyst; Professor at the State Univ. of Campinas and Catholic University of São Paulo, Brazil
"Social Historical Paths to Psychopathology"
- **Michal Ginach**, Psya.D., The Institute for the Study of Violence, Boston Graduate School of Psychoanalysis
"Blaming the Victims Revisited or Who Is the Bigger Victim: Israeli Fantasies in the Context of the Conflict with the Palestinians"
- **Frank Scherer**, Doctoral Candidate, Social/Political Thought Program, York University, Toronto
"Oriental(ist) Scenes: Orientalism of Psychoanalysis/Psychoanalysis of Orientalism"
- **Siamak Movahedi**, Professor and Chair, Department of Sociology, UMass Boston
"The Fear of Influence and the Narcissism of Minor Differences"

3:15-4:00 Distinguished Lecturer

- **Bruce Mazlish**, Professor Emeritus of History, M.I.T.; Director, The New Global History Initiative; Fellow of the American Academy of Arts and Sciences
“Edward Said: The Colonial Spirit in a Globalizing World”

4:00-6:00 Panel 3: Clash of Orientalisms

- **Esther Kingston-Mann**, Professor of History/American Studies, UMass Boston
“Constructing Russia: An ‘Oriental’ or an ‘Occidental’ Empire?”
- **Agnes Czajka**, Doctoral Candidate, Department of Sociology, York University, Toronto
“The African Orient: Edward Said’s Orientalism, and Western Constructions of Africa”
- **Caroline Brown**, Assistant Professor of English, UMass Boston
Sally Bould, Professor of Sociology, University of Delaware
“Jamaica Kincaid and the Post-colonial Project”
- **Milton Butts, Jr.**, Assistant Professor of Sociology, UMass Boston
“Invisibility and Dissent: The Quest for Social Justice”
- **Jorge Capetillo-Ponce**, Assistant Professor of Sociology, UMass Boston
“Reactions inspired in Edward Said’s work to the Theoretical Bases of Samuel Huntington’s ‘The Hispanic Challenge’”

THURSDAY, APRIL 7, 2005

8:00-9:00 Registration and Breakfast

9:00-9:45 Distinguished Lecturer

- **Hamid Dabashi**, Professor of Persian and Comparative Literature, Department of Middle East and Asian Languages and Cultures, Columbia University
“Edward Said and the Crisis of Representation”

9:45-12:00 Panel 4: Intellectuals and Politics of Difference

- **Neil McLaughlin**, Associate Professor of Sociology at McMaster University and the Canadian Social Science and Humanities Research Council “Globalization and Autonomy” Project
“Said as a Global Public Intellectual: Intellectual Heroes and Academic Professions”
- **Panagiota Gounari**, Assistant Professor, Applied Linguistics Graduate Program, UMass Boston
“Rethinking Politics of Difference: The Role of Public Intellectuals”
- **Shahla Haeri**, Director of Women’s Studies Program, and Associate Professor of Anthropology, Boston University
“Fascination with Difference: Bridging the Gap, Conducting Fieldwork Among Equals”
- **Jemadari Kamara**, Associate Professor of Africana Studies, UMass Boston
Tony Van Der Meer, Adjunct Professor of Africana Studies, UMass Boston
“Constructing Decolonizing Methodologies: Racialization, Globalization, Reconciliation and Reparations”
- **Chris Gauthier**, Department of Sociology, University of Michigan
Jennifer McFarlane-Harris, Department of English and Women’s Studies Program, University of Michigan
“Verdi’s Disciplined Subjects: Radamès, Amneris, and the Power of the Panopticon”
- **Mohammad H. (Behrooz) Tamdgidi**, Assistant Professor of Sociology, UMass Boston
“Orientalist and Liberating Discourses of East-West Difference: Revisiting Omar Khayyam’s Rubaiyat”

12:00-1:00 LUNCH

1:00-3:00 PANEL 5: POLITICAL ECONOMY OF ORIENTALISM

- **Pamela Irving Jackson**, Director of the Justice Studies Program, and Professor of Sociology, Rhode Island College
Peter Zervakis, Dr. phil., Project Manager, Bertelsmann Foundation, Guetersloh, Germany
Roderick Parkes, Researcher, Center for European Integration Studies (ZEI), Bonn, Germany
“Religion, the Strength of the Nation State and Assimilation: A Contextual Analysis of the Integration of Muslims in Four Western Societies”
- **Fouad Bourgetta**, Professor, University of Annaba, Algeria
Sally Bould, Professor of Sociology, University of Delaware, Newark, Delaware
“Oil Revenues and Problematic Development: The Case of Algeria”
- **Samuel Zalanga**, Associate Professor of Sociology, Bethel University
“Hegel’s Philosophy of Freedom, God, and the State as World-Historical Discourse on Power and Domination: The West versus the Rest of the World in Edward Said’s Critical Hermeneutic”
- **Mehmet Kucukozer**, Doctoral Candidate in Sociology, CUNY-Graduate Center
“Reevaluating State Formation and Transformation in Light of the Current Debate on ‘Failed States’”
- **Anil K. Jain**, Ph.D., Social Scientist and Publisher, Munich, Germany
“Differences in Difference”

3:15-4:45 PANEL 6: ORIENTALISM AND MASS CULTURE

Moderator and Discussant: **Rajini Srikanth**, Honors Program Director and Associate Professor of English, UMass Boston

- **Orkideh Behrouzan**, M.D., University of Oxford-Clinical Medicine Department, England
“The Homeless Mind: The Fate of Persian Identity in Exile”
- **Solen Sanli**, Doctoral Candidate in Sociology, New School University
“Veiling as Identity Politics: The Case of Turkey”
- **Atossa Movahedi**, American University, Washington D.C.
“Hyperreal Enemy and the War as a Spectator Sport”
- **Bart Bonikowski**, Graduate Student, Department of Sociology, Duke University
“Flying While Arab (Or Was It Muslim? Or Middle Eastern?): A Theoretical Analysis of Racial Profiling After September 11th”

4:45-6:00 PANEL 7: IDENTITY AND DIFFERENCE

Moderator and Discussant: **Mizuho Arai**, Ph.D., Lecturer, Department of Sociology, UMass Boston

- **Deborah D’Isabel**, Student, Department of Sociology, UMass Boston
“The ‘Difference’ A Red Face Makes: A Critical Sociology of Bullying in Capitalist Society”
- **Peter Van Do**, Graduate Student, American Studies M.A. Graduate Program, UMass Boston
“Gurlz N Guns: Popular and Firearm Culture in Contemporary America”
- **Rachel DeFillipis**, Student, Department of Sociology, UMass Boston
“Intersections of My Lesbian, Feminist, and Activist Identities: Problems and Strategies in Everyday Impression Management”
- **Tara Atluri**, Doctoral Student, Department of Sociology, York University, Toronto
“Lighten Up?!: Humour, Race and Racism”

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