
Conference on
Fundamentalism and Literature
global/local
Westfälische Wilhelms-Universität Münster
19–22 November 2006

Programme

Sunday, 19 November 2006

15.00–16.30

Registration

16.30–19.00

Discussion Evening and Conference Warming

Kirpal SINGH, *Singapore (Chair)*

Khademul ISLAM, *Bangladesh*

Maurice LEE, *USA*

Alfred Krip YUSON, *Philippines*

Goenawan MOHAMAD, *Indonesia*

Chris SHITLER, *Singapore*

from 19.30

Conference Warming/Dinner

Monday, 20 November 2006

9.00–11.00

Registration

10.00–11.00

Opening Ceremony

11.00–12.00

Keynote Lecture:

Caryl PHILLIPS, *West Indies/UK*

12.00–14.30

Apéritif and Lunch with Music and Poetry

Glyn MAXWELL, *UK*

14.30–15.15

Keynote Lecture:

Gareth GRIFFITHS, *Australia*

15.15–15.45

Coffee Break

15.45–18.15

Parallel Sessions (A) and (B)

Session (A): Britain

(Chair: to be confirmed)

15.45–16.05 Patricia PLUMMER, *University of Mainz, Germany:*

‘A very great part of Asia is infected with that pestilence’: The Perpetuation of Anti-Muslim Stereotypes in Early Modern Discourse on Travel

16.05–16.25 Sonja FIELITZ, *University of Marburg, Germany:*

‘The Bible Says So’: Female Prophets During the English Civil War

16.25–16.45 *Discussion*

16.45–17.15 *Coffee Break*

17.15–17.35 Hiroko WASHIZU, *University of Tsukuba, Japan:*

William Whewell: The ‘Scientist’ and the Design of the Universe

Session (B): America

(Chair: to be confirmed)

Hager WESLATI, *University of Manouba, Tunisia:*

Empires of Sand: The Theologico-political Alliance and the Foundation of Fundamentalism in Desert Cultures

Alfred HORNUNG, *University of Mainz, Germany:*

Fundamentalism and Democracy

Discussion

Coffee Break

Ana Antón PACHECO, *University of Madrid, Spain:*

Political Essentialism and Neoconservatism in America: Dramatic Responses

17.35–17.55	Rüdiger AHRENS, <i>University of Würzburg, Germany:</i> Equity as Fundamental Ethical Principle in Colonial and Post-colonial Literatures: the Case of J. Conrad, E.M. Forster and More	Silke BINIAS, <i>University of Duisburg, Germany:</i> Causes and Effects: Islamic and Christian Fundamentalisms in Poetic Responses to September 11
17.55–18.15	Discussion	Discussion
20.00–21.30	<i>Jewish Writers' Perspectives on Fundamentalism: Reading and Discussion</i> Axel STÄHLER, <i>University of Münster (Chair)</i> Simon LOUVISH, <i>UK</i> Miriam SIVAN, <i>Israel</i> Jonathan WILSON, <i>USA</i>	

Tuesday, 21 November 2006

8.30–9.30	<i>Reading and Talk (Chair: to be confirmed):</i> Richard Louis, <i>Indonesia</i>	
9.30–10.00	<i>Coffee Break</i>	
10.00–13.00	<i>Parallel Sessions (C) and (D)</i>	
10.00–10.20	<i>Session (C): Britain</i> (Chair: to be confirmed)	<i>Session (D): Asia</i> (Chair: to be confirmed)
10.20–10.40	Wendy O'SHEA MEDDOUR, <i>St. Hilda's, Oxford, UK:</i> Fundamentalism and Belonging in British Fiction	Dewi CANDRANINGRUM, <i>University of Münster, Germany:</i> Helvy Tiana Rosa's Campaign for the Islamic Brotherhood (Ummah) and the Return to the Total Islam (Kaffah) in her three short stories – <i>Jaring-Jaring Merah, Maut di Kamp Loka and Hingga Batu</i>
10.40–11.00	Catherine PESSO-MIQUEL, <i>University of Paris Sorbonne, France:</i> 'Gobbledygook is back in style': the Portrayal of Religious Fundamentalism in Salman Rushdie's Essays and Contemporary Indo-English Fiction	Lotta STRANDBERG, <i>University of Helsinki, Finland:</i> Contesting History – Githa Hariharan's <i>In Times of Siege</i> Monica CHAN, <i>Lignan University, Hong Kong:</i> Arundhati Roy and Hindu Fundamentalism in <i>The God of Small Things</i>
11.00–11.30	Discussion	Discussion
11.30–12.00	<i>Coffee Break</i>	
12.00–12.20	Frédéric REGARD, <i>École Normale Supérieure de Saint-Cloud, Paris/Lyon:</i> Humanism Restylized: Rushdie's <i>Satanic Verses</i> and the Resurrection of the Author	Melanie JUST, <i>University of Münster:</i> 'In their proper places': Hindu Women between Religious Fundamentalism and Western Secularism in Chitra Banerjee

		Divakaruni's <i>Sister of My Heart</i> and Jaishree Misra's <i>Ancient Promises</i> Jana FEDTKE, <i>University of Bochum, Germany:</i>
12.20–12.40	Barry ASKER, <i>Lignan University, Hong Kong:</i> Fighting for What's Fundamental: Salman Rushdie, V.S. Naipaul, Ngugi wa Thiong'o, Michael Ondaatje, Nadine Gordimer, Zadie Smith and Hanif Kureishi	Women Who Walk on <i>Water</i> : Bapsi Sidhwa's and Deepa Mehta's Elemental Challenge to Transnational Hindu Fundamentalism
12.40–13.00	Discussion	Discussion
13.00–14.30	Lunch Break	
14.30–15.15	Keynote Lecture Ihab HASSAN, <i>USA:</i> A Terrible Simplicity is Born: Fifteen Rocks in the Gardens of Violence	
15.15–18.15	Parallel Sessions (E) and (F)	
	Session (E): Britain (Chair: to be confirmed)	Session (F): Global (Chair: to be confirmed)
15.15–15.35	Bernfried NUGEL, <i>University of Münster, Germany:</i> 'That Hideous Kind of Fundamentalism': Aldous Huxley's View of 'Righteous Indignation'	James SKIDMORE, <i>University of Waterloo, Ontario, Canada:</i> Mennonite Fundamentalism and Canadian Literature
15.35–15.55	Ulrike PIRKER, <i>University of Freiburg, Germany:</i> Private Matters under Public Scrutiny: The Treatment of Arranged Marriages in Recent British Literature	Barbara KORTE, <i>University of Freiburg, Germany:</i> Fundamentalism and Apocalypse
15.55–16.15	Mária VEGA, <i>University of Madrid, Spain:</i> Scots and Scots – Gaelic Literatures which might be considered Fundamentalist Writing and are NOT	Helga RAMSEY-KURZ, <i>University of Salzburg, Germany:</i> Querying the Problematic Equation of Fundamentalism and Terrorism: <i>Due Preparations for the Plague</i> by Janette Turner Hospital
16.15–16.45	Discussion	Discussion
16.45–17.15	Coffee Break	Coffee Break
17.15–17.35		John C. HAWLEY, <i>Santa Clara University, USA:</i> Jihad as Right of Passage
17.25–17.55		Layi OLA, <i>University of Ibadan, Nigeria:</i> Angst and the Wellspring of Fundamentalism in Selected African Writings
17.55–18.15		Discussion

Wednesday, 22 November 2006

8.30–9.15

Keynote Lecture

Christopher INNES, *University of York, Toronto, Ontario, Canada:*
Terrorists on Stage: Dialogue, Dualities and Drama

9.15–9.45

Coffee Break

9.45–12.15

Parallel Sessions (G) and (H)

Session (G): Britain

(Chair: to be confirmed)

9.45–10.05 Flaminia NICORA, *University of Bergamo, Italy:*

Resisting Fundamentalism: Kureishi's rhetorical strategies as critique

10.05–10.25 Jessica OLIVER, *Queens University, Kingston, Ontario, Canada:*

Truth in Black and White:

Representations of Fundamentalism in Zadie Smith's *White Teeth* and Hanif Kureishi's *The Black Album*

10.25–10.45 **Discussion**

10.45–11.15 **Coffee Break**

11.15–11.35 Marion FRIES-DIECKMANN, *University of Düsseldorf, Germany:*

Fundamentalism and the Narrative:

Jeanette Winterson's *Oranges Are Not the Only Fruit*

11.35–11.55 Cheralyn MEALOR, *University of Aarhus, Denmark:*

Fundamentalism and Ambivalence in Ian McEwan's *Saturday*

11.55–12.15 **Discussion**

12.15–12.30

Coffee Break

12.30–13.30

Reading and Valedictory Address

Nilufer BHARUCHA, *University of Mumbai, India*

Sridhar RAJESWARAN, *University of Mumbai, India*

Session (H): America

(Chair: to be confirmed)

Brannon COSTELLO, *Louisiana State University, USA:*

Apocalypse: Fundamentalism and the Literature of the U.S. South

Lutz SCHOWALTER, *University of Trier, Germany:*

'The truth with a capital T'? On the Paradoxes of Christian Fundamentalist Fiction

Discussion

Coffee Break

Dirk VANDERBEKE, *University of Düsseldorf, Germany:*

'Nearer My Lord to Thee': Recent Christian Fundamentalist Novels

Raimund BORGMEIER, *University of Gießen, Germany:*

Fundamentalism in American SF-Novels of the 1980s and 1990s

Discussion