

Red Biography

The Significance of Communist Life-Histories in Global Perspective

Conference Venue:

College Arts & Humanities Institute (CAHI)
1211 East Atwater Avenue

Program

February 2, 2017

9.15 Welcome

Alex Lichtenstein (Bloomington)

Mirjam Zadoff (Bloomington)

9.30 – 12.00 European Perspectives

Chair: Padraic Kenney

Berthold Molden (Vienna): Of Rabbis and Revolutionaries. The Cosmo-Communism of the Katz Family

10.30 – 11.00 Coffee break

Peter Hudis (Des Plaines): The Multi-Dimensionality of Rosa Luxembourg: Perspectives, Challenges, and Ramifications of Issuing her Complete Works

Response: Tony Michels (Madison)

1.00 – 3.00 Asian Perspectives

Chair: Mirjam Zadoff

Orit Bashkin (Chicago): Self Portraits of the Communists as Young Men. Narrating Iraqi Jewish Communism

Anupama Rao (New York): Eastern Marxism, Colonial Capitalism, and the "Urban Question" in Interwar Bombay

Response: James Barrett (Urbana)

Coffee

5.30 Keynote Lecture, IMU Oak Room

Joshua Rubenstein: Leon Trotsky and Ilya Ehrenburg. The Heroic and the Tragic

February 3, 2017

9.00 – 12.00 Central/South-American Perspectives

Chair: Alex Lichtenstein

Sandra Pujals (San Juan): Becoming Jaime Nevaes. The Secret World of Communist Internationalism, Identity, and Personal Reinvention in the Transnational Context, 1925-1979

John French (Durham): 'Rebels' and 'Good Boys' in the 1960s: The Story of Two Brothers

11.00 – 11.30 Coffee break

Valeria Navarro-Rosenblatt (Santiago): Red Ties Amidst Social Revolution: Jewish Communist Families in 20th Century Chile

Response: Danny James (Bloomington)