Conference on Peace

Heftter Center
University of Wisconsin–Milwaukee
April 25-26 2013

Peace is among humanity’s highest values. And yet, for all of the writings and approaches to it, there is little agreement on what peace is. In an effort to understand peace as a complex and dynamic phenomenon, the Center for International Education’s annual conference will explore various aspects of peace, and will feature scholars from a range of disciplines to engage in dialogue about prospects for peace in a challenging global context.

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Conference Program

Thursday, April 25

9:00-9:30 am
Introduction and Welcome: Patrice Petro, Vice Provost for International Education
Johannes Britz, Provost and Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs

9:30-10:45 am
Panel: Dimensions of Peace
Moderator: Rob Ricigliano

- Peter Coleman
  "Minding the Peace: Identifying Mind-Types for Promoting Peace in the Middle East"
- Andrea Bartoli
  "Reflections on Spiritual and Practical Dimensions of Peace"

10:45 – 11:00 AM
Break

11:00 – 12:15 PM
Panel: Homeland / America
Moderator: Kennan Ferguson

- Fred Turner
  "Media, Peace, and the Problem of Attention in Cold War America"
- Lisa Parks
  "Targeted Homelands: Networked Visions of the US Drone War in Pakistan"

12:15 – 1:15 PM
Lunch

1:30 – 2:45 PM
Panel: Arts of Peace
Moderator: Elena Gorfinkel

- Cynthia Cohen
  "The Moral Imagination and the Permeable Membrane Between Art and Society: A Framework for Understanding and Assessing Arts-Informed Peacebuilding"
- Dora Apel
  "No Peace for the Weary"
2:45 – 3:00 PM
Break

3:00 – 4:15 PM
Panel: Global Midwest
Moderator: Lisa Moline
  - Dan Wang
    "Peace in the Global Midwest, or Riding Out the Trans-Love Energy Crisis"
  - Lane Hall
    "Overpass Light Brigade: The People’s Bandwidth"

7:30 - 8:30 PM
Screening of Acting Together on the World Stage.
Mitchell Hall 195.

Friday, April 26

9:00 – 10:15 AM
Panel: Social Europe
Moderator: Manu Sobti
  - Jeffrey Sommers
    "Wages of Austerity: the Latvian 'Miracle' and the Unraveling Social Europe"
  - Winson Chu
    "War and Peace: What is Europe for Germany and Poland?"

10:15-10:30 am
Break

10:30 – 11:45 AM
Panel: Conflict / Transformation
Moderator: Peter Paik
  - Diana Chigas
    "Peacebuilding Practices"
  - Oriol Mirosa
    "Commodification and Violence: Conflicts over Water Access in Bolivia and South Africa"

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Lunch

1:00 – 2:15 PM
Panel: Peace Narratives
Moderator: Jenny Watson
  - Sara Cobb
    "Peace as Dynamical System: A Narrative Lens"
  - Sarah Davies Cordova
    "Digging the Cape’s Slavish Past: a Double Take on Cargo?"

2:15 – 2:30 PM
Break

2:30 – 3:45 PM
Panel: Media Cultures
Moderator: Gilberto Blasini
• Tony Grajeda
  "Post-War Postponed: War without End, the Culture of Trauma, and the (Im)Possibility of Peace"
• James Castonguay
  "Negotiating Peace in US Media Culture after 9/11"

3:45 – 4:00 PM
Break

4:00 – 5:15 PM
Panel: Low-Intensity, High-Tech
Moderator: Patrice Petro

• Jon Beasley-Murray
  "Low-Intensity Peace"
• Sandra Braman
  "Information Policy and Peace"

5:15 – 5:30 PM
Closing Remarks: Patrice Petro
Participants

Conference Organizer

Patrice Petro
Vice Provost for International Education
Professor of English, Film, and Global Studies, University of Wisconsin–Milwaukee

Moderators

Gilberto Blasini
Associate Professor of English

Kennan Ferguson
Associate Professor of Political Science

Elena Gorfinkel
Assistant Professor of Art History

Lisa Moline
Associate Professor of Art & Design, Peck School of the Arts

Speakers

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Associate Dean of Humanities, College of Letters and Science

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