London Anthropology Day  
UCL, Department of Anthropology, 14 Taviton Street, WC1H OBW  
20 June 2011  

9.00am: Arrival and Registration, Coffee  
Anthropology Department Foyer  

9.30am- 10.30am: Opening Debate  
Archaeology Lecture Theatre  

*Values of Knowledge in Contemporary Anthropology*  
*Chaired by Nicolas Argenti (Brunel)*  

Maurice Bloch (LSE) Why Participant Observation is Wonderful  
Roger Sansi (Goldsmiths) On Anthropological Optimism  

10.30am-11.00am: Tea  
Undergraduate Common Room  

11.00am- 1.00pm: Morning Parallel Sessions  

*Panel 1: Space, Place and Material Knowledge*  
*Archaeology Lecture Theatre*  
*Chaired by Josh Reno (Goldsmiths)*  

Annika Capelan (Lund) Fibrous Values: An Ethnographic Study of Fibre Ontologies  
(How does fibre enact value)  

Peter Oakley (UCL) A Trace of Gold: The Ambiguous Nature of Abandoned Goldmines  

Harry Walker. (LSE) The Pen and the Dart: Dart Arts of Amazonian Lawfare  

Alice Elliot (UCL) "Outside spaces: emigration, imagination and knowing the unknown in Morocco"
Panel 2: Personhood and Identity  
Daryll Forde Seminar Room  
Chaired by Andrew Sanchez (LSE)


Minori Suzuki (SOAS) Traditional Japanese Music in Germany

John Nagle (UEL) Unity in Diversity: Non-sectarian Social Movement Challenges to the Politics of Ethnic Antagonism in Violently Divided Cities

Willa Zhen (SOAS) Being in the Moment: In Search of a Cantonese Flavour

Panel 3: Education and Learning  
Room 130  
Chaired by Ditte Sass (Brunel)

Paul Fean (Sussex) ‘Authoritative Uncertainty’ and ‘Coming to Know’: Epistemological shifts in participatory research with Sudanese Teachers

Sarah Winkler Reid (Brunel) The dangers of being known: bitching practices amongst girls in a North London secondary school

Nurul Bhuiyan (Brunel) Learning to be Loyal Sons: The demand for sacred knowledge and popularity of madrasa schooling in rural Bangladesh

Daria Trentini (SOAS) Under Construction: Knowledge, Social Relations and Three Sources of Islamic Selfhood in Nampula City

1.00pm-2:00pm Lunch  
Undergraduate Common Room

2.00pm-4.00pm: Afternoon Parallel Sessions

Panel 4: States, Power and Contestation  
Archaeology Lecture Theatre  
Chaired by Catherine Alexander (Goldsmiths)

Luigi Achilli (SOAS) Does the Political Bore? The Denial and Camouflage of the ‘Political’ in a Palestinian Refugee Camp


Seamus Murphy (SOAS) The Loss of Knowledge in the Case of Agricultural Intervention
Sarah O Neill (Goldsmiths) Competing Competencies: Traditional Excisers, Midwives, and Female Genital Operations in Fouta Toro, Senegal

Will Rollason (Brunel) Cultural Knowledge and Conflicts of Interest: Reading the Constitution of Panapompom, Papua New Guinea

Panel 5: History and Memory
Daryll Forde Seminar Room
Chaired by Nicolas Argenti (Brunel)

Veronika Groke (St.Andrews) *Tenemos Nuestra Historia: A Case of History Objectified in a Bolivian Guarani Community.*

Cesar Herrera (Aberdeen) Rowing and Sailing: Perspectives of the Viking Ship Museum Roskilde

Eric Hirsch (Brunel) Why there is no Hesiod in the Papua Highlands: Valueing Difference in Fuyuge Mythological Knowledge

Denis Regnier (LSE) Prohibited Marriages and Psychological Essentialism: The Case of Slave Descendants in highland Madagascar

Diana Ibanez Tirado (SOAS) Beyond Linear Time: Pre-Soviet/Soviet/post-Soviet through Ethnographic Accounts from Kulob, Southern Tajikistan

Panel 6: Anthropological Knowledge and the Research Process
Room 130
Lane De Nicola (UCL)

Mark Jamieson (UEL) Rethinking our Findings and ‘Close’ Comparative Analysis: An Example from Nicaragua

Shirin Saeidi (Cambridge) Who Are We for Them: Theorising Research –Situated Gender Relations and Data Production

Andrew Beatty (Brunel) Return to the field: knowns and unknowns

Shelton-Zumpano (Xiamen) Anthropological Knowledge, Policy Making and Social Change: A comparison of Brazil, China and the UK

Brigida Marovelli (Brunel) The Ethnographic Flexibility: Acquiring Local Knowledge and Conventions During Fieldwork.
4.00-4.30 pm: Tea
Undergraduate Common Room

4.30-5.30 Roundtable Discussion
Archaeology Lecture Theatre

The Value of Anthropology Today
Chaired by Isak Niehaus (Brunel)

Participants: Emma Tarlo (Goldsmiths), Trevor Marchand (SOAS) and Peter Loizos (LSE)

5.30–6.30 Music and Entertainment
Undergraduate Common Room

The Funktionalists (LSE)