

# CITIES OF MEMORY

## Performing and Media Arts in the Post-Conflict City

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### Colloquium Programme

*All lectures, seminars and screenings are free and open to the public*

*All events take place in QUB's **Drama & Film Centre (DCF)**, 20 University Square*

### Thursday 4th April

10am: *Welcome/Introductions*: DFC, 20 University Sq., Screen 2

Professor Tony Gallagher (Pro-Vice Chancellor, QUB)  
Professor Michael Alcorn (Head of School, Creative Arts, QUB)

10:30-11:30: **Lecture** (Screen 2)

*A Serious Image Problem: Photography and Post-Conflict Belfast*  
Dr. Colin Graham (NUI, Maynooth)

11:30-11:45: *Break*

11:45-13:15: **Parallel Panels**

1. *Framing Photographies* (Screen 2): Chair: Dr. Des O'Rawe

- Dr. Miriam Paeslack (SUNY): 'Berlin – History – Photography'
- Daniel Jewesbury and Robert Porter (UU): 'Images of the Post-Conflict City: Belfast through Situationist Spectacles'
- Emma Grey (Aberdeen): 'It will bury its past, it will paper over the cracks: John Duncan's *Trees From Germany*'

2. *Performance Politics* (Brian Friel Theatre): Chair: Dr. Aoife McGrath

- Merita Zekovic (QUB): 'A Home of Memories: Belfast/Sarajevo'
- Declan Keeney (QUB): 'Can Fictions Tell the Truth? Reflections on *We Are Not Afraid*'
- David Grant (QUB): 'Unknown Knowns: Kinaesthetic Empathy in the Making and Understanding of Image Theatre'

13:15-14:15 *Lunch*

14:15-15:15: **Lecture** (Screen 2)

*Li Beirut: Imagining the City Between Nostalgia and Horror*  
Dr. Sune Haugbølle (Roskilde Universitet)

15:15-15:30: *Break*

15:30-17:00: **Parallel Panels**

1. *Memorials and Archives* (Brian Friel Theatre): Chair: Dr. Mark Phelan
  - Professor Cahal McLaughlin (Queen's): "Prisons Memory Archives"
  - Helen Rawling (Queen Mary): "The Book of Life: Art and Memory in Post-Genocide Rwanda"
  - Katarzyna Puzon (Polish Academy of Sciences): "Memory and Arts in Postwar Urban Setting of Beirut."
  
2. *Conflicting Reactions* (Screen 2): Chair: Professor Jane Taylor
  - Dr. Zoran Poposki and Dr. Marijia Todorova (Hong Kong): "Resisting Ethnicity: Disintegration Through Civic Art in Skopje"
  - Erk Ehn (Brown University): "Performance and the Poetics of the Unspeakable"
  - Dr. Lejlia Panjeta (University of Sarajevo): 'Propaganda and Film: Fiction as Reality in War/Post-War Bosnia'

17:00-17:15: *Break*

17:15-18:15: **Lecture** (Brian Friel Theatre)

*Paradoxes and Parapraxes: On the Limits of Cinematic Representation in Post-Conflict Cities*

Professor Thomas Elsaesser (Columbia University/Amsterdam)

18:15 – 18:45: **Reception** (Foyer, DFC)

18:45-20:45: **Colloquium Dinner**

21:00—22:30: **Colloquium Cultural Event** (Brian Friel Theatre)

*Live Performance: The End of War Show* with Joby Fox

<http://www.belfastmusic.org/article/5522/joby-fox-s-end-of-the-war>

## **Friday 5th April**

10-11: **Lecture** (Brian Friel Theatre)

*Inner Cities: The Landscapes of Memory in William Kentridge's Johannesburg*  
Professor Jane Taylor (Leeds University)

11-11:15: *Break*

11:15-12: 45: **Parallel Panels**

1. *Screening the Past* (Screen 2): Chair: Dr. Des O'Rawe
  - Professor Rod Stoneman (NUI, Galway): 'Helicopter Sequences: Space, Power and Conflict'
  - Dr. Paula Blair (Aberdeen): "Panopticonicity: Sites of Control in Willie Doherty's Video Installations".
  - Elena Caoduro (Southampton): "Reconciliation without Justice: Milan and the Memory of the Piazza Fontana Massacre."
  
2. *Theatres of Post-Conflict* (Brian Friel Theatre): Professor Brian Singleton
  - Dr. Silvija Jestrovic (Warwick): 'Sarajevo: Anthropomorphic City'
  - Jana Dolecki (University Vienna): 'Theatre in Post-Conflict Dialogue Between Serbia and Croatia: Change or Exchange?'
  - Dr. Melijia Gluovic (Warwick): 'Sarajevo Theatre Tragedy: Trauma, Nostalgia, Loss'

12:45-13:15: *Lunch*

13:15-14: 45: *Performing Histories* (Screen 2): Professor Hastings Donnan

- Dr. Nerea Arruti (Aberdeen): "The War is Over": Performance and Art After Conflict"
- Dr. Mark Phelan: (Queen's): "Lost Lives: Performance and Remembrance"
- Dr. Paul Devlin (UU): "Derry/Londonderry: City of Culture/Memory"

15:00-15:30 **Closing Plenary Round-Table**: Chair: Professor Hastings Donnan

Professor Jane Taylor, Professor Thomas Elsaesser, Dr Colin Graham, Dr. Leija Panjeta,