

Dissections Spring 2015

These seminars aim to provide an opportunity to share empirical research and theoretical framings in order to push forward scholarly debate on the Middle East and North Africa (MENA) region.

All seminar participants are asked to read the paper in advance of the meeting. The presenter will be given five to ten minutes to summarize the main points or problems of the paper and contextualize it, after which a discussant will present a ten to fifteen minute comment to help initiate a full discussion. Participants in the seminar includes a select, interdisciplinary group of junior and senior faculty and graduate students who are engaged or interested in studies on body, space and time in the Middle East and North Africa.

1. **Friday, March 27, 2015, 11 am to 1 pm**, MEMEAC Seminar Room (6304.23), Prof. Rosie Bsheer (History, Yale) will present her paper, "Crude Imaginations: Capitalism, Space, and the Politics of History in Saudi Arabia," and Prof. Mandana Limbert (Anthropology, Queens and GC, CUNY) will be the discussant (organized by Spencer Bastedo).
2. **Friday, April 24, 2015, 11 am to 1 pm**, MEMEAC Seminar Room (6304.23), Prof. M'Hamed Oualdi (History, Princeton) will present his paper entitled, "Slave to Modernity? General Ḥusayn's Journey from Tunis to Tuscany (1830s-1880s)," and Prof. Francesca Bregoli (History, Queens and Center for Jewish Studies, The Graduate Center) will be the discussant (organized by Chris Rominger).
3. **Friday, May 1, 2015, 11 am to 1 pm**, MEMEAC Seminar Room (6304.23), Prof. Dina Rizk Khoury (History, George Washington University) will present her paper entitled, "Reflections on imperial, colonial and post-colonial citizenship in Iraq," and Prof. Sara Pursley (Princeton) will be the discussant (organized by Jeremy Randall).

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