Faking, Forging, Counterfeiting (Munich, 29-31 Oct 15)

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Faking, Forging, Counterfeiting. Discredited Practices at the Margins of Mimesis Conference of the Munich Doctoral Program for Literature and the Arts MIMESIS

Fakes, forgeries and counterfeits are omnipresent as works of art, branded products, biographies, satellite pictures, documents, news, research results, testimonies. They are mimetic practices of unique cultural, economical and political relevance. They alter reality, make history and perform cultural work. Although their impact contrasts with their negative connotation, they are still first and foremost considered as fraud, as deceit, as the shadow of a creative act.

The conference aims to discuss and establish an understanding of these practices as productive mimetic processes and not merely as morally and legally problematic phenomena. It will engage an interdisciplinary dialogue on the potential impacts of fakes, involving art history, literature, performance and media studies.

Thursday, 29 October 2015

9.30 Welcome Christopher Balme Simone Niehoff

9.45 OPENING LECTURE Six Degrees of Separation: The Foax as More Henry Keazor (Heidelberg)

11:00 COFFEE

PLAYING WITH FORGERIES Chair: Katharina Krcal

11.30

The Bacchus' Six Toes. Defects and Imper-fections in Daniel Hopfer's Copies after Mantegna's Engravings: a Dissident Translation Anna-Sophie Pellé (Tours)

12.00 The Artist and the Mountebank: Forgery and the Dynamics of Illusion in the 17th-Century Arts Jacqueline Hylkema (Leiden)

12.30 Aping the Master: Voltaire Pastiches in 19th-Century France Manuel Mühlbacher (Munich)

13.00 LUNCH at CAS

TRANSFERS OF FORGED OBJECTS Chair: Bavand Behpoor

14.00 fracture and facture: cultural histories of the inauthentic and the collecting of Islamic art Margaret Graves (Bloomington)

14.45 With the Vatican's Blessing: Marketing Strategies of the Mansur Collection Sylvia Schoske (Munich)

15.30 COFFEE

16.00Shape Shifters of Transculturation:Giovanni Bastianini's Forgeries as Embodiment of an Aesthetic PatriotismTina Öcal (Heidelberg)

16.30 Stefano Bardini: From Fabrication to Masterwork. Documented Strategies for Fabulously Faking Lynn Catterson (New York)

19.00 EVENING LECTURE Fälschung – die Kunst der Täuschung Friedrich Teja Bach (Vienna)

Friday, 30 October 2015

METADISCUSSIONS: FORGERY AS MOTIF Chair: Manuel Mühlbacher

9.30 Fake Supreme: Gaddis, Kierkegaard, and the Art of Recognition Klaus Benesch (Munich)

10.15 COFFEE

10.45 Reevaluating Fraudulence and Imitation: (Re-)Reading Practices in Gottfried Keller's 'Die mißbrauchten Liebesbriefe' Jessica Resvick (Chicago)

11.15 Reflections on Plagiarism in Borges' Works Based on the Case 'El Aleph Engordado' from Pablo Katschadjain Florencia Sannders (Munich)

11.45Reading Painted Faces:The Woman's Face in the Context of Renaissance Notions on Originality and Deceit in Shakespeare's 'Lucrece'Thomas Erthel (Munich)

12.15 LUNCH at CAS

FAKED LITERARY TRADITIONS Chair: Annalisa Fischer

13.15 The Forger as Expert: Autograph Forgeries around 1900 Anne-Kathrin Reulecke (Graz)

14.15 'I have chosen to write notes on imaginary books': On the 'Forgery' of Pretexts Laura Kohlrausch (Munich)

14.45 COFFEE

15.15 Faked Translations: James Macpherson's Poems of Ossian Yola Schmitz (Munich)

15.45

'... charge the Creator with forming objects whose sole purpose was to deceive us': Preceding Ori-

ginals Brigitte Rath (Berlin)

19.00 VERNISSAGE: FAKE FOR GLORY Location: Galerie Royal Introduction Henry Keazor

Saturday, 31 October 2015

FAKED RELIGIOUS TRADITIONS Chair: Antonio Chemotti

9.30 Orthopraxie vs. Orthodoxie: Zum Fiktionscharakter von Ritualen in der griechisch-römischen Antike Susanne Gödde (Munich)

10.15 COFFEE

10.45 'Warhafftige Contrafactur': The Antichrist as Imitator of Jesus Christ Anika Höppner (Weimar)

11.15 Creating a Cult, Faking Relics: the Case of St. Dominic of Soriano Laura Fenelli (Florence)

11.45 Buddha Images as Local Deities in Tamil Speaking South India: Alteration, Misappropriation and Distorted History Manuvelraj Ponnudarai (New Delhi)

12.15 LUNCH at Café Reitschule

THE PERIPHERY OF FAKES Chair: Gawan Fagard

14.00 Avatars and A.I. The Practice of Counterfeiting Identities in Digital Art Daniel Becker (Munich)

14.30 Mindere Mimesis: Gegenwärtige Formen der Nachstellung Maria Muhle (Munich)

15.15 COFFEE

15.45 Fictions, Fakes and Authenticities: Art Projects from Africa and Beyond Tobias Wendl (Berlin)

16.30 Forging as Subversive Mimetic Practice:

Hoaxes and Impostures from 'Dreadnought Hoax' to Center for Political Beauty Simone Niehoff (Munich)

17.00 Wrap Up Chair: Henry Keazor

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