WHAT IS NEW AT CCPP

Seminar Series and Occasional Seminars in April:

» On April 08 Andrew Schaap (University of Exeter) presented a paper at the CCPP Occasional Seminars: “Hannah Arendt and the Philosophical Repression of Politics.”

» On April 15 Jessica Weir (Australian Institute of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Studies) presented a paper at the CCPP Seminar Series: “River Connections.”

» On April 29 Rajeev Bhargava (University of Delhi) presented a paper at the CCPP Seminar Series: “Forms of Secularity before Modern Secularism.”

Katherine Gibson


» Took part in a panel discussion Celebrating Julie Graham’s Contributions and Exploring the Future of her Work (April 13, AAG Annual Meeting).

» Helped to organize and facilitate two half day workshops for the Community Economies Research Collective in Seattle April 11-12. A group of 20 scholars from the US, Canada, Australia and Turkey met to share and discuss their research plans and develop collaborative writing and research projects. The collective organized 10 paper and panel sessions at the AAG conference in honour of Julie Graham.

» Presented the Annual Lecture for the Ethics, Justice and Human Rights Speciality Group of the AAG. Her lecture was based on the paper written with Gerda Roelvink and Julie Graham entitled “An Economic Ethics for the Anthropocene.”
Nikolas Kompridis

» Founded the Sydney Political Theory Workshop with Duncan Ivison (Sydney) and Paul Patton (UNSW).

» Presented invited paper at Centre for Cultural Research, April 14: “Whenever I hear the word ‘culture’ I reach for my revolver.” It will appear in Political Theory later this year.

» Organized the hosting with University of Sydney’s Sydney Democracy Initiative of the visit by Prof. Rajeev Bhargava, who presented papers for the Sydney Political Theory Workshop on the 27th of April, and CCPP on the 29th of April, and again at the “Spirited Voices from the Muslim World: Islam, Democracy, and Gender Rights” conference, April 28-30.

» Invited to present paper for the SHAPE (Society, History, Aesthetics, Politics, Environment) seminar series at University of Sydney, May 27. Title: “The Priority of Receptivity to Creativity.”

» Organized workshop on “Politics of Receptivity,” May 16-18. Participants: Jennifer Nedelsky (Toronto), Aletta Norval (Essex), Sofia Näsström (Stockholm), Romand Coles (Northern Arizona), and Nikolas Kompridis (UWS). Papers will be published later in the year in Ethics and Global Politics.

Magdalena Zolkos

» Presented an invited paper “‘Un petit geste’: Mute Witnessing in Shoah” at interdisciplinary symposium Trauma: Writing, Art & Affect, organized by the Writing & Society group at UWS, April 27.

ACADEMIC PROJECTS

Tim Rowse

» Has been working with Margaret Mitchell, using interviews with police in the Kimberley region of Western Australia in 2009. Tim and Margaret have drafted a paper for submission to the Indigenous Law Review (ILR). The ILR is putting together a special issue to mark the twentieth anniversary of the publication of the National Report into Aboriginal Deaths in Custody. In 1991 the 333 recommendations made in that report included several about the more sensitive and effective policing of regions with a high concentration of Aboriginal people. Subsequent inquiries into policing in Western Australia have echoed these recommendations. The result has been a policy discourse about the relevance of ‘Aboriginal community capacity’ to policing. Tim and Margaret’s study asks: what practical experience of ‘Aboriginal capacity’ is evident in the ways that police talk about their work? Their analysis of the interview data highlights several answers to that question - among them the emergence of articulate Aboriginal women whose actions are congruent with police concerns about both the prevention and the reporting of domestic violence. Accordingly, twenty years after the National Report of the Royal Commission, there is reason to believe that police culture and Aboriginal culture may be working in a complimentary dynamic - giving substance to the notion of ‘Aboriginal capacity’.
Lyn Carson

Old Parliament House is the site for the Museum of Australian Democracy. It is curating a new exhibition, Living Democracy, which involves a video wall of 20 people recognised as doing democratic work in Australia. Carson was one of the people chosen and recently spent several hours in Canberra being interviewed/filmed and photographed. The exhibition opens in a few months. See:

Philippa Collin

On May 5 the first two reports released under the banner of the CRC were launched: “Intergenerational Attitudes Towards Social Networking Services and Cybersafety”. This was a small project was undertaken in September and October of last year - a collaboration between Inspire, UWS and Murdoch University and involving Amanda Third and Natalie Bolzan from UWS, Ingrid Richardson and Kitty Rahilly - all also collaborators in the CRC. The reports are intended for a policy-maker, practitioner audience and we now have a number of academic publications in production. The media was managed by Inspire Foundation working in partnership with UWS. Dr. Amanda Third (UWS) was the researcher spokesperson although CCPP also got a number of mentions.

A digital release (http://www.interactivemediarelease.com/ogilvy/yaworc) was used and we are aware of the following coverage:
Radio/Television/Print: Interview with Deb Cameron on ABC 702; MX (free pop-media paper); Channel 7 News; Parramatta Sun; Online: http://www.physorg.com; http://ourkidz.com.au; ITwire.com; www.campusdaily.com.au; www.streetcorner.com.au; Policy: Circulated to Minister Conroy’s Cybersafety Working Group; The Australian Communications Consumer Action Network; Policy Online; YouthGas; NSW Parents’ Council Inc

In addition, 2 researchers have been invited to present at the Google Child Safety Summit in San Francisco in May 2011.
The Centre for Social Impact and Parramatta City Council have collaborated on the Australian Stories of Social Enterprise project which documents the stories of 33 Australian social enterprises through a series of interviews.

The book, coauthored by Cheryl Kernot and Joanne McNeill, was launched by the Minister for Human Services and Social Inclusion, the Hon Tanya Plibersek MP, at an event on 5th April in Sydney. It is the first of its kind in Australia.

“The stories illustrate the ingenuity and innovation that is occurring in Australia and will hopefully inspire others to see the great potential that social enterprises have to not only achieve positive financial outcomes, but to achieve successful social outcomes as well”, said Ms Plibersek.

Some of the enterprises studied include recycled mattresses, media, street coffee carts, cafes and restaurants, training, cleaning, renewable energy, printing, communications and digital technology social purpose businesses. The case studies show social enterprises at different stages of development, different trading market sectors and a variety of purposes and different organisational forms.


“The aim of the book is to showcase the diversity of the social enterprise model and broaden thinking. It is a vehicle for social enterprise practitioners to tell their stories, and is a snapshot of their perspectives”, said Cheryl Kernot.

Lyn Carson
- GriffithREVIEW has submitted a recent article by Carson, “Dilemmas, disasters and deliberative democracy,” as an entry in the 2011 John Button Prize.

Katherine Gibson

Nikolas Kompridis
Anna Yeatman

» Professor Janice Reid, Vice- Chancellor of the University, approved the appointment of Professor Anna Yeatman at Level E step 2 in recognition of her outstanding achievements and contribution to the University. Progression to this step is available only by invitation of the University and in accordance with the UWS High Performance Recognition Policy.

Jack Isherwood

» Formed the Philosophy Society at UWS. The purpose of the Philosophy Society is to discuss various philosophical issues in an informative yet entertaining fashion. Ideally the participants shall meet every fortnight and engage in a wide variety of activities, including student and staff presentations, movie nights and debating competitions.

http://philosophysocietyuws.blogspot.com/

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