

International Workshop:

1948 in Palestine and Israel: New Approaches and Interpretations

Oct 4-Oct 6, 2018

Thursday, October 4

16:00-17:30

Exploring Palestinian and Hebrew Literature
seminar with Anton Shammas and Hannan Hever
Herter Hall 601

19:00

Dinner at Osteria Vespa (28 Amity St, Amherst)

Friday, October 5

07:30

Shuttle pick up at Holiday Inn Express (400 Russell St, Hadley)

07:50

Shuttle pick up at Amherst Inn (257 Main St, Amherst)

07:55

Shuttle pick up at Allen House (599 Main St, Amherst)

08:10

Shuttle drop off at IHGMS/Breakfast

08:30

Welcome/opening remarks

09:00-10:45

I. Imagining Partition

Laila Parsons: *The Secret Testimony to the Peel Commission*

Shira Wilkof: *Planning Partition: Zionist Spatial Experts and Separatist Imagination in Mandate Palestine*

10:45-11:00

Break

11:00-12:45

II. Erasures

Laura Robson: *Proto-refugees? Palestinians and the concept of statelessness before 1948*

Alon Confino: *Paradise and Dreams in Palestine and the Land of Israel, 1948*

12:45-13:45

Lunch

13:45-15:30

III. Displacements

Dmitry Shumsky: *David Ben-Gurion, the Holocaust, and the Road to the Nakba*

Omer Bartov: *The Return of the Displaced: Ironies of the Jewish-Palestinian Nexus, 1939-1949*

16:30-18:30

1948: To De-Nakbafy Sanat al-Ihtilāl, "The Year of Occupation"

keynote talk by Anton Shammas

Herter Hall 601

- 18:30 Shuttle pick up at Herter Hall, drop off at Alon Confino's home
- 19:00 Dinner at Alon Confino's home
- 21:30 Shuttle pick up from Alon's home, drop offs at Allen House,
Amherst Inn, Holiday Inn Express

Saturday, October 6

- 07:30 Shuttle pick up at Holiday Inn Express
- 07:50 Shuttle pick up at Amherst Inn
- 07:55 Shuttle pick up at Allen House
- 08:10 Shuttle drop off at IHGMS/Breakfast
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- 8:30-10:15 **I. Economy and citizenship along ethno-national lines**
Lauren Banko: *Re-assessing the meaning of citizenship on the eve of conflict*
Fredrik Meiton: *The Non-Electrification of Nablus*
- 10:15-10:30 Break
- 10:30-11:30 **War Stories of Ordinary Soldiers**
Shay Hazkani: *1948 from Below: Welcome to Palestine—What Brings You Here*
- 11:30-11:45 Break
- 11:45-13:30 **II. Literary Intersections 1**
Sadia Agsous: *Nakba and the Metaphorical Exile in the Palestinian Literature in Israel*
Maurice Ebileeni: *When the Exile Brings a Key: The Poetics of Palestinian "Homecomings"*
- 13:30-14:15 Lunch
- 14:15-16:00 **III. Literary Intersections 2**
Hannan Hever: *From Revenge to Empathy: Abba Kovner from Hurben to Palestinian Destruction*

Uri Cohen: *The Three Wars of '48*
- 16:00-16:15 Break

16:15-17:15	1948 and After Yael Zerubavel: <i>1948 and the Israeli Embrace of the "Besieged Island" Template</i>
17:15-18:30	Concluding session
18:30	Shuttle pick up at IHGMS, drop off at Lord Jeffrey Inn
19:00-21:00	Dinner at Lord Jeffrey Inn, 30 Boltwood Ave, Amherst
21:00	Shuttle pick up at Lord Jeffrey Inn, drop offs at Allen House, Amherst Inn, Holiday Inn Express