

DDHR Program of Events

Friday, February 9

Afternoon (12 noon – 7:30pm)

Strong Hall – Atrium

12:00 noon – 5:00 PM - Registration Open

Strong Hall – Atrium – Scheduled Tours

12:00 noon to 1:30 PM – Ijams Nature Center Tour

2:00 PM to 3:30 PM – Tour the Department of Anthropology (Strong Hall)

3:45 PM to 5:00 PM – Tour the McClung Museum of Natural History and Culture

4:00 PM – 5:00 PM – Tour the Knoxville Botanical Gardens

4:00 PM – 5:00 PM – Tour Knox Whiskey Works

Strong Hall- Room 418- Workshop- Communicating with the Public

4:00 *Sarah Kendzior*

Strong Hall – Atrium – DDHR Welcome Reception & Poster Display

5:00 Human Rights to GIS for a Sustainable Culture and Reintroduction of Paleoplant Life
Mary Conroy

Perceptions of Immunizations in Female Mexican Immigrants in Oklahoma
Jennifer Doyle, Grant Rich, and Debra Wilson

Perceptions of Emergency Preparedness Among Immigrant Hispanics Living in
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma
Rebekah Doyle, David Anderson, and Shanna Barnett

UTK Student Poster Competition Entries

Strong Hall – Room 101

6:30 Opening Keynote Speaker

Fabio Lopez De la Roache, Professor, Universidad Nacional de Colombia, Director Instituto de Estudios Políticos y Relaciones Internacionales (IEPRI)

Peace Accord with FARC in Colombia: An Uncertain Process in the Midst of Political Polarization, Hatred, Fear and Hope

This presentation will emphasize the difficulties of the peace process with FARC and the political transition towards national reconciliation, related to the inheritance of hatred and fear left by an internal armed conflict of more than 50 years.

Special attention will be given to topics like forgiveness, memory of the armed conflict and the humanitarian crisis. Furthermore, this talk will examine the resilience or the ability to overcome trauma by the victims of war, in a society where the armed conflict left around 7 million forcefully displaced people, more than 200,000 dead and about 50,000 missing.

The speaker will accompany this presentation with photographic records of his authorship that will illustrate different phases and moments of the peace process between the government of Juan Manuel Santos and the Revolutionary Armed Forces of Colombia FARC, between 2012 and 2017.

Saturday, February 10

Morning (8:00am – 11:45am)

Strong Hall – Atrium

8:00 Registration Open and Light Breakfast

Session Block 1: 8:30am – 10:00am

Strong Hall 101 – Panel – *Human Responses to Natural Hazards and the Environment*

Chair: Kandace Hollenbach

8:30 Surviving the Storm: Impacts of Tornadoes on Identity

Ashley Allen

8:50 The Deluges of Yu the Great and Noah: a comparative analysis of the mythos and their philosophical implications on environmental hazards and disaster response

Lloyd Doyle

9:10 Suffering and Surviving: Disaster Narratives of Flood Experiences in Northern Haiti

Crystal Felima

9:30 Of Flooding and Farming: The Late Archaic to Early Woodland Transition in East Tennessee

Kandace Hollenbach, Jessie Johanson, and Stephanie Hacker

Strong Hall B001 – Panel - *Hurricanes and Beyond: Situating Community Impact and Recovery*

Chair: Caela O'Connell

8:30 Socioecological Disparities in Post-Katrina New Orleans

Michael Blum

8:50 Locations Where Tropical Cyclones Reach Their Maximum Intensities: Trends and Potential Human Impacts

Kelsey Ellis and Sarah Bleakney

9:10 A Tale of Two Disasters: The 2010 Earthquake and Hurricane Matthew in Haiti
Laura Wagner

9:30 Shoud I Stay or Should I Go? Hurricane Harvey and the Gulf Coast
Caela O'Connell, Kate Browne

Strong Hall 104 – Panel – *Strategic Implications of the Eritrean Refugee Crisis: Vulnerability: Uncertainty, Uneasiness*

Chair: Yacob Tekie

8:30 The trauma of cultural displacement and mental health crisis among Eritrean refugees
Yacob Tekie

8:50 Asylum and Resettlement in Diaspora: Eritreans in the US, Ethiopia, and Germany
Tricia Redeker Hepner

9:10 The State of Alternative Care for Unaccompanied Refugee Minors in Kenya
Shamm Petros

9:30 Evaluation of Psychosocial Support for Eritrean Refugees
Yohana Temesghen

10:00 – 10:15 Break - Coffee provided in Strong Hall Atrium

Session Block 2 – 10:15am – 11:45am

Strong Hall 101 – Panel - *Crises and Opportunities of Climate, People, and Communities*

Chair: Rebecca Zarger

10:15 The Anthropocene: Triumphal Transition or Disastrous Displacement?
Marcia Davitt

10:35 Socio-ecological crisis on the American Prairie and soybean frontier expansion in the Brazilian Cerrado
Andrew Ofstehage

10:55 Visual Scenarios and the Complexities of Translating and Responding to Risks from Climate Change in Tampa Bay, Florida
Rebecca Zarger

Strong Hall B001 – Panel – *The Intersection of Forensic Techniques and Human Rights*

Chair: Shari Ex

10:15 Consent Processes for Family Reference Samples in Mass Disasters and Missing Persons
Sara Katsanis and Amy Mundorff

10:35 Remote Sensing and Photogrammetry as a Tool For Human Rights Investigations

Jonathan Drake

10:55 The Significance of a Victim-centered Approach in Current Debates of Transitional Justice in Colombia: Reflections from Anthropological Fieldwork

Maria Alexandra Lopez Cerquera

11:15 Archaeological Migration Theory Applied to the U.S.-Mexico Border

Shari Ex

Strong Hall 104 – Round Table - *At the Intersection of Science and Sacredness: The Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act of 1990*

Chairs: Timothy Baumann, Holly Cusack-McVeigh, and Ellen Lofaro

11:45 – 1:15 LUNCH

Saturday, February 10

Afternoon (1:15pm – 4:30pm)

Session Block 3 – 1:15pm – 2:45pm

Strong Hall 101 – Panel – *Risk Mitigation: Looking Back and Planning Ahead*

Chair: Michael Palenchar

1:15 Managing the Unthinkable: Sea Level Rise as a Test of Global Civilization

David Anderson, Eric Kansa, Sarah Kansa, Kelsey Noack-Myers, Jolene Smith, Joshua Wells, Devin White, and Martin Walker

1:35 *Methods to Combine 200-year-old and 200-day-old Technologies to Document Cultural Resources Threatened by Anthropogenic Climate Changes*

Lindsey Cochran

1:55 Risk Mitigation as a Moral Undertaking in Modern Myanmar

Melyn McKay

2:15 Communicating with Transitional Risk Bearers: Risk, Resilience and Adaptation within an Infrastructural Approach to Risk Communication

Michael Palenchar

Strong Hall B001 – Panel – *Human Rights and Health During Displacement and Disasters*

Chair: Geeta Pandey

1:15 Displacing Environmental Refugees and Human Rights Defenders in Climate Change and Sustainable Development Contexts

Ratchada Arpornslip

- 1:35 Maternal Health Services for Refugee Populations: Exploration of Best Practices
Sarah DeYoung and Aishah Khan
- 1:55 The Untold Aftershocks: The Impact of Nepal's 2015 Earthquakes on Human Trafficking
Krista Nixon
- 2:15 Monitoring Human Rights of the Earthquake Affected Communities of Nepal
Geeta Pandey

Strong Hall 104 - Round Table – *Transitions in Social Justice Activism*
Chair: *Sekou Franklin*

1:15 *Krista Billingsley, Sekou Franklin, Melanie Barron, Bertin Louis, and Kimberly Peterson*

Strong Hall 103 - Round Table on Northern Uganda: Post Conflict Transition and Improper Burials
Chair: *Lucia Elgerud*

1:15 *Lucia Elgerud, Tricia Hepner, Dawnie Steadman, Jaymelee Kim, Julia Hanebrink, Hugh Tuller, Yohana Temesghen, Wilfred Komakech*

2:45 – 3:00 Break- coffee and refreshments provided in Strong Hall atrium

Session Block 4 – 3:00pm – 4:20pm

Strong Hall 101 – Panel - *Negotiating Transitions*
Chair: *Eric Schweickart*

3:00 Miskitu and Mestizo Colonial Legacies: Discourses on Political Participation in the Caribbean Coast of Nicaragua
Ellen Deluca and Bruno Baltodano

3:20 "Put us on an island in the middle of the Mediterranean" - Colonial Legacy
Lavinia Horner

3:40 A Country Divided: Colonization and The Impact of Transitions on the State of Rwanda
Rachel Ponder

4:00 Permanent Reconstruction in Richmond's Black Cemeteries
Adam Rosenblatt, Erin Hollaway Palmer, and Brian Palmer

4:20 Ecological Transformation, Fuel Wood Ratios, Colonialism and the Commodification of Forests in the Archaeological Record of the Eastern Woodlands
Eric Schweickart, Dan Webb, and Sierra Roark

Strong Hall B001 – Panel – *Social Responses to Crisis: Resistance, Compassion, and Absence*

Chair: Rosalind Hackett

3:00 The 2016 Gatlinburg Wildfire: Risk Perception and Limited Community Response
Henri Grissino-Mayer

3:20 Solidarity and Compassion during the Flood of 1910 in Paris
Claire Mayo

3:40 Civilian Self-Protection in War: Reframing the Research Agenda
Jason Stone

4:00 The Soundscape of War and Displacement in Northern Uganda
Rosalind Hackett

Strong Hall 104 - Round Table - *Immigration Enforcement and Potential Crises in the Making*

Chair: De Ann Pendry

3:00 *De Ann Pendry, Felicia Arriaga, Juan Jose Bustamante, Meghan Conley, Fran Ansley, and Eric Amarante*

Strong Hall 101 – Special Session – Current Events in DDHR – El Salvador

4:45 Legally Displaced: The Implications of Ending Temporary Protected Status for Salvadorans in the US

Joseph Wiltberger

In January, the US government announced that it would end a temporary protected status (TPS) for more than 200,000 Salvadorans in the US who had qualified for the program since a 2001 earthquake devastated their country. The termination of TPS would again displace individuals who initially fled instability and have since established new lives in the US. It would also displace the family members of TPS status Salvadorans, including US-born children of immigrants who would be expelled to a country foreign to them and known for its violence and insecurity. This presentation considers how TPS has shaped the lives of many Salvadoran-Americans in the US, as well as the implications that the move to end TPS has for Salvadoran-American families, for rethinking US immigration policies, and for mobilization around immigration policy reform.

5:30 Sponsored Happy Hour – Downtown Grill and Brewery (424 S Gay St., Knoxville, TN 37902)

Strong Hall 101 – *500 Years: Life in Resistance*

7:30 Movie screening and discussion with the film's narrator, Dr. Irma Alicia Velásquez Nimatuj

500 Years, released in 2017, covers events in Guatemala from 2013-2015, including the trial of General Efraín Ríos Montt, who was charged with genocide committed by the military while he was president during the early 1980s, resistance by Mayan and Ladino activists to large mining and dam projects, and the popular movement decrying government corruption that led to the resignation of President Otto Pérez Molina (also a general during the massacres).

Co-Sponsors for this event include Latin American and Caribbean Studies, and Phi Beta Kappa

Sunday, February 11

Morning (9:00am – 12:00 noon)

Strong Hall – Atrium

8:00 Registration Open and Light Breakfast

Session Block 5 – 9:00am – 10:30am

Strong Hall 101 – Panel - *Adapting to Displacement and Resettlement Through Community*

Chair: Israel Ortiz Rodriguez

9:00 Applying Autonomous Consultation to Mining-Induced Resettlement in Colombia's Coal Region
Emma Banks

9:20 Spontaneous Adaptation: Crisis as Avenue for Utility in Architectural Design
Christina Bouler

9:40 Self-organization and Post-disaster Adaptation of the "Coastal El Niño" Phenomenon 2017 in Brisas de Carapongo "A", Lima
Israel Ortiz Rodriguez

Strong Hall B001 – Panel – *Challenges and Opportunities: Rooted in Community*

Chair: Lauren Ziegler

9:00 Combating Youth Homelessness in Knoxville
Shawn Griffith

9:20 Education, Democracy and the Human Rights Project in India
Rebecca Klenk

9:40 Landscape Memories: Urban Renewal and Racialization in Knoxville, Tennessee
Anne Victoria

10:00 International Norms in Foreign Policy: The Correlation Between the War on Terror and the Rise of the Refugee Crisis in the Horn of Africa
Lauren Ziegler

Strong Hall 103 – Panel – *Power of Beliefs: Perception, Identity, and Care*

Chair: Mac Archer

9:00 Culturally Relative Kindness

Mac Archer

9:20 Security and Compassion: Bridging the Gaps of the Refugee Crisis

Kayla Davis

9:40 Deterritorialized Transnationalism: Ethnic Identity Formation Process and the Adaptive Strategies of Meskhetian Turks in the U.S.

Huyla Dogan

10:00 Exploring the Role of Churches in Missing Migrants Identification

Richard Phillips and Sarah Katsanis

Strong Hall 104 – Round Table – *Critical Disaster Studies - Recentering Power in Disaster Studies*

Chair: Raja Swamy

9:00 *Raja Swamy, Roberto Barrios, Thomas Tran, Nikhilendu Deb, Louise Seamster.*

Solange Muñoz, Wilfred Komakech, Solange Muñoz.

10:20 – 10:30 Break - Coffee provided in Strong Hall Atrium

Strong Hall 101

10:30 Closing Keynote Speaker:

Kim Tallbear, Associate Professor, Faculty of Native Studies, University of Alberta

Caretaking Relations, No American Dreaming: #IdleNoMore, #BlackLivesMatter, and #NoDAPL

In this talk, I examine the caretaking of relations that I see embodied in several recent social movements led by women, two-spirit, and queer people. #IdleNoMore, #NoDAPL, and #BlackLivesMatter are commonly understood as environmental and/or social justice/anti-racist movements that call settler-colonial states, including the US and Canada, to make good on their treaty promises or civil and human rights law, to live up to their supposed dreams of liberty and inclusion. Since 2012, I have watched these movements unfold. Looming large in my vision fed by the 24-hour news cycle and more importantly by friends and colleagues on the ground of those movements and on social media, is Indigenous and black women and queer people caretaking their peoples. In the case of Indigenous-led movements, I also see a caretaking of other-than-human kin, the land and water—*all our relations*. In this moment of crisis and transition—new to some but ongoing for many—is an opportunity to unsettle the American Dream that brings violence to so many at home and abroad. Turning our redemptive attention away from empire to instead focus on caretaking relations defies a foundational settler-colonial narrative—that nature/culture binary that puts humans at the top of a hierarchy of life, and white men and the top of that. American dreaming is rooted in a vision that cannot see bodies in

mutually sustaining relation. Rather, it objectifies black and brown bodies, women's bodies, land and water bodies, and many bodies on down its hierarchy. The usually white men at the top—be they clergy, statesmen, or scientists—have long viewed it as their civilized prerogative to alternately exploit or steward all life forms. Their narratives have scripted this world in crisis. This talk proposes another productive story in its stead.

Sponsored Guests

Fabio López De la Roche

Fabio López de la Roche is a historian who in 1984 completed his BA and MA in Universal History at the Peoples' Friendship University of Russia. In 1993 he finished a Masters in the Analysis of Contemporary Political and International Affairs at the Universidad Externado in Bogotá, Colombia. Since 1996, López is an Associate Professor of the National University of Colombia in Bogotá, at the Institute of Political Studies and International Relations IEPRI, where he coordinates the Research Group called "Communication, Culture and Citizenship" recognized by Colciencias. In 2009 he obtained his PhD in Hispanic Languages and Literatures from the University of Pittsburgh, in the area of Cultural Studies. López de la Roche is a member of the academic team that in 2005 created the Master's Program in Cultural Studies at the National University. Between 2002 and 2003, he was Director of the Institute of Studies in Communication and Culture IECO, of the same university. From 2010 to 2014 he directed the Master's Program in Cultural Studies at the National University and, since November 2014, he is the Director of the Institute of Political Studies and International Relations – IEPRI, of the National University of Colombia.

López de la Roche has written numerous articles about Colombian political and cultural history during the 20th century. Since 1994, he has worked in the field of communication and mass media analysis, integrating interdisciplinary perspectives of political studies, media history, sociology, social communication and journalism, in the analysis of political and cultural influence of the media.

His publications include: *Izquierdas y cultura política. Oposición alternativa?* (The Left and political culture. Alternative opposition?) 1994; *Cultura, medios y sociedad* (Culture, media and society) (with Jesús Martín-Barbero), 1998; *Modernidad y sociedad política en Colombia* (Modernity and political society in Colombia) (with Eduardo Pizarro, and Miguel Eduardo Cárdenas), 1993; *Memoria, museo y nación. Misión de los museos nacionales para los ciudadanos del future* (Memory, museum and nation. The mission of national museums for the citizens of the future) (Gonzalo Sánchez et al.), 2002; "El periodismo: ese relegado objeto de estudio y de debate ciudadano,"; (Journalism: that relegated object of study and of citizen debate) in *Diálogos de la Comunicación*, 66 (Lima) 2003.

López de la Roche is co-author of the book *Avances en los procesos de democratización de la comunicación en América Latina* (Advances in the processes of democratization of communication in Latin America) (CLACSO, Buenos Aires, 2013). His last book, published in 2014 by Penguin Random House and IEPRI is titled: *Las ficciones del poder. Patriotismo, medios de comunicación y reorientación afectiva de los colombianos bajo Uribe Vélez (2002-2010)* (Fictions of power. Patriotism, media and affective reorientation of Colombians under Uribe Vélez (2002-2010)).

In the last five years López de la Roche has been dedicated to the analysis of the peace process between the government of Juan Manuel Santos and the FARC and the role of journalism and mass media in the communication of such process.

Kim Tallbear

Kim TallBear is Associate Professor, Faculty of Native Studies, University of Alberta, and Canada Research Chair in Indigenous Peoples, Technoscience & Environment. She is building a research hub in Indigenous Science, Technology, and Society. Follow them at www.IndigenousSTS.com and [@indigenous_sts](https://twitter.com/indigenous_sts). TallBear is author of *Native American DNA: Tribal Belonging and the False Promise of Genetic Science* (University of Minnesota Press, 2013). Her Indigenous STS work recently turned to also address decolonial and Indigenous sexualities. She founded a University of Alberta arts-based research lab and co-produces the sexy storytelling show, *Tipi Confessions*, sparked by the popular Austin, Texas show, *Bedpost Confessions*. Building on lessons learned with geneticists about how race categories get settled, TallBear is working on a book that interrogates settler-colonial commitments to settlement in place, within disciplines, and within monogamous, state-sanctioned marriage. She is a citizen of the Sisseton-Wahpeton Oyate in South Dakota. She tweets [@KimTallBear](https://twitter.com/KimTallBear) and [@CriticalPoly](https://twitter.com/CriticalPoly).

Dr. Irma Alicia Velásquez Nimatuj

Dr. Irma Alicia Velásquez is Maya K'iche' from Guatemala. After working for several years as a journalist in Guatemala, she earned her master's and Ph.D. in anthropology at the University of Texas at Austin. She has been active in the indigenous rights movement for many years. Since 2005 she has been working as an activist and researcher with various non-governmental organizations in Guatemala, in addition to periodically teaching classes in Guatemala, and at Scripps College, the University of Texas and Duke University.

Joseph Wiltberger

Joseph Wiltberger holds a Ph.D. in Anthropology from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. Focusing on the experience of Salvadoran and other Central American migrants and refugees, his research interests center on the cultural, political, and economic transformations that surround international migration. His academic publications and presentations have discussed the role of migrants' remittances in shaping perspectives on development in El Salvador; transitory Central American migration through Mexico; and transnational perspectives on U.S. immigration policies, from immigrant detention and border enforcement practices to the recent rise of local immigration enforcement initiatives and deportations. His external awards and academic recognitions include a Visiting Fellowship at the University of Notre Dame's Kellogg Institute for International Studies (2013-2014), the Roseberry-Nash Award from the Society for Latin American and Caribbean Anthropology (2012), and research funding awards from the Inter-American Foundation (2010-2011), the National Science Foundation (2008-2009), and the Social Science Research Council (2008-2009). Among several internal awards, he was selected as the College of Humanities Faculty Research Fellow at California State University Northridge (2015-2016).

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