

# UNFREE SPACES IN THE MODERN WORLD: RESISTANT RESPONSES, EMPOWERING ACTS

An International and Interdisciplinary Workshop

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Flossenbürg Concentration Camp Memorial

21 January 2023

University of Regensburg

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**THURSDAY, 19 JAN. 2023—IOS, ALTES FINANZAMT REGENSBURG (ROOM 319)**

## 10:00-11:00am: Opening

### Welcome

UDO HEBEL (President, U of Regensburg)

ULF BRUNNBAUER (Speaker, Leibniz ScienceCampus; Academic Director, Leibniz Institute for East and Southeast European Studies)

### Opening Remarks & Introduction

BIRGIT HEBEL-BAURIDL (Regensburg European American Forum, U of Regensburg)

SABINE KOLLER (Slavic Jewish Studies, U of Regensburg)

## 11:00am-12:30pm: Keynote Lecture

LEONA TOKER (Hebrew University of Jerusalem): "The Theme of Poetry Recital in Concentration-Camp Literature"

Chair: SABINE KOLLER (U of Regensburg)

*refreshment & snack break*

## 1:30-2:30pm: Panel A

CARINA EHRSBERGER (U of Regensburg): "Coping with Unfreedom in WWI Camps: Cultural Resilience through Magazines"

JIANN-CHYNG TU (U of Regensburg / HU Berlin): "Friendship as Praxis: Shirley Graham Du Bois and Eslanda Goode Robeson's Transnational Feminist Solidarities and Alliances"

Chair: MIRJA LECKE (U of Regensburg)

*coffee break*

### **3:00-4:00pm: Panel B**

MARIKE JANZEN (U of Kansas): "The German Literary Sphere as a space of Un/Freedom"

JULIA FAISST (U of Regensburg): "Un/Freeing the Desert: Poetic Resistance Towards Immigration Justice"

Chair: ALEXANDER GRASER (U of Regensburg)

*coffee break*

### **4:30-5:15pm: Panel C**

MIKHAIL KRUTIKOV (U of Michigan): "Avrom Sutzkever between Vilna and Moscow"

Chair: PAUL VICKERS (U of Regensburg)

*reception*

### **6:00pm: Author Reading**

RANDAL MAURICE JELKS (U of Kansas): *Letters to Martin: Meditations on Democracy in Black America* (2022)

Chairs: RYE BITTL, NAOMI CLIETT (U of Regensburg)

## **FRIDAY, 20 JAN. 2023—FLOSSENBÜRG CONCENTRATION CAMP MEMORIAL & MUSEUM**

### **app. 8:00am: departure for Flossenbürg**

registered participants will receive details about bus stops and departure times by 11 January 2023

### **10:00am: Guided Tour**

*refreshment break*

### **12:30pm Discussion**

JULIUS SCHARNETZKY (Researcher Director's Office and PR, Flossenbürg Concentration Camp Memorial and Museum)

*lunch (catered by Museumscafé Flossenbürg; <https://museumscafe-flossenbuerg.de/>)*

### **3:00-5:00pm: Panel D**

BENJAMIN PALOFF (U of Michigan): "Inhuman Values: Labor, Spirit, and Raw Material in Camp Literature"

TAMARA HEGER (U of Regensburg): "Letters from Liberation: Major Samuel S. Gray, Jr.'s *Dearest Martha*"

*short coffee break*

VJERAN PAVLAKOVIĆ (U of Rijeka): "Memorial Spaces and Unfreedoms: Monuments, Museums and the Recreation of Mass Incarceration"

Chairs: CAROLINE EMIG, LENA GOTTESWINTER (U of Regensburg)

### **app. 5:30pm: departure for Regensburg**

*self-pay dinner in Regensburg; location tba*

**SATURDAY—VIELBERTH BUILDING, U OF REGENSBURG MAIN CAMPUS (ROOM H 26)**

**9.30am-10.30am: Panel E**

FRANK MEHRING (Radboud U Nijmegen): “The ‘Congo Room’: Designing Dining in New York between Vogue Mexico and the Harlem Renaissance”

NISHANI FRAZIER (U of Kansas): “Dishes to Die For: Black Self-Determination in Slave Cooking”

Chair: ANNE BRÜSKE (U of Regensburg)

*coffee break*

**11:00am-12:00: Panel F**

ANNA IVANOVA (Graduate School for East and Southeast European Studies, Regensburg; formerly U of Kharkiv): “Doing Critical Social Science Research under the Conditions of War: Levels of Unfreedom”

ELIZAVETA DOMNIKOVA (European University at Saint Petersburg/U of Regensburg): “A Young Scholar’s Reflections on What It Is Like to be Part of a State University in an Authoritarian State”

Chair: URSULA REGENER (U of Regensburg)

*coffee break*

**12:30-1:30pm: Reading & Discussion**

HEINRICH KIRSCHBAUM (U of Freiburg): Reading, Discussion: *Revolution der Geduld: Eine belarussische Bricolage*

Text Translation: CHRIS DAGLEISH (U of Regensburg)

Chair: TATIANA KLEPIKOVA (U of Regensburg)

**1:30-2:00pm: Coffee & Concluding Discussion**

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**Workshop Registration:** via email to [un.free@ur.de](mailto:un.free@ur.de) (by 20 Dec. 2022 for Friday / Flossenbürg; by 09 Jan. 2023 for Thursday IOS / Saturday UR; for registration details, pls. visit our website).

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