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Special Guest Lectures

Spring Term 2022/2023

- **June 16, 2023**
Sam Potolicchio (Georgetown University)
Forecasting & Prediction – Necessary Skills for the 21st Century Leadership
- **May 29, 2023**
Mythos, Inc. series
Agnieszka Kotwasińska (University of Warsaw)
Persephone & Demeter: A Workshop on “Lore Olympus”
- **May 9, 2023**
Mythos, Inc. series
Agnieszka Kotwasińska (University of Warsaw)
Call of the Deep: Mermaids in Film and Fiction
- **April 27, 2023**
Kornelia Slavova (Sofia University)
Sex under Western Gaze
- **April 25, 2023**
Mythos, Inc. series
Bartłomiej Gąsiorek (University of Warsaw)
Blood, Guts, Quirks and Frames: Greek Myths in Video Games
- **April 20, 2023**
Charles Holdefer (author)
Appropriations of Emily Dickinson: the Persistence of the Poet
- **April 13, 2023**
Menachem Kaiser (author)
Meeting with Menachem Kaiser and Monika Skowron

- **March 31, 2023**
Agnieszka Graff (University of Warsaw)
Sebastian Smoliński (University of Warsaw)
Marta Usiekniewicz (University of Warsaw)
Klara Cykorz (Dwutygodnik, Krytyka Polityczna)
Co zrobić z Lydią Tár? Pokaz i dyskusja wokół filmu Todda Fielda
- **March 30, 2023**
Mythos, Inc. series
Joanna Kaniewska (independent researcher)
Between Euterpe and Aurora: How the Greek Myths Live in Contemporary Music
- **March 12, 2023**
ASC Oscars Night
Paweł Frelik (University of Warsaw)
Introductory lecture on the 2023 Oscar Nominees

Fall Term 2022/2023

- **February 14, 2023**
Agastya Wardhana (Airlangga University in Surabaya, Indonesia)
American Leadership in the war in Ukraine: Indonesian Perspective
- **January 25, 2023**
Weird Music vol. 2 series
Kamila i Jakub Sobczak (Pracownia Kraska)
Pieśni Grozy: Straszne, mordercze i tajemnicze polskie pieśni ludowe
[\[watch on YouTube\]](#)
- **December 15, 2022**
Karola Jałochowski (journalist, director)
“Veer”: Movie Screening with Q&A
- **December 6, 2022**
Weird Music vol. 2 series
Joanna Kaniewska (University of Warsaw)
Witches in American Popular Music

- **November 24, 2022**
ASC Thanksgiving Dinner

Spring Term 2021/2022

- **June 14, 2022**
ASC Students' Union
ASC picnic 2022
- **June 8, 2022**
Weird Music series
Joanna Kaniewska (University of Warsaw)
Agnieszka Kotwasińska (University of Warsaw)
Sounds of Dune(s): Music-landscaping in Cinema
- **March-May 2022**
Raymond Malewitz (Oregon State University)
The (Early) Literature of COVID-19
- **May 23, 2022**
Richard Reitsma (Canisius College, Buffalo, NY)
Queer Identity and Queer Spaces in Cuba, Mexico, and US —
keynote during Gender/Sexuality Conference
- **May 18, 2022**
Weird Music series
Nicholas C. Laudadio (University of North Carolina
Wilmington)
Oscillations: On Electronic Music and Science Fiction
- **May 10, 2022**
The American Day
Paweł Frelik (University of Warsaw)
*U.S. Witch Corps – o amerykańskich ideałach i kulturze zwanej
kiedyś popularną*
Agnieszka Graff (University of Warsaw)
Amerykańskie wojny kulturowe
- **March 30, 2022**
Carolyn Jesussek (Johannes Gutenberg-University Mainz)
*Queer Ecosystems: Gothic Materialism in Carmen Maria
Machado's In the Dream House*

- **March 27, 2022**
ASC Students' Union
ASC Oscar Night 2022
- **March 24, 2022**
Carsten Junker (TU Dresden)
An Introduction to Concepts of the Archive and Methods of Archival Research
- **March 23, 2022**
Elizabeth Cullen Dunn (Director, Center for Refugee Studies, Indiana University Bloomington) and **Iwona Kaliszewska** (Institute of Ethnology and Cultural Anthropology, University of Warsaw)
Distributed Humanitarianism: Digital Disruption, Grassroots Labor, and Volunteer Affect in Poland's Refugee Response
- **March 16, 2022**
Weird Music series
Joanna Kaniewska (University of Warsaw)
Reading Movie Soundtracks: A Workshop
- **March 2, 2022**
Karolina Krasuska, Ludmiła Janion, Aleksandra Kamińska, Agnieszka Kotwasińska, Anna Kurowicka, Natalia Pamuła, Marta Usiekniewicz (University of Warsaw), **Anna Piekutowska** (TOK FM)
Talking Gender: Academic Activism, Innovative Research and Feminist Pedagogy

Fall Term 2021/2022

- **January 26, 2022**
Weird Music series
Colin Walder (CD Projekt RED)
In Conversation with CD Projekt Red: Audio in Cyberpunk 2077
- **December 16, 2021**
Weird Music series
Joanna Kaniewska (University of Warsaw)
Cyborgs, Transhumans, and Posthumans in the Popular Music of 2010s

- **November 17, 2021**
Weird Music series
Jakub Guziński (University of Warsaw)
“I Guess This Is My Dissertation”: A Hip Hop Music Video Workshop
- **November 3, 2021**
Weird Music series
Tracey M. Salisbury (California State University)
Play This Only At Night: Hip Hop, Horror, and Afrofuturism
- **October 28, 2021**
XXVII Seminar of the Polish-American Ethnological Society
- **October 26, 28, 2021**
Małgorzata Gajda-Łaszewska, Marta Usiekniewicz, Anna Kurowicka, Ludmiła Janion (University of Warsaw)
BA Fresher’s Guide to the ASC
- **October 21, 2021**
Marta Usiekniewicz, Tomasz Basiuk, Michał Bilewicz, Ludmiła Janion, Agnieszka Graff, Elżbieta Korolczuk (University of Warsaw), Patrycja Sasnal (College of Europe)
Book launch “Anti-Gender Politics in the Populist Moment” by Agnieszka Graff and Elżbieta Korolczuk
- **September 30, 2021**
ASC Welcome Event
Julia Fiedorczuk (University of Warsaw)
‘To See the World Before the End of the World’: 21st-Century Poetry in the Face of Planetary Catastrophe

Spring Term 2020/2021

- **June 24, 2021**
Stefan “Steve” Rabitsch (University of Graz/University of Warsaw)
Chewing on Big Rock Candy Mountain: Reading and understanding the “real” American West in two essays
- **May 31, 2021**
Stefan “Steve” Rabitsch (University of Graz/University of Warsaw)
Infinite, Never Final Frontiers: The Fantastic Legacy of the American West(ern)

- **May 24, 2021**
 Monsters ReVisited series
Stefan “Steve” Rabitsch (University of Graz/University of Warsaw)
“There be whales here!”: Star Trekkin’ White Leviathans round the Moons of Nibia with Captain Ahab
- **May 11, 2021**
 Monsters ReVisited series
Sorcha Ní Fhlainn (Manchester Metropolitan University)
‘Knowledge is a Fatal Thing.’ Confessing Vampire Secrets from Polidori to Neil Jordan
- **May 5, 2021**
Charlie Leduff
Is America Doomed? A Critical Reflection from the Inside
- **April 30-May 2, 2021**
 2020 EAAS CONFERENCE: 20/20 Vision: Citizenship, Space, Renewal

Wendy Brown (University of California, Berkeley)
What’s Left of Freedom? In Conversation with Zuzanna Ładyga

Michelle Burnham (Santa Clara University)
1620/2020: Colonies, Corporations, and Constructing American Cultural Histories

Tomasz Basiuk (ASC, University of Warsaw)
Crusing and Method: Notes on Queer Studies in a Transnational Context
- **April 28, 2021**
John Wills (University of Kent)
Showdown on the Pixel Frontier
- **April 13, 2021**
 Monsters ReVisited series
Katarzyna Bielicka (University of Warsaw)
Ze wszystkich istot nadprzyrodzonych najszkodliwszy. Wilkołaki w słowiańskim folklorze
- **April 12, 2021**
Dr. Cynthia Miller-Idriss (The American University)
Hate in the Homeland – Right-wing Extremism in the USA

- **April 8, 2021**
Race in US Popular Culture. Presentation of ASC Students' Articles Published in "View"
- **March 29, 2021**
Monsters ReVisited series
Patrycja Pichnicka-Trivedi (University of Warsaw)
Customary Strangers: Double Mirroring of Otherness in Eastern-Western Vampire Narratives
- **March 22, 2021**
Roman Kuźniar (University of Warsaw)
American Leadership in the World - a Myth or Reality?
- **February 25, 2021**
Q&A with Comic Book Artist Shawn Martinbrough

Fall Term 2020/2021

- **January 25, 2021**
EcoGothic Landscapes series
Jędrzej Burszta (University of Warsaw)
Weird Space Junkies: Speculations on the Psychedelic
- **January 18, 2021**
EcoGothic Landscapes series
Filip Peringer (University of Warsaw)
The Ur-Savage: The Anthropological Horror of Green Inferno and Bone Tomahawk
- **December 14, 2020**
EcoGothic Landscapes series
Beata Kubiak Ho-Chi (University of Warsaw)
Bliskie spotkania z istotami nie-ludzkimi we współczesnej literaturze japońskiej
- **December 9, 2020**
Robert Henry, Judit Trunkos (University of South Carolina)
Old South - New South and the 2020 Elections
- **December 1, 2020**
EcoGothic Landscapes series
Alison Sperling (Technische Universität Berlin):
Weird Fiction and Ecological Thought

- **November 23, 2020**
EcoGothic Landscapes series
Brittany A. Roberts (Southeastern Louisiana University)
Ecological Intimacies in the Anthropocene: Horror, Ethics, and the Shadow of Nonhuman Difference
- **November 20, 2020**
Q&A with Activist and LGBT Pioneer Mark Segal
- **November 18, 2020**
Paweł Laidler (Jagiellonian University)
Post-elections in USA: Legal Challenges to Electoral Procedures in American Democracy
- **November 3, 2020**
Anna Mazurkiewicz (University of Gdańsk)
Ryszard Schnepf, Bohdan Szklarski, Marek Wilczyński (ASC UW)
US Elections 2020
- **October 22, 2020**
Stanley Nelson (film director)
Freedom Riders
- **October-November 2020**
Filip Boratyn, Anna Kurowicka, Ludmiła Janion (ASC UW)
How to Survive at ASC? A Three-Part Online Seminar for BA Freshers

Spring Term 2019/2020

- **June 9, 2020**
Shayani Bhattacharya (Lebanon Valley College)
Joshua Clark Davis (University of Baltimore)
William Glass (ASC UW)
Krystyna Mazur (ASC UW)
On Looting Black Bodies and the Social Contract in America
- **June 5, 2020**
Line Henriksen (IT University of Copenhagen)
Hybrids, monsters and unfinished texts: some stories for the anxious
- **June 4, 2020**
Richard Payne-Holmes (U.S. Embassy Warsaw)
U.S. Foreign Policy in Eastern and Central Europe

- **May 14, 2020**
Esther Bell (U.S. Embassy Warsaw)
The Role of Congressional Oversight in Foreign Affairs

Fall Term 2019/2020

- **January 23, 2020**
Aleksandra Lis (Adam Mickiewicz University in Poznań)
Renewable energy sources as socio-technical projects – searching for contexts and meanings in Poland and Argentina
- **January 17, 2020**
Stefan Rabitsch (Universität Graz)
“The Best [and Worst] of Both Worlds”: Star Trek’s Transatlantic Pax Galatica
- **January 16, 2020**
Stefan Rabitsch (Universität Graz)
“I Like Big Hats and I Cannot Lie”: Petasus Americanus or a Cultural History of Cowboy Hats
- **December 19, 2019**
Anna Sosnowska-Jordanovska (ASC UW)
Tomasz Zarycki (University of Warsaw)
Józef Böröcz (Rutgers University)
Explaining Economic Backwardness. Post-1945 Polish Historians on Eastern Europe
- **November 14, 2019**
Jamie Loda (U.S. Embassy in Warsaw)
From Warsaw to New York – Work and Travel Program
- **November 14, 2019**
Jhon Picard Byron (Université d’État d’Haïti)
Africa Within Haitian National Narratives
- **October 10, 2019**
Heinz Ickstadt (Freie Universität Berlin)
Backward Glance over the Much Traveled Road of Postmodern Fiction
- **October 7, 2019**
Daniel Fried (U.S. Department of State Assistant Secretary)
The US and Today’s Global Challenges

Spring Term 2018/2019

- **June 21-22, 2019**
International Conference
Failed Leadership
- **May 30, 2019**
Najjar Abdul Musawwir (Southern Illinois University Carbondale)
From Africa to America: A Visual Artist Aesthetic Reaction to the Banjo
- **May 24, 2019**
Edward Commentale (Indiana University at Bloomington)
Krzysztof Michałek Memorial Lecture: *Kurt Vonnegut and 'Quality of Place' in America's Midwest*
- **May 23, 2019**
Andrew Wise (Daemen College)
Immigrant Communities and Environmental Justice in the Progressive Era: Dr. Francis Fronczak and Public Health in Buffalo, NY (1899-1917)
- **May 15, 2019**
Meeting with a Columbian writer Winston Morales Chavarro
- **May 9, 2019**
Photography Exhibition by Arnaud Rodamel

Fall Term 2018/2019

- **December 5, 2018**
Marjorie Perloff (Stanford University)
Poetry in the Digital Age
- **November 29, 2018**
Henryk Szlajfer (University of Warsaw)
Book launch: *Co-Authors of the Atlantic World: New Christians and Jews in the Latin America's Colonial Economy of the 16th-17th Century*
- **November 21, 2018**
Hasrat Arjjumend (Grassroots Institute – Canada/India)
Environmental Issues of Indigenous Peoples in Canada

- **November 14, 2018**
Frank J. Finver (Public Affairs Officer, U.S. Embassy in Warsaw)
US and Current Affairs
- **October 26, 2018**
Robin Wagner-Pacifci (New School for Social Research)
Our Age of Crisis: Donald Trump's Elongated Rupture as Elusive Event
- **October 18, 2018**
"Salam Neighbor:" Screening and Discussion
Introduction by **Natalia Gebert**
- **October 11-12, 2018**
The Launch of *The New Americanist: A Symposium*
George Blaustein (University of Amsterdam)
Nightmare Envy and Other Stories: American Culture and European Reconstruction
Tim Jelfs (University of Groningen)
Publication Workshop for Graduate Students/Early Career Academics
Josephine Metcalf (University of Hull)
"Dynamic"; "Distinct"; "Accessible"? Navigating the Evolving American Studies Publishing Scene in the UK

Spring Term 2017/2018

- **September 27, 2018**
Ryszard Schnepf (ASC UW)
The American Pattern: Independence-Democracy-Constitution
at Freshmen Welcome Ceremony
- **September 24-26, 2018**
Festiwal Nauki 2018
Agnieszka Kotwasińska (ASC UW)
Klub "Kultura Popularna": Zrozumieć (folk) horror
Marta Usiekniewicz (ASC UW)
Klub "Kultura Popularna": Zrozumieć powieść kryminalną
Paweł Frelik (ASC UW)
Klub "Kultura Popularna": Zrozumieć science fiction
- **September 22, 2018**
Sarah Schulman (The City University of New York)
Sexual Citizenship, Oral History, and the Archive in 1970s Central and Eastern Europe:

Let The Record Show: ACT UP and The Enduring Relationship of AIDS

- **June 13, 2018**
Bohdan Szklarski (ASC UW)
Studia hemisferyczne: interpretacje i definicje
- **June 12, 2018**
Ogólnopolska konferencja naukowa
Badanie i mierzenie przywództwa
- **June 6, 2018**
Christopher Breu (Illinois State University)
Public Violence as Private Pathology: Noir Affect in Chester Himes's "The End of a Primitive"
- **June 4, 2018**
Maja Możdzonek (ASC student)
Weronika Pietras (ASC student)
Jorge Marti Martinez (Cuban Ambassador to Poland)
Sławomir Klimkiewicz (former Polish Ambassador to Cuba)
Młodzi Kubańczycy i ich wizja przyszłości
- **May 30, 2018**
Elizabeth Dunn (Indiana University at Bloomington)
Krzysztof Michałek Memorial Lecture: *The Trouble with Refugees: Xenophobia, Populism, and the 2016 American Presidential Election*
- **May 24, 2018**
Leonard Gadzekpo (Southern Illinois University)
A new paradigm: African Americans in the American experience
- **May 16, 2018**
Daniel Blinder (Nacional University de San Martín)
Desarrollo Espacial en Argentina: una trama política
- **May 9, 2018**
Martin Klepper (Humboldt University in Berlin)
Race, Eugenics, and Mass Cultures in the United States

Fall Term 2017/2018

- **January 10, 2018**
Lázaro Pena (University of Havana)
La inserción de la economía cubana en la economía global
- **December 19, 2017**
Debate: #METOO: *The Limits of Permissiveness*

- **December 15, 2017**
Frederick W. Gooding, Jr. (Northern Arizona University)
In Living Color: Hollywood's Relationship with Race
- **December 7, 2017**
Jack Halberstam (University of Columbia)
 New Gender/Queer Archives Conference Keynote
 lecture: *Trans* - A Hidden Archive*
- **November 24, 2017**
Steve Berry
 Meeting and discussion
- **November 16, 2017**
Aleksandra Leniarska (Humanity in Action Fellow)
Tomasz Jacheć (University of Warmia and Mazury in Olsztyn)
Radosław Leniarski (*Gazeta Wyborcza*)
Sports, Politics, Protest
- **November 16, 2017**
Bogumiła Lisocka-Jaegermann (ASC UW)
Renata Siuda-Ambroziak (ASC UW)
Joana Bahia (Universidade do Estado do Rio de Janeiro)
Inter-Institutional Symposium: Transnational Afro-American Religions
- **November 15, 2017**
John B. Judis (editor-at-large at *Talking Points Memo*)
The Populist Phenomenon in the United States and Europe
- **November 7, 2017**
Neal Pease (University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee)
A Hundred Years of US-Polish Relations
- **November 6, 2017**
Carlos Vasquez-Zawadzki (University of Cali)
La cuentística de Gabriel García Márquez desde una perspectiva musicográfica
- **October 26, 2017**
Ruben Sykora
 Exhibition: *Paraguay vive*
- **October 19, 2017**
Hate-speech, Civic Society, and the Media
 Panel discussion with Michał Bilewicz, Feras Daboul,
 Dominika Michalak and Jarosław Ziótkowski

- **October 17, 2017**
Marta Figlerowicz (Yale University)
Economy-Sized Giants
- **October 16, 2017**
Robert Brinkmeyer (University of South Carolina)
The Dynamics of Segregation in “To Kill a Mockingbird” and “Go Set a Watchman”
- **October 11, 2017**
Heizel Christina Tórrrez Velásquez (environmental activist from Nicaragua)
Pedro Cabezas (environmental activist from El Salvador)
The Environmental, Social and Political Impacts of Mining Industry on the Democratic Development of Central America

Spring Term 2016/2017

- **May 26, 2017**
Winnifred F. Sullivan (Indiana University at Bloomington)
Krzysztof Michałek Memorial Lecture: *Banning Bibles, Constituting the People*
- **May 23, 2017**
Salvatore Barbones
Meeting and discussion
- **May 18, 2017**
Nabil M. Alawi (An-Najah National University)
Dehegemonizing American Studies: A Palestinian Perspective
- **May 18, 2017**
Lisa K. Parshall (Daemen College)
Election 2016: Time and Con(sequence): Reforming America’s Presidential Nominating Process Post-2016
- **April 27, 2017**
Margaret Ohia-Nowak (Wrocław University of Science and Technology)
Black People in Poland: A Self-Reflective Study of Discourse
- **March 29, 2017**
Stanisław Filipowicz (University of Warsaw)
Steven Hayward (UC Berkeley)
Michał Kuź (Lazarski University)
Peter L.P. Simpson (Graduate Center of CUNY)
Artur Szutta (Gdansk University)

Tomasz Żyro (War Studies University, Warsaw)
Discussion on Clifford Angell Bates Jr's new book: The Centrality of the Regime for Political Science

- **March 28, 2017**
Paul W. Jones (U.S. Ambassador to Poland)
Meeting with the U.S. Ambassador to Poland
- **March 23, 2017**
Katarzyna Pisarska (Founder and Director of the European Academy of Diplomacy in Warsaw, Poland and the Visegrad School of Political Studies)
Russia's Information Warfare in a World of Post-Truths
- **March 9, 2017**
Black History Month at ASC: *Remembering African American Music*
A concert by **Małgorzata Ziótek-Sowińska** (piano, vocal), **Karolina Gadomska** (vocal) and **Dominik Gręda** (guitar)
- **March 9, 2017**
Małgorzata Ziótek-Sowińska (Akademia Humanistyczno-Ekonomiczna w Łodzi)
Black History Month at ASC: *The Soul Music Aesthetics in the Music of Aretha Franklin*
- **March 6, 2017**
Elizabeth L. Evans (Eurasia Foreign Area Officer, U.S. Embassy in Warsaw)
Women's Career Paths and Challenges in the US Military Forces
- **March 2, 2017**
Małgorzata Ziótek-Sowińska (Akademia Humanistyczno-Ekonomiczna w Łodzi)
Black History Month in ASC: *Jazz and the Blues in the Poetry of Langston Hughes and Sterling A. Brown*

Fall Term 2016/2017

- **October 27-29, 2016**
Polish Association for American Studies Annual Conference: *Transnational American Studies: Histories, Methodologies, Perspectives*
- **October 13, 2016**
Debata z okazji Dnia Solidarności z Uchodźcami

Spring Term 2015/2016

- **June 18-19, 2016**
Academia at Night: *Discover UW — University of Warsaw 200 anniversary celebration*
- **June 7, 2016**
Emily C. Burns (Auburn University)
“Local Color in Art”: Nationalism and Impressionism in the United States, Australia, and France
- **June 6, 2016**
Queer Feminist Film: Sini Anderson
- **June 6, 2016**
Thomas Greven (Freie Universität Berlin)
The Rise of Right-wing Populism in Europe and the United States: A Comparative Perspective
- **June 3, 2016**
Chris Steineger (former Kansas State Senator)
Election 2016: U.S. Elections 2016
- **June 2, 2016**
Claire Bea (U.S. Foreign Service Officer, U.S. Embassy in Warsaw)
American-Polish Relations: The U.S. Perspectives on American-Polish Relations
- **May 12, 2016**
Spotkanie z Katarzyną Surmiak-Domańską, autorką książki *Ku Klux Klan. Tu mieszka miłość*
- **May 9, 2016**
Queer Feminist Film: Martin Scorsese
- **April 28, 2016**
Stanisław Obirek
American Studies Center 40th Anniversary Lecture:
John Paul II and His Impact on the Polarization of the Catholic Church: Poland as a Case Study
- **April 26, 2016**
Michał Chudoliński (Collegium Civitas)
Superman – Twilight of the American God
- **April 21, 2016**
Tomasz Basiuk (ASC UW)
American Studies Center 40th Anniversary Lecture:

Viral Communications: Jonathan Demme in Dialogue with Pedro Almodóvar

- **April 19, 2016**
Pamela Wells and **Paul Bryan Robinson** (“Replika” LGBTQ magazine)
Election 2016: LGBTQ Issues and 2016 Presidential Election
- **April 12, 2016**
Omar López Montenegro (Human Rights Director at the Cuban American National Foundation)
Mr. Obama Goes to Havana: The Future of US Relations with Cuba
- **April 11, 2016**
Queer Feminist Film: Nancy D. Kates
- **April 7, 2016**
Agnieszka Graff (ASC UW)
American Studies Center 40th Anniversary Lecture:
Getting paid to read difficult books. Democracy, market liberalism and the crisis of the humanities
- **April 4, 2016**
Meeting with members of the U.S. House of Representatives: Dana Rohrabacher, Juan Vargas, Brian Higgins and David Cicilline
- **March 31, 2016**
Grzegorz Kość (ASC UW)
American Studies Center 40th Anniversary Lecture
Rebalancing “Near the Unbalanced Aquarium”: Revisiting the Archival Sources of Robert Giroux’s Version of Lowell’s Memoir for a New Copy-Text
- **March 10, 2016**
David A. Jones (ASC UW)
American Studies Center 40th Anniversary Lecture
Return of Fallen Empires? What are the Aspirations of the Russian Federation, China, the United States, and the European Union?
- **March 7, 2016**
Queer Feminist Film: Angela Davis and Yolande DuLuart

Fall Term 2015/2016

- **February 25, 2016**
Maciej Świdorski (University of Warsaw)
Modernicana: Highway to the Future – Glittery Appeal of the American Mid-century Modern Style
- **January 27, 2016**
Michael “Patches” Stewart (trumpeter)
The Story of Jazz, from New Orleans to Warsaw
- **January 26, 2016**
John Law (Deputy Chief, U.S. Embassy in Warsaw)
Elections 2016: What Decides Who Wins
- **January 22, 2016**
Ralph Talmont (Curator Team Leader for TEDex Warsaw)
TED Talks, Public Speaking and the Art of Finding What You Are Not Looking For
- **January 21, 2016**
Michał Chudoliński (Collegium Civitas)
Arkham Asylum – the Neurotic Mythology of Our Times
- **January 19, 2016**
Molly O’Neal (Johns Hopkins University, Fulbright Visiting Lecturer and Researcher at Collegium Civitas)
Election 2016: Foreign Policy Debates And the U.S. Presidential Campaign
- **January 12, 2016**
Angela Palazzolo (U.S. Foreign Service Officer)
The State Department – How Does it Work?
- **December 17, 2015**
Doroczna debata o sytuacji osób LGBTI w USA: *Tęczowy raport o stanie państwa 2015*
- **December 14, 2015**
Magdalena Maksimiuk (Polish Academy of Sciences)
A Contester in Suburbia. Anna Tatarska on Todd Solondz
- **December 10, 2015**
Tomasz Szczerbicki (University of Warsaw)
Harley-Davidson – symbol i legenda. 110 lat historii w USA i w Polsce
- **December 7, 2015**
Queer Feminist Film: Jill Godmilow
- **December 3, 2015**
Maciej Świdorski (University of Warsaw)

Modernicana: *Failures in the park. New York City's Public Housing Projects and Urban Renewal*

- **December 2-4, 2015**
International Conference
Shibboleth 1967/1968
- **November 20, 2015**
Seminarium poświęcone dyskusji nad
książką *Niekonfrontacyjna asymetria w relacjach polsko-amerykańskich*
- **November 19, 2015**
Kenneth Stickers (Southern Illinois University Carbondale)
The Spirit of Capitalism and the Caribbean Slave Trade
- **November 9, 2015**
Queer Feminist Film: Greta Schiller and Andrea Weiss
- **October 15, 2015**
Open Meeting and Discussion on the Situation of Refugees in
Poland and Abroad
- **October 8, 2015**
Piotr Kimla (Jagiellonian University)
Henry Kissinger and the Art of Self-restrain in Politics

Spring Term 2014/2015

- **June 13, 2015**
Meeting of the American Studies Network
- **June 3, 2015**
Andrzej Krakowski (City University of New York)
Pollywood. Jak stworzyliśmy Hollywood
- **June 1, 2015**
Queer Feminist Film: TV Series
- **May 14, 2015**
Joanna Masiubańska
Spotkanie autorskie wokół książki *Kubańskie kłamstewko*
- **May 11, 2015**
Heinz Ickstadt (Freie Universität Berlin)
Transcendentalists and Cultural Nationalists: from Thoreau and Church to the Painters and Writers of the Stieglitz Circle
- **May 4, 2015**
Queer Feminist Film: Jenny Livigstone and Daniel Peddle

- **April 13, 2015**
Queer Feminist Film: Silas Howard and Harry Dodge, and Sadie Benning
- **March 26, 2015**
Abp Celestino Migliore
Bohdan Szklarski (ASC UW)
Henryk Szlajfer (ASC UW)
Piotr Łaciński (Collegium Civitas)
Joanna Masiubańska (Cuban American National Foundation)
Przetom w stosunkach amerykańsko-kubańskich? Przyczyny i konsekwencje

Fall Term 2014/2015

- **February 2, 2015**
Queer Feminist Film: Carole Roussopoulos and Mary Harron
- **November 26, 2014**
Performance by Tracie Morris
- **November 3, 2014**
Queer Feminist Film: Barbara Hammer
- **October 30, 2014**
Panel dyskusyjny o sytuacji osób LGBT+ w USA: *Tęczowy raport o stanie państwa 2014*
- **October 9, 2014**
I have a dream – Martin Luther King in Polish

Spring Term 2013/2014

- **September 22-23, 2014**
Festival of Science: *Skandal w amerykańskiej polityce i kulturze*
- **June 12, 2014**
Michał Chudoliński
Batman – Dark Knight of Moral Anxiety. Popcultural mythology of USA
- **June 9, 2014**
An interim report from a research project: *Perceptions of USA in Poland since 1956*
- **June 5, 2014**
Dominika Ferens (University of Wrocław)

Alexia Kosmider (Rhode Island School of Design)
Screening of the documentary: "Sappho's Fire" (2011)

- **May 16-17, 2014**
International Interdisciplinary Conference
Thinking Food: The Functions of Food in the US American Culture and Society
- **April 30, 2014**
Samuel Marotta (Open University of UW)
On American Catholicism
- **April 23, 2014**
Ewa Rumińska-Zimny (Gender Studies IBL PAN)
Elżbieta Korolczuk (Södertörn University, School of Social Sciences)
Agnieszka Graff (OSA UW)
Janina Pietrzak (University of Warsaw)
Maciej Gdula (University of Warsaw)
Tomasz Basiuk (ASC UW)
Seminarium. Kategoria gender w nauce i w działaniach antydyskryminacyjnych
- **April 16, 2014**
Jakub Staszelis (Kryszna Kirtan Das)
This Could Only Happen in America – Outline of the History and Teaching of the Hare Krishna Movement
- **April 10, 2014**
Magdalena Maksimiuk (Polish Academy of Sciences)
The Man Behind the Alluring Image. All the Faces of JFK in Selected Movies and TV Series
- **March 28-29, 2014**
International Academic Conference
Deconstructing The Kennedy Mystique: JFK as a Cultural Phenomenon
- **March 28, 2014**
Dominic Pacyga (Columbia College Chicago)
Polish Americans and the Labor Movement in Steel and Meat Packing, 1880 to 1960
- **March 19, 2014**
Agata Sobiecka
On American Buddhism

- **March 18, 2014**
Hanna Buczyńska-Garewicz (College of the Holy Cross in Worcester)
William James and Others: Philosophy of Memory
- **March 13, 2014**
Magda Maksimiuk (Polish Academy of Sciences)
New American Cinema in Berlin: Reviews, Impressions, Trends of 64. Berlinale

Fall Term 2013/2014

- **January 23-24, 2014**
Sabine Broeck (University of Bremen)
Faculty and graduate seminar. Property and Anti-Blackness: Revisiting Anti-Slavery Literature
- **January 16, 2014**
Józef Pinior (Senator RP)
Amerykańskie tajne więzienia CIA w Polsce?
- **January 13, 2014**
Kirk Savage (University of Pittsburgh)
The National Mall: The Organization of Washington's Public Space and its Functions
- **December 17, 2013**
Tomasz Sikora (Pedagogical University of Krakow)
Virtually Wild. Wilderness, Technology, and the Ecology of Mediation
- **December 16, 2013**
James E. Young (University of Massachusetts, Amherst)
Holocaust Museums in Europe and in the United States
- **December 9, 2013**
Steven Conn (Ohio State University)
Museums of Ethnic Specificity and National Narrative in the United States
- **December 2, 2013**
Robert Dizard Jr. (Deputy Librarian, Library of Congress)
Serving the Congress and the People: Library of Congress
- **November 18, 2013**
Clifford Chanin
The Organization, function and mission of the National 9/11 Memorial and Museum

- **November 14, 2013**
Tomasz Basiuk (ASC UW)
Marta Konarzewska
Mariusz Kurc
Bartosz Żurawiecki
 Debata: *Czy Biały Dom może być tęczyowy?*

Spring Term 2012/2013

- **September 23-26, 2013**
 Festival of Science: USA w latach 60. XX wieku
Bohdan Szklarski (ASC UW)
Mit i tajemnica śmierci prezydenta Kennedy'ego
Karolina Krasuska (ASC UW)
Spisek albo dlaczego Philip Roth nie dostał jeszcze Nagrody Nobla
Agnieszka Graff (ASC UW)
Betty Friedan: kobiecość, feminizm, rewolucja
Grzegorz Kość (ASC UW)
Martin Luther King: zbiorowa pamięć i amnezja
- **June 6, 2013**
Agnieszka Mastalerz (University of Warsaw)
Tendencje współczesnego kina, czyli relacja z 66 Festiwalu Filmowego w Cannes
- **June 5, 2013**
Rabbi Dr. Gil Nativ (Beit Warszawa Synagogue)
Jews in the U.S. Will the future American Jew be Reconservadox?
- **May 21, 2013**
Karolina Krasuska (ASC UW)
Spotkanie wokół książki "Płeć i naród: Trans/lokacje"
- **May 16, 2013**
Isabel Marcus (University at Buffalo Law School)
Feminist Jurisprudence and the Expansion of Women's Rights in the USA
- **April 26, 2013**
John Krafft (Fulbright Lecturer at The John Paul II Catholic University of Lublin)
How Posthuman Have We Become? A Seminar
- **April 10 and 18, 2013**
Gedeon W. Werner

*Controversial Issues in Contemporary American Life: Racism,
Gun Control*

Fall Term 2012/2013

- **January 16, 2013**
Stephen Mull (U.S. Ambassador to Poland)
Polish-American Relations in 2013: Priorities and Opportunities
- **December 13, 2012**
John Mueller (Ohio State University)
The Delusion of Terrorism
- **December 2-9, 2012**
Marco Pustianaz (University of Eastern Piedmont in Vercelli)
A series of guest lectures
- **November 29, 2012**
Kevin Uhler (Junior Fulbright Fellow at the ASC)
American WWII Home Front Propaganda
- **November 20, 2012**
Jody Huckaby (PFLAG USA)
Ireneusz Krzemiński (Instytut Socjologii UW)
Zofia Jabłońska (Kampania Przeciw Homofobii)
Debata: Czy w Polsce powstanie ruch Sojuszników LGBT?
- **November 7, 2012**
ASC Students and Kevin Uhler (Junior Fulbright Fellow at the ASC)
The Election Breakfast sponsored by the U.S. Embassy
- **October 24, 2012**
Frankie Sturm (Deputy Cultural Attaché at the U.S. Embassy in Warsaw)
Presidential Debates 2012: Close Analysis of Strategies and Tactics
- **October 11, 2012**
Joshua A. Tucker (New York University)
Election System in the USA and the Role of The Electoral College

Spring Term 2011/2012

- **September 25-27, 2012**
XVI Festiwal Nauki: Presidential Elections
Bohdan Szklarski (ASC UW)
Jak się wygrywa lub przegrywa wybory w Ameryce

Bohdan Szklarski (ASC UW)

Sławomir Józefowicz (University of Warsaw)

Krajobraz przedwyborczy 2012: Spory o Obamę i nie tylko

Piotr Tarczyński (University of Warsaw)

Waszyngton i Hollywood: Amerykańska polityka w kulturze popularnej

- **August 24 – September 21, 2012**

American Month

- **May 25-26, 2012**

Ogólnopolska konferencja

Nienormatywne praktyki rodzinne

- **May 11-12, 2012**

Academic Conference

The 1960s: Legacies

- **February 22, 2012**

Lisa Helling (U.S. Embassy in Warsaw)

Agnieszka Graff (ASC UW)

Betty Winfield (University Of Missouri)

A screening and debate around documentary film “Miss Representation” (2011)

Spring Term 2010/2011

- **September 20-22, 2011**

XV Festiwal Nauki: Basic USA

Urszula Jarecka (Polish Academy of Sciences in Warsaw)

Everything You Wanted to Know About Hollywood

Michał Goszczyński (University of Warsaw)

The Warsaw University faculty and the representative of the Fulbright Commission in Warsaw: *Beyond Harvard: Studying in the U.S. Everything You Wanted to Know About U.S. Higher Education*

Bohdan Szklarski (ASC UW)

Everything You Wanted to Know About the U.S. President

- **June 3-4, 2011**

Ogólnopolska Konferencja Naukowa

Strategie queer. Kulturowa i społeczna sytuacja osób nieheteroseksualnych i transpłciowych w perspektywie interdyscyplinarnej

- **May 25, 2011**

Roman Rewald

Discussion Around an Academy Award Documentary “Inside Job” (2010)

- **May 19, 2011**
John Karaagac (Indiana University, School of Public and Environmental Affairs)
The Obama Foreign Policy: A Work in Progress
- **April 13, 2011**
Lee Feinstein (U.S. Ambassador to Poland)
Transatlantic Relations Today
- **March 15, 2011**
Isabel Marcus (University at Buffalo Law School)
Discussion on Developments and Dilemmas in Reproductive Rights in the United States
- **March 3, 2011**
Alan L. Draper (St. Lawrence University)
Elections 2010-2012
- **February 22, 2011**
Richard Wolin (Graduate Center of the City University of New York)
Intellectuals and Contemporary Politics

Fall Term 2010/2011

- **November 17, 2010**
Morton Halperin
The Community of Democracies and New Democracies
- **October 19, 2010**
Michał Jan Rozbicki (Saint Louis University)
The American Revolution: Did the Founders Betray Their Own Ideals?
- **October 14, 2010**
Yu Han (Xiamen University)
The Study of American History in China: Retrospect and Prospect
- **October 1, 2010**
Stuart Loory (Distinguished Fulbright Chair to the University of Warsaw)
Is the United States Media Really Free?

Spring Term 2009/2010

- **September 20-22, 2010**
XIV Festiwal Nauki: Ameryka w XXI wieku: Kultura i społeczeństwo
Anna Sosnowska (ASC UW)
Czy na Greenpoincie czas się zatrzymał? Polscy imigranci w Nowym Jorku
Karolina Krasuska (ASC UW)
Tomasz Basiuk (ASC UW)
Spisek, Tolkien i krykiet: Proza amerykańska XXI wieku
Ewa Hauser (University of Warsaw)
Jan Szelaǳewicz (University of Warsaw)
Spółeczeństwo zdezinformowane, czyli jak sprzedawano Amerykanom wojnę w Iraku
- **June 23, 2010**
Bill Schneider (George Mason University)
Discussion on the current political situation in the U.S. and in Poland
- **June 1, 2010**
Kurt Schock (The State University of New Jersey)
Civil Rights Movement in the U.S. as an Example of Nonviolent Civil Resistance
- **May 26, 2010**
Hasia Diner (New York University)
Fitting Memorials: American Jews and the Memory of the Holocaust, 1945-1962
- **May 17, 2010**
Derek Hackett (Fordham University)
'Fools Rush in Where Angels Fear to Tread': An Interpretation of the Movie The Third Man as a Political Allegory
- **May 17, 2010**
Elisabeth Frost (Fordham University)
The "Photo-Text": Contemporary Women Poets And Visual Artists
- **May 15 and 17, 2010**
Jeff Friedman
Performin' Signifyin': The Whitman Sisters Get In Your (Black) Face

- **May 13, 2010**
Meeting with National War College students
America in the World: Polish and American Perspectives
- **April 27-28, 2010**
Kamil Aydin
America's Influence in Turkey
Orientalism and Post-Colonialism
- **April 24, 2010**
Sheila Lalwani
The Challenges of Reporting on Islam and Muslims in a Global World: What is the Way Forward?
- **April 21, 2010**
Maciej Wierzyński
Głos Ameryki, Wolna Europa – narzędzia amerykańskiej polityki zagranicznej
- **April 20, 2010**
Werner Krieglstein
Science and Morality in Contemporary America
- **March 10, 2010**
Rita Felski (University of Virginia)
Guest lecture *Suspicious Minds* and open seminar

Fall Term 2009/2010

- **February 24, 2010**
Mark J. Rozell (George Mason University at Arlington)
Obama: His First Year Leadership
- **December 14, 2009**
Barclay Key (Western Illinois University)
Southern Confessionals: Racial Reconciliation in the 1960s
- **November 23, 2009**
Catrin Gersdorf (Freie Universität Berlin)
Beyond the Vernacular: Landscape and the African American Cultural Tradition
- **November 19, 2009**
Donald C. Martin
Road Map for Graduate Education in the USA

- **October 27, 2009**
Anne Nelson
Theater and Trauma: How New Yorkers Used Theater in Response to the September 11th Attack
- **October 21, 2009**
John R. Leo (University of Rhode Island)
Gay Marriage/Registered Partnership and Citizenship
- **October 20, 2009**
Cezary M. Ornatowski (University of California)
The War of Ideas: Rhetoric, Extremism, and Security
- **October 16, 2009**
Elahe Haschemi Yekani (Humboldt University Berlin)
The Spectacle of the 'Self': White Masculinity in Photography

Spring Term 2008/2009

- **September 25, 2009**
Ewa Grzeszczyk
Sylwia Kuźma-Markowska
S. Góźdź
R. Miszczak
M. Pisuk
"Hip-hop generation" kontra "pokolenie hip-hopu". Znaczenie kultury hip-hop dla polskiego i amerykańskiego społeczeństwa.
- **May 7, 2009**
Eric J. Sundquist (UCLA)
Martin Luther King's "Dream Speech" - Its Sources and Legacy
- **May 20, 2009**
J. Peter Burkholder (Indiana University at Bloomington)
Music as a Transatlantic Tradition
- **April 17-18, 2009**
Suzanna Danuta Walters (Indiana University)
Lecture: The End of Coming Out
Interdisciplinary Symposium: Post-Race? Post-Gender? The Politics of Identity in Contemporary United States

Fall Term 2008/2009

- **January 13, 2009**
Uwikłani w tożsamość. Butler w Polsce
Dyskusja wokół polskiego wydania książki Judith Butler "Uwikłani w płęć" ("Gender Trouble") w tłumaczeniu Karoliny Krasuskiej (American Studies Center)
- **December 18, 2008**
Magdalena Kropiwnicka (Food and Hunger Policy Advisor, ActionAid International)
Hunger Back on the Global Agenda? Brazil Leads the Way
- **December 9, 2008**
Heinz Ickstadt (Freie Universität Berlin)
Constructing Self - Inventing the Other Race in 20th Century American Fiction
- **November 27, 2008**
Victor Ashe (U.S. Ambassador to Poland)
American Elections: The Role of Local Elites and Campaign Chairs
- **November 19, 2008**
Phil Ranstrom (documentary filmmaker)
Discussion on the documentary "Cheat You Fair: The Story of Maxwell Street"
- **November 4, 2008**
The ASC Election Night
- **October 22-24, 2008**
International Conference
The Past in the Present: The American Uses of History
- **October 21, 2008**
Carsten Junker (Humboldt University in Berlin)
Transatlantic Race Man: W.E.B. Du Bois

Spring Term 2007/2008

- **September 23, 2008**
Agnieszka Graff (ASC UW)
Anger, guilt, denial - the logic of "racial problem" in the U.S. in the context of upcoming presidential elections
- **May 19-21, 2008**
International Conference

Beyond Imagined Uniqueness: Nationalisms in Comparative Perspective

- **April 8, 2008**
Jennifer Ashton (University of Illinois at Chicago)
The Black Aesthetic and the Critique of Self-Expression in the 1960s: From Charles' Olson's 'Projective Verse' to LeRoi Jones's 'How You Sound?'
- **April 7, 2008**
Walter Benn Michaels (University of Illinois at Chicago)
The Trouble with Diversity
- **March 26, 2008**
Academic Conference
Stany Zjednoczone w świecie w perspektywie dwóch dekad
- **March 14, 2008**
Queer Studies Workshop
The Vagaries of Subjectivity: Queer Perspectives on Subject Formation and the Critique of Identity
- **March 11, 2008**
Celia Bense (University of Paris 8)
The Historical Context of "Tally's Corner"

Fall Term 2007/2008

- **December 8-9, 2007**
International Conference, organized by School of American Studies - Collegium Civitas and American Studies Center
Quo Vadis America?
- **December 7, 2007**
Lawrence R. Chamer
NATO in the 21st Century - Expectations and Challenges
Maintaining National Identity Within a Growing NATO
- **December 6, 2007**
Miles White (Charles University in Prague)
From Hip-Hop to Hardcore: Race, Representation and the New Culture of Masculinity
- **November 26, 2007**
Edward J. Kulakowski (Public Affairs Officer, U.S. Embassy in Warsaw)
Current Issues in U.S.-Polish Relations

- **November 17, 2007**
William D. Beercase (U.S. Air Force Academy)
Guest lecture
- **November 16-22, 2007**
Patrick B. Miller (Northeastern Illinois University)
The Culture of Reform in 1960s America
The Long Civil Rights Movement: Recent Perspectives
The Academic Experience in America
Goals and Strategies of Civil Rights Crusaders

Spring Term 2006/2007

- **September 25, 2007**
Ewa Grzeszczyk
Sebastian Gózdź
XI Festiwal Nauki: *HIP-HOP i elektrofunk w Stanach i nie tylko*
- **September 24, 2007**
Agnieszka Graff (ASC UW)
XI Festiwal Nauki: *Rasowe stereotypy w Stanach Zjednoczonych*
- **June 2, 2007**
Workshops
Researching and Teaching American History
- **May 17, 2007**
Cristanne Miller (University at Buffalo)
Edward H. Butler (University at Buffalo)
Modernism, Sexuality, and Performing the Female Body:
Marianne Moore and Else Lasker-Schüler
- **May 11, 2007**
William C. Pratt (University of Nebraska Omaha)
Place Makes a Difference: Region and Locale in American Culture
- **May 10, 2007**
Magdalena J. Zaborowska (University of Michigan)
From Baldwin's Paris to Benjamin's: The Architectonics of Race/Sex in "Giovanni's Room"
- **March 24, 2007**
Geert Hofstede (University of Maastricht)
Culture's Recent Consequences
- **March 15, 2007**
Robert Faulkner (Boston College)

Participant Observation and Improvisation: A View From the Band Stand

Fall Term 2006/2007

- **December 4, 2006**
David T. Morris (Political Officer, U.S. Embassy in Warsaw)
Current U.S. Foreign Policy Towards Iraq and Iran, and the War on Terror
- **November 2, 2006**
Academic Conference
American Studies: A Thirty Year Perspective Warsaw University
American Studies Center Anniversary Conference 1976-2006
- **October 18, 2006**
Richard Yarborough (University of California)
African American Writers and the Antislavery Struggle
- **October 17, 2006**
Academic Conference
American Model – Polish Reality
- **October 5, 2006**
Marianne Noble (American University)
The Role of Sentimentality as Category and its Political and Social Values in the 19th Century Fiction

Spring Term 2005/2006

- **August 29–30, 2006**
Seventh International Queer Studies Conference
Seeking Queer Alliances: Resisting Dominant Discourses and Institutions
- **April 26, 2006**
Academic Conference
Z Mariel do Miami — 25 lat po exodusie
- **March 18, 2006**
Academic Conference
American Poetry in Poland: Teaching, Translation, Reception
- **March 7–8, 2005**
Joint Conference
Comparative Perspectives on Race, Nationalism and the Politics of Memory. Poland and the United States

- **February 25-26, 2005**
Academic Conference
Religion, Law, Advertising, the Dilemmas of Contemporary Culture