



"What's Up With Mediterranean Studies?"

Legacies of the Mediterranean Symposium

May 4, 10:30 - 3:00

CHASS INTS 1113

Invited Lecture:

Professor Sharon Kinoshita (UCSC)

Sharon Kinoshita is a Professor of Literature at UC Santa Cruz, Co-director of the UCSC Center for Mediterranean Studies, Co-director of the UC Multicampus Research Project in Mediterranean Studies and Co-organizer of the UC Humanities Research Institute in Irvine and the NEH summer institute in Barcelona, Spain. She is the author of the book *Medieval Boundaries: Rethinking Difference in Old French Literature* (University of Pennsylvania Press, 2006) and numerous articles published in PMLA, the Journal of Medieval and Early Modern Studies, and Postcolonial Studies, among others.

Professor Kinoshita will be joined with additional talks by:

Ray Kea, Professor

Department of History, UCR

Jeff Sacks, Assistant Professor

Comparative Literatures and Foreign Languages, UCR

Antonio Donato, Associate Professor

Department of Philosophy, CUNY

The Mediterranean is a site and subject of translation, cross-juncture, interaction, and invention. It is a locus of late antiquity, a field for the transport of texts and ideas within and between medieval and early modern Europe, Southwest Asia, and Africa, a site of colonial conquest and cultural imposition in modern colonialism, and a fraught sphere for survival and articulation in the present. Mediterranean studies has emerged as an important field of inquiry in diverse disciplines-literature, philosophy, anthropology, history, theater-because it offers a counterpoint to the fraught Area Studies and civilizational paradigms, and because it engages a diverse set of events and legacies across national, linguistic, and disciplinary borders. Our speakers will present talks addressing recent developments within Mediterranean studies. For more information, please contact Prof. Erith Jaffe-Berg, Department of Theatre, erithj@ucr.edu

10:30 - 10:45 Coffee

10:45- 11:00 Welcome and Introduction

11- 12:30 Sharon Kinoshita

12:30 - 1:30 Lunch

1:30 - 2:30 Additional Talks

2:30 - 3:00 Coffee and Closing Comments.

This event is sponsored by the UCR Mellon Workshop on Medieval Cultures and Postmodern Legacies, the Mediterranean Multicampus Research Project, the Center for Ideas and Society and the Legacies of the Mediterranean resident fellowship group, you are invited to attend a one-day symposium on "Legacies of the Mediterranean."