Dear Members of HOAN,

This is HOAN’s 11th circular to inform you and 200 other members of HOAN about developments regarding the History of Anthropology Network within EASA. We report on 1. Past events; 2. Upcoming events, 3. Recent publications; 4. Recent contributions to BEROSE International Encyclopaedia of the Histories of Anthropology; and 5. Restitution.

1. Past events


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The 7th APA Conference in Lisbon, Portugal, 4-7 June 2019 included a Panel on “Rescued genealogies: pathways for a historiography of World Anthropologies.” The panel convenors, Patrícia Ferraz de Matos (ICS – Universidade de Lisboa) and Frederico Delgado Rosa (Universidade NOVA de Lisboa, CRIA) called attention to risks underlying the World Anthropologies paradigm, i.e., the presumption of fundamental epistemological idiosyncrasies in non-Western or “peripheral” Western countries following a process of Otherising that may lead to their ghettoisation. The existence of deep historical connections between these and so-called major traditions was highlighted by seven case studies, e.g., on the Mozambican Samba Kimango in New York of the 1920s, the Italian Lamberto Loria resorting to Notes and Queries on Anthropology in Melanesia during the 1880s and 1890s, Brazilian anthropologists such as Arthur Ramos who were involved in profound modern dialogues with North-American or French anthropologists during the 1930s, 40s and 50s. The panel's discussant, Cristiana Bastos (ICS – Universidade de Lisboa), welcomed the expression “rescued genealogies” for a disciplinary past “that cannot be reduced to colonialism, since it was a reinvention of humankind beyond stereotypes, in dialogue with art and literature.” As much as anthropology is the daughter of the Enlightenment, it is also “the daughter of Surrealism,” she added in reference to several of the above-mentioned connections. Anthropological circulations, Cristiana Bastos concluded, should not be thought of in diffusionist terms, as sand spreading to the borders, because it is never that clear who influences whom most. Papers: A letter from Lady Frazer to Lévy-Bruhl (or the feminine side of the history of “Franco-British” anthropology), Luís Felipe Sobral (Universidade de São Paulo (USP, Fapesp); Peripheral traditions at the core of modern anthropology: Lamberto Loria’s fieldwork in British New Guinea twenty years before Malinowski, Fabiana Dimpflmeier (La Tuscia University of Viterbo, Italy; IRIAE: The International Research Institute of Archaeology and Ethnology); Cosmopolitan dialogues: the Mozambican ethnography of Franz Boas, Lorenzo Macagno (Departamento de Antropologia/Universidade Federal do Paraná, UFPR, Brazil); A Humanist Trace: Critical reception and reassessment of Edward Sapir's “Culture, Genuine and Spurious”, Ricardo Santos Alexandre
2. Upcoming events

Workshop in Paris: Missionaries as the First Anthropologists? 14 June 2019 Les missionnaires, premiers anthropologues ? Retours sur une idée reçue. Venue: 14 juin, salle Alphonse Dupront, 10 rue Monsieur le Prince 13.00 h - 19.30 h, organized by Pierre-Antoine Fabre, EHESS: pierre-antoine.fabre@ehess.fr. This encounter addresses two questions rarely posed together. On the one hand, what are the limits of a judgment often pronounced on the agents of modern evangelization as producers of proto-ethnological, even proto-anthropological knowledge? Why was it possible to formulate this judgment and how can we benefit from it today for our own epistemological reflections? On the other, what have been the patterns of the relations between the activities of Catholic or Protestant missionaries and those of ethnologists and anthropologists in the field, both in the second colonization and the decolonization periods? What are the analogies and crossovers between their different ways of doing things and their forms of knowledge? Pierre Antoine Fabre: “Missionaries and anthropologists: crossed destinies (16th-21st centuries)”; Charlotte de Castelnau-Lestoile: “Studying living books” Jesuit knowledge about men; Capuchin Boidin: “Ara poru aguyjei (1759): reading and practice of spiritual exercises by the Indians of the Jesuit missions in Paraguay?”; Irene Favier: “Catholic missionary anthropology in turmoil: the years 1968 in the Upper Peruvian Maraño”; Elise Capredon: Anthropology seen and practiced by evangelical missionaries: an analysis based on Amazonian surveys; André Mary: “Leenhardt's African tour (1922-23): missionary implantation and colonial evangelism.”


Two-day conference in commemoration of the former director of the Musée national des Arts et Traditions Populaires, where he served as conservateur en chef (1968-1988), the Centre d’ethnologie française, which he directed (1968-1986), and the journal Ethnologie française, which he edited. Program:

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Conference in São Paulo, Brazil, 1-5 July 2019. Archives, Collections and Practices of Knowledge-Making: Histories of Anthropology. Department of Anthropology (FFLCH-USP)/Department of Anthropology (IFCHUnicamp). BBM - Mindlin’s Library (Brasilia), USP-University City – SESC Research and Formation Center. Lead Organizers: Prof. Christiano Tambascia (UNICAMP) and Prof. Fernanda Arêas Peixoto (USP). This conference aims to launch a reflection on anthropological archives and collections in order to retrieve histories of anthropology, shedding new light on the discipline, its practices and procedures. It is not a matter of a technical discussion about archives, but rather of instigating a theoretical and methodological reflection on the archives – their uses and the issues unfolded by them – favouring, in this sense, a wide debate about forms, technologies, and politics of knowledge.

1. Burning archives: Antonio Augusto Arantes (Unicamp); Olívia Cunha (Museu Nacional/UFRJ); org: Paulo Iumatti (IEB-USP);
2. Anthropological collections: challenges and perspectives: Richard Price (College of William & Mary); Sally Price (College of William & Mary); Kevin Yelvington (University of Florida); Rodrigo Ramassote (IPHAN-Brasília); org: Luíz Gustavo Freitas Rossi (UNICAMP);
3. Arquives tell tales: H. Glenn Penny (University of Iowa); Wayne Modest (Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam); Mariana Françoz (Universiteit Leiden); Julia Goyatá (USP); org: Christiano Tambascia (UNICAMP);
4. Collections and histories of Anthropology: Nélia Dias (Universidade Nova de Lisboa); Luíz Felipe Sobral (USP); Michael Kraus (Universität Göttingen); org: Fernanda Arêas Peixoto (USP);
5. Anthropologists in the archives: practices and forms of knowledge: Christiano Tambascia e Luíz Gustavo Freitas Rossi (UNICAMP); Frederico Delgado Rosa (CRIA NOVA FCSH); Gino Satta (Università Aldo Moro, Bari); Fernanda Arêas Peixoto (USP); org: Luíz Felipe Sobral (USP);
6. Sound and visual archives: Aristoteles Barcelos Neto (University of East Anglia, Norwich, UK); Xavier Gilles Vatin (UFRB); Marco Antonio Gonçalves (UFRJ); Paula Morgado Lopes (LISA – USP); org: Nathanael Araújo da Silva (UNICAMP);
7. Management and circulation of archives: Elizabeth Martins Ribas (IEB-USP); Neil Safier (John Carter Brown Library, Brown University); Véronique Parmentier (Archivistes sans frontières); Márcia Chuva (IPHAN); org: Pedro Galdino (USP);
8. Shared collections: Laura van Broekhoven (Pitt Rivers Museum); Alexandre de Oliveira Gomes (UFPE); Fabiola Andrea Silva (MAE-USP); Luísa Valentini (USP); org: Mariana Françozo (Universiteit Leiden).

Preliminary program:
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HOAN_Newsletter_11e_Conference_Sao_Paulo-201907

3. Recent publications – with highly appreciated contributions by our correspondents, especially Dmitry Arzyutov (Stockholm) and Christine Laurière (Paris)


PDF:
See Resources (Newsletter No. 11):
HOAN_Newsletter_11f_Special_Issue_Cahen_Matos-2019


See Resources (Newsletter No. 11):

HOAN_Newsletter_11g_Book_Lauriere_Mary-2019


4. Recent contributions to BEROSE International Encyclopaedia of the Histories of Anthropology (April-June 2019):


Geisenhainer, Katja, 2019. « An Ethnologist “With a Passionate Interest”: Biography of Erika Sulzmann, from the National Socialist Era to the German Federal Republic »

Koffer, Blanka, 2019. « More a Contribution to Scholarship than to Ideology? The Academic Biography of German Anthropologist Irmgard Sellnow »

Vermeulen, Han F., 2019. « Gerhard Friedrich Müller et la genèse de l’ethnographie en Sibérie »


Ortiz García, Carmen, 2019. « Esclavage, racisme et culture afrocubaine : vie, œuvre et combat de Fernando Ortiz »

Silla, Rolando, 2019. « El origen de una etnología fenomenológica en Argentina: Biografía de Marcelo Bórmida »


Gray, Geoffrey, 2019. “Une figure d’importance”. Vie et œuvre de Siegfried Frederick Nadel


5. Restitution of Cultural Heritage

Schlothauer, Andreas (Berlin)


To repeat from our 10th newsletter: the provenance and restitution of cultural material heritage is a genuine subject of interest for the history of anthropology. We invite members of HOAN to share ideas and information from their respective countries/networks on these issues.

Best wishes for the summer!

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