Russian Studies Workshop, February 18-20, 2016

Thursday, Feb. 18, Sarimanok Room, Imin International Conference Center

[Breakfast 8:30-9:30]

Opening remarks: 9:15-9:45
Peter Arnade, Dean of the College of Arts and Humanities, and Jeff Carroll, Interim Dean of the College of Languages, Linguistics, and Literature

RUSSIA’S ASIAN CONNECTIONS

Session 1: 9:45-11:30

Chair: Matthew P. Romaniello (UHM History)
Scott Levi (Ohio State University), “Central Asia on the Frontier of Empires: Crisis and Transition”
Erika Monahan (University of New Mexico), “Bookworm, Business, Booster: In Search of Nicolaas Witsen”

[Lunch break]
Session II: 1:00-2:45

Chair: Kate Lingley (UHM Art History)
Alison Smith (University of Toronto), “Social Mobility in Eighteenth-Century Siberia”
Yulia Uryadova (Longwood University), “Fergana as Crossroads of Social and Political Anxiety”

[Coffee break]

Plenary (Session III): 3:30-4:30, Hamilton Rm. 306

Chair: Sveta Stoytcheva (UHM Library)
Amir Khisamutdinov (Far Eastern Branch of RAS), “The Study of Russia from the Center of the Pacific”

Friday, Feb. 19, Sarimanok Room, Inim International Conference Center

Session IV: 8:30-10:15

Chair: Matthew P. Romaniello (UHM History)
Janet Killan (Independent Scholar), “Fear and Loathing on the Kazakh Steppe: Russian and Kazakh trade with China, Bukhara, Khiva and Kokand in the 18th and 19th Centuries”
Tricia Starks (University of Arkansas), “Tobacco and the Image of the Empire in Late Imperial Russia”

[Coffee break]

Session V: 10:30-12:15

Chair: Wensheng Wang (UHM History)
Ilya Vinkovetsky (Simon Fraser University), “A Match Made in Kiakhta: Russian Merchants and Chinese Goods Prior to 1858”
Ryan Jones (University Auckland), “Vladimir Arsen’ev and Whales in Russia’s Revolutionary Far East”

[Lunch break]

During the Workshop, Hamilton Library has an special exhibit on “Railway Connections of the Far East,” on the fourth floor by the elevators. This exhibit features many rare items from the Russian and Northeast Asia Collection.
CHILDREN IN THE GREAT PATRIOTIC WAR

Session VI: 1:30 - 3:15
Chair: Anastasia Kostetskaya (UHM LLEA)
Marina Balina (Illinois Wesleyan University), “On Sons of Regiments and Pioneer Heroes: Formation of the WWII Childhood Canon”
Polina Barskova (Hampshire College), “Siege Childhood Written for Adults: The Curious Cases of Leonid Panteleev’s Short Stories and The Book of Blockade”

[Coffee break]

Session VII: 3:30-5:15
Chair: Joy Logan (UHM LLEA)
Lisa Kirschenbaum (West Chester University), “Resilient Children and the Great Patriotic War”
Julie deGraffenried (Baylor University), “Loving the (Mother)Land: The Natural World, Children’s Culture, and the Great Patriotic War”
Saturday, Feb. 20, Sarimanok Room, Imin International Conference Center

[Breakfast 8:15-8:45]

Session VIII: 8:45-10:30

Chair: Patricia Polansky (UHM Library)
Helena Goscilo (Ohio State University), “Visual Variations on Victimization: The Child’s Plight in WWII”
Alexander Prokhorov (College of William and Mary), “Demilitarizing Soviet Culture: Representations of Civilians in War Films of the 1940s and 50s”

Session IX: 10:30-12:15

Chair: Louis Bousquet (UHM LLEA)
Anastasia Kostetskaya (UHM), “A Stalingrader in Berlin: ‘Two cities reduced to rubble in my 18 year-old life and yet not a single scratch! Destiny!’ (An analysis of a teenage Ostarbeiter autobiographical memoir)”
Yasha Klots (Georgia Institute of Technology), “The Trinity of Martyrdom and Theodicy of Language in Varlam Shalamov’s ‘Mandelshtam Cycle’”

[Lunch Break]

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