



# AUSTRIA'S YOUNG AMERICANISTS

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#### 1. New YAY Board Member

The AYA Board would like to welcome its new member, Armin Lippitz, PhD student and external lecturer at the Department of English and American Studies, Alpen-Adria University Klagenfurt.

Welcome to the team, Armin! We look forward to successful and fruitful collaboration!

#### 2. AYA Post-Grad Poster Session at the 2015 AAAS Conference

AYA invites PhD candidates to participate in the **poster presentation session at the 42nd annual AAAS conference (6-8 Nov. 2015) in Graz**. This event will encourage discussions between professors, young scholars and everyone else interested in American Studies and thereby aid in establishing new contacts.

You can design and bring a poster that details your research or a particular aspect thereof. Your posters will be the starting point of a discussion with other scholars of American Studies and introduce them to your dissertation project, so make sure you include all the necessary information to get a fruitful conversation started. You can find guidelines for designing your poster **at the end of this newsletter**.

We encourage PhD candidates with a focus on American Studies to seize this opportunity to get to know fellow postgraduates and their academic interests as well as to discuss their own research with internationally acclaimed scholars in the field.

If you would like to participate, please consult our **website** (<http://www.ayaonline.net/wordpress/>) for further information and **send the title of your presentation and a short abstract to [contact@ayaonline.net](mailto:contact@ayaonline.net) by September 4th.**

### **3. AYA Post-Grad Workshop, postponed to Spring 2016**

AYA will host a grad student workshop in Innsbruck in the spring of 2016. Stay tuned for the call for papers!

### **4. New Releases**

Berry, Evan. *Devoted to Nature: The Religious Roots of American Environmentalism*. Oakland: U of California P, 2015.

Dunbar-Ortiz, Roxanne. *An Indigenous Peoples' History of the United States*. Boston: Beacon Press, 2015.

Ishizuka, Karen. *Serve the People: Making Asian American in the Sixties*. London and New York: Verso, 2015.

Kyungwon Hong, Grace. *Death Beyond Disavowal. The Impossible Politics of Difference*. Minneapolis: U of Minnesota P, 2015.

Mitchell, David T., and Sharon L. Snyder. *The Biopolitics of Disability. Neoliberalism, Ablenationalism, and Peripheral Embodiment*. Ann Arbor: U of Michigan P, 2015.

Thakkar, Amit, and Chris Harris, eds. *Men, Power and Liberation. Readings of Masculinities in Spanish American Literatures*. New York: Routledge, 2015.

Willse, Craig. *The Value of Homelessness: Managing Surplus Life in the United States*. Minneapolis: U of Minnesota P, 2015.

### **5. Opportunities**

#### **Job Postings**

2 Universitätsassistent/innen mit Doktorat, Institut für Amerikanistik, Karl-Franzens-Universität Graz; 20 Stunden/Woche; Einstellung ab 1. Oktober 2015

<http://jobs.uni-graz.at/de/MB/127/99/2457>

Deadline: 05 August 2015

Wissenschaftliche/r Mitarbeiter/in, Institut für Geschichte, Fachgebiet Neuere und Neueste Geschichte; Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin

<http://hsozkult.geschichte.hu-berlin.de/chancen/type=stellen&id=11826>

Deadline: 07 August 2015

Wissenschaftliche/r Mitarbeiter/in im Bereich Anglistik, Amerikanistik und Anglophone Kulturen, Universität des Saarlandes, Einstellung ab 1. Oktober 2015

[http://www.uni-saarland.de/fileadmin/user\\_upload/Campus/Service/Stellenausschreibung/Wissenschaftliches\\_Personal/W969.pdf](http://www.uni-saarland.de/fileadmin/user_upload/Campus/Service/Stellenausschreibung/Wissenschaftliches_Personal/W969.pdf)

Deadline: 07 August 2015

Assistant Professor, Tenure Track Faculty, Early North America 1500-1800, University of New Brunswick, Canada

<http://www.unb.ca/hr/resources/php/print-academic-posting.php?theid=aZ2g>

Deadline: 30 September 2015

Assistant Professor, Tenure Track Faculty, Critical Ethnic Studies, Kalamazoo College, Michigan, USA

<https://www.kzoo.edu/ethnicstudies/search/>

Deadline: 1 October 2015

### **Summer Schools**

GAPS Summer School, "Border Stories: Narratives of Peace, Conflict, and Communication in the 20<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>st</sup> Centuries," University of Augsburg, Germany, 7-11 September 2015

<https://borderstories2015.wordpress.com/applications/>

Deadline: 30 July 2015

## **6. Calls for Papers / Calls for Submissions**

CfP: Postgraduate Forum of the German Association for American Studies (PGF der DGFA), Annual Postgraduate Conference, University of Bamberg, Germany; 6-8 November 2015

<https://pgf2015bamberg.wordpress.com/call-for-papers/>

Deadline: 31 July 2015

CfP: International Conference on Ecopolitics, "Dwellings of Enchantment: Writing and Reenchanting the Earth," University of Perpignan, France; 22-25 June 2016.

<http://ecopoeticsperpignan.com/>

Deadline: 01 September 2015

CfP: "Popular Culture – Serial Culture: 19<sup>th</sup>-Century Serial Fictions in Transnational Perspective, 1830s-1860s," University of Siegen, Germany; 28-30 April 2016

<http://www.uni-siegen.de/phil/aktuelles/vortraege/633578.html>

Deadline: 01 September 2015

CfP: "Border Crossings and Revolutions," Irish Association for American Studies/British Association of American Studies Conference, Queen's University, Belfast, Ireland, 7-9 April 2016.

<http://www.kanada-studien.org/3244/cfp-border-crossings-and-revolutions/>

Deadline: 15 September 2015

CfP: The 16<sup>th</sup> Maple Leaf and Eagle Conference for North American Studies, "Whose North America? Identities, Agency, and Belonging," University of Helsinki, Finland; May 18-20 2016.

<http://blogs.helsinki.fi/mapleleafeagle/callforpapers/>

Deadline: 30 September 2015

CfP: "ExRe(y). Spaces of Expression and Repression in Post-Millennial North-American Literature and Visual Culture," Maria Curie-Sklodowska University, Lublin, Poland; April 7-8 2016.

<http://exrey.umcs.lublin.pl/>

Deadline: 15 October 2015

CfP: Ruhr PhD Forum in American Studies, Ruhr University Bochum and TU Dortmund

<http://www.ayaonline.net/wordpress/cfp/call-for-papers-of-the-ruhr-phd-forum-2016/>

Deadline: 06 November 2015

CfP: Tenth Biennial MESEA Conference, "Cultural Palimpsests: Ethnic Watermarks, Surfacing Histories," University of Warsaw, Poland, June 22-24 2016.

<http://mesea.org/warsaw-2016>

Deadline: 15 November 2015

CfP: American Indian Workshop on "Humor," University of Southern Denmark, Odense, May 25-28 2016.

[http://www.american-indian-workshop.org/AIW37/2016\\_AIW\\_CFP.pdf](http://www.american-indian-workshop.org/AIW37/2016_AIW_CFP.pdf)

Deadline: 16 November 2015

### Calls for Submissions

CfP: Articles for the New Open-Access Journal *Indigenous Knowledge: Other Ways of Knowing*

<http://journals.psu.edu/ik/about/submissions#authorGuidelines>

Deadline: 01 August 2015 (Fall issue)

CfP: *Twice the Glory, Twice the Fear: Critical Approaches to Sheila Watson's The Double Hook*, University of Montana, USA.

<http://www.iccs-ciec.ca/documents/107.pdf>

Deadline: 01 October 2015

CfP: "Bodies in the Americas," Special Issue of the *Journal of the International Association of Inter-American Studies (IAS)*

<http://interamericaonline.org/submitting-to-fiar/call-for-papers/>

Deadline: 15 December 2015

CfP: Articles for a Special Issue of *Caliban* entitled "Planète en partage/Sharing the Planet," to appear in June 2016

<https://call-for-papers.sas.upenn.edu/node/62879>

Deadline: 16 December 2015

Call for submissions of articles and book reviews: *Transmotion*, a new fully peer-reviewed journal in Indigenous literary studies, published by the School of English, University of Kent.

<https://journals.kent.ac.uk/index.php/transmotion>

## **7. Conferences and Events**

17-19 August 2015: IASA International American Studies Association World Conference, Seoul, South Korea.

August 27-28 2015: "Transnational and Transracial Adoption in North American Culture," University of Turku, Finland.

7-9 September 2015: Postcolonial Studies Association Convention, University of Leicester, Leicester, UK.

23-25 September 2015: "Homeliness, Domesticity, and Security in American Culture," University of Social Sciences and Humanities, Warsaw, Poland.

24-26 September 2015: "Harbor Flows and Migrations of People, Cultures, and Ideas: The USA and the World," 23<sup>rd</sup> AINSA Biennial Conference, Università degli Studi Napoli L'Orientale, Naples, Italy.

2-3 October 2015: "Canada in the Americas," McGill University, Montreal, Canada.

8-11 October 2015: "The Re-Production of Misery and the Ways of Resistance," ASA Annual Meeting (American Studies Association), Toronto, Canada.

8-10 October 2015: "Empire & Neurosis," Postgraduate Forum, Association for Anglophone Postcolonial Studies, University of Duisburg-Essen (Campus Essen), Germany.

8-10 October 2015: "Recording Nature in the Early Atlantic World, 1750-1830," Ybor City, Tampa, Florida, USA.

23-25 October 2015: "The Machine and the Garden: Energy, Industry, and Technology in American Culture," Stavenger, Norway.

30-31 October 2015: "Mapping Nations, Locating Citizens," Humber College, Toronto, Canada.

6-8 November 2015: Annual Meeting of the Austrian Association for American Studies (AAAS), "Soundscapes and Sonic Cultures in America," Karl-Franzens-Universität Graz, Austria.

6-8 November 2015: Postgraduate Forum of the German Association for American Studies, PGF der DGFA, University of Bamberg, Germany.

24-26 March 2016: “Indigenous Sovereignties, Native Monarchies, Principalities, and Empires in the Atlantic Worlds (American and Africa, 15<sup>th</sup>-19<sup>th</sup> Centuries)”, Université de Nantes, France.

22-26 April 2016: EAAS European Association for American Studies Biennial Conference, Constanta, Romania.

7-10 June 2016: Association of Critical Heritage Studies, Concordia University, Montreal, Canada.

**Best wishes**

**Tobias Auböck, Alexandra Hauke, Silke Jandl, Yvonne Kaisinger, Armin Lippitz**

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<https://www.facebook.com/AustriasYoungAmericanists>

## Poster Presentation Guidelines for the AYA Graduate Session at the AAAS Conference, Graz

**Size:** A0

**Heading:** Title of your dissertation / your name / your home university

**Word count:** ~500 words

**Submission deadline:** Sept. 4th 2015

### Content suggestions:

Since your poster should be the starting point of a discussion with other scholars of American Studies, you can see the poster as a formal introduction to your dissertation project. You might want to include information on:

- what you write about (primary material)
- how you will be dealing with the material (methodology)
- what your dissertation may contribute to the field at large (significance)

Please feel free to include any other information you think is useful or interesting when discussing your project.

### Checklist:

1. Is the layout clear, logical and easy to read? Check font size.
2. Have you included any visuals? How self-explanatory are they?
3. Think about the typical content and style of an article/paper to give you ideas of possible content and sequence.
4. Check for typos.
5. You might also want to prepare a short oral outline of your study for those who ask for a brief introduction. Think about summing it up in around 30 seconds; the poster should provide the details.

When designing your poster for the AYA poster session, you can also refer to these links:

[http://www.posterpresentations.com/html/free\\_poster\\_templates.html](http://www.posterpresentations.com/html/free_poster_templates.html)

<http://colinpurrington.com/tips/poster-design>

We are looking forward to your poster submissions. If you have any more questions you can find us here:

<http://www.ayaonline.net/wordpress/team/>

<https://www.facebook.com/AustriasYoungAmericanists>

or write us an e-mail: [contact@ayaonline.net](mailto:contact@ayaonline.net)