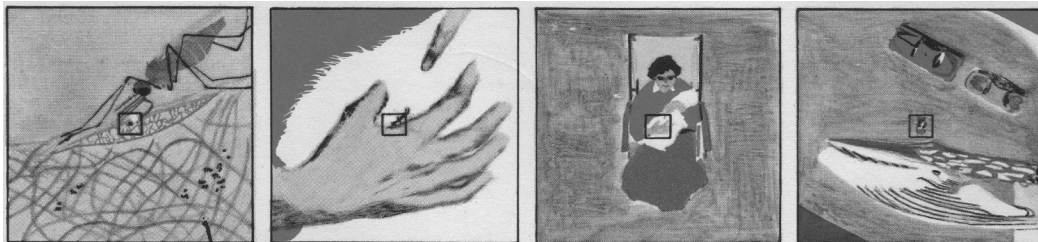


SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY STUDIES

FALL 2009 SEMINARS & EVENTS



- Fri., Aug. 28 *Whither STS?: A Discussion on the State of the Field*
Panelists: Daniel Breslau, Bob Darrow, & Sonja Schmid
Moderator: Matt Wisnioski
- Fri., Sept. 4
Torgersen 1020 *The Age of Technoscience: Arguing for an Epochal Break*
Alfred Nordmann (TU Darmstadt)
Reception to Follow at the University Club, 6:00 to 9:00 pm
- Fri., Sept. 11 *Calculating Civilian Risks in Depleted Uranium Debates*
Saul Halfon (VT, STS), commentary by Brandiff Caron
work in progress: pre-circulated paper
- Fri., Sept. 18 *Exposing Momentum & Contingency in the Energy-Transportation Infrastructure*
Marcia Davitt (VT, STS), commentary by Ann Laberge
work in progress: pre-circulated paper
- Fri., Sept. 25 *"Metal Brains" and the Mathematized Biology of the Past's Future*
Joseph November (USC), commentary by Richard Burian
- Fri., Oct. 2 *Women's Paths Into Computing: A Historical Look at Opportunity and Agency*
Janet Abbate (VT, STS), commentary by Barbara Reeves
work in progress: pre-circulated paper
- Sat., Oct. 3
Torgersen 1040 *STS Meet & Greet*
All day event. Details TBA
- Fri., Oct. 9 *Civil Defense American Style*
Patrick Roberts (VT, CPAP), commentator TBA
work in progress: pre-circulated paper
- Fri., Oct. 23 *Understanding Engineering Communities: What Role for Network Analysis?*
Rebecca Slayton (Stanford), commentator TBA
- Oct. 28 – Nov. 1
Crystal City *Annual Meeting, Society for the Social Studies of Science (4S)*
Organized by the STS Department. Hyatt Regency, Crystal City, VA
- Wed., Nov. 4
Inn at VT *Celebration of Darwin*
www.cpe.vt.edu/darwin/ R. Richards (Chicago); F. Sulloway (Berkeley); P. Kitcher (Columbia), et al. All day event. Registration at 7:00 am, Inn at Virginia Tech
- Thurs., Nov. 5
Lyric Theater/GLC *Choices and Challenges: The Inner Life of Animals*
www.choicesandchallenges.sts.vt.edu/2009/Home2009.html
E. Linden (independent); G. Mitman (Wisconsin); J. Gould (Princeton); D. Reiss (Hunter); M. Beckoff (Colorado); H.L. Miles (Project Chantock); et al
All day event. Main panel at the Lyric Theater. 11:00-1:00
- Mon., Nov. 9 *Rhapsody on a Darwinian Theme:*
Selections from Songs & Musical Production Inspired by Darwin & His Theory
Vassiliki Betty Smocovitis (Florida), commentator TBA
- Fri., Nov. 13 *Technoscientific Diplomacy:*
Explaining Transnational Authority in US - Japan Earth Observation
Dan Plalfcan (Marine Corps Intelligence Activity), commentator TBA
- Fri., Dec. 4 *The Discourse of Knowledge in the Emerging Islamic Polity*
Najma Yousefi (VT, STS)

talks in 132 Lane Hall unless noted
questions? contact sschmid@vt.edu

tea/cookies @ 3:00
seminar @ 3.30