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Finding Expression in Contested Public Spaces Free Speech Conference 2019

Virginia Dare Room, Alumni House ❖ Free Admission



October 24, 2019 7 pm - 9 pm
Tribalism, Voicelessness, and the Problem of Free Speech
Keynote Speaker: Dr. Eric King Watts, UNC Chapel Hill

October 25, 2019 8 am – 3 pm
Panel discussions, performances, and activist contributions on current issues and debates

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THURSDAY - 10/24/19

7:00 pm-9:00 pm: Keynote Address

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FRIDAY - 10/25/19

8:00 am-8:50 am: Pedagogy and the 1st Amendment

Moderator: Dr. Spoma Jovanovic, UNCG Department of Communication Studies

Welcome Remarks

Dr. John Kiss, UNCG Dean of the College of Arts & Sciences

Music as Communication Activism: Educating for Freedom Through an Interdisciplinary Service-Learning Project

Mark Congdon Jr. and Lamera Palmer, The College of Saint Rose

Video Games as Free Speech: Reproducing Inequalities and Pushing Justice to the Margins

Marina Lambrinou, UNC Greensboro and Yacine Kout, University of North Georgia

9:00 am-9:50 am: Academic Freedom & Campus Free Speech

Moderator: Michael Frierson, UNCG Chapter of AAUP

Civility: Soft Representation of Academic Freedom and the Far-Right

Dana Cloud, Independent Scholar

The First Amendment and the NC Campus Free Speech Act: Their Application to Public Universities in North Carolina

Jerry Blakemore, UNC Greensboro

Circumventing the Clear and Present Danger Test

Craig Smith, California State University, Long Beach

10:00 am-10:50 am: Contested Public Spaces

Moderator: Holly Williams, UNCG Department of Communication Studies

Legislating Memory: Accommodating Contestations of Public Monuments

Laura Ricciardi, State University of New York at Purchase College

Social Power and the Right to the City: Homelessness, Access to Public Space, Activism and the

First Amendment

Marcus Hyde, UNC Greensboro and Gary Kenton and Zalonda Woods, Community Members

Activists Video of Greensboro grassroots leaders funded by UNCG-Mellon Foundation

11:00 am-11:50 am: Boundaries of Free Speech and Expression

Moderator: Dr. Roy Schwartzman, UNCG Department of Communication Studies

Greensboro, 1963: Mass Nonviolence at the Boundaries of Free Speech

Thomas Jackson, UNC Greensboro

Money, Speech, and Power: Participatory Budgeting as a Path to Free Expression in Public Spending

Vincent Russell and Therese Gardner, University of Colorado, Boulder

Speakers' Corners Around the World

Spoma Jovanovic, UNC Greensboro

1:00 pm-1:50 pm: Violence, Hate, Control of Free Speech

Moderator: Verity Wilcher, UNCG Department of Communication Studies

Identity and Free Speech: African-American Women's Social Justice Rhetoric

Sarah Hollingsworth, Oklahoma State University

Balancing the Goods of Speech In a Postmodern Historical Moment

David Errera, Duquesne University

A Safe Space for the White Race: An Interrogation of White Nationalist Propaganda on College Campuses

Gabriel Cruz, High Point University and Patrick Sawyer, UNC Greensboro

2:00 pm-2:50 pm: Talking about Race

Moderator: Doris Wesley, UNCG Department of Communication Studies

Performatively Unpacking the Race Talk

Sonny Kelly and Elizabeth M. Melton, UNC Chapel Hill