

Genealogy and Morphology (Paris, 16 Nov 17)

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Genealogy and Morphology. Perspectives on the Origin and Becoming of Images

If genealogy deals with the problem of lineage, morphology has since Goethe's work treated the becoming of forms, later also the becoming of images, genres, literary phenomena etc. Together genealogy and morphology provide the outlines for a type of question that asks from where things come, up to the philosophically rigorous inquiry into the question of origins, while also studying the phenomenon of transformation and its regularities. These issues will be discussed from a range of perspectives on the occasion of this study day, organized within the framework of the international research group "Bilderfahrzeuge: Warburg's Legacy and the Future of Iconology," a project which sets out to explore the migration of images and ideas in a broad historical and geographical context.

Conception:

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Location:

Deutsches Forum für Kunstgeschichte

Centre allemand d'histoire de l'art

Hôtel Lully

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Information and programme:

<https://dfk-paris.org/en/event/genealogy-and-morphology-perspectives-origin-and-becoming-images-1941.html>

10:00

Welcome / Begrüßung

Thomas Kirchner (DFK Paris)

Introduction / Einführung

Andreas Beyer (Universität Basel/Bilderfahrzeuge)

10:30

The Modern Invention of Barbarians: Ethnicity and the Transmission of Forms
Eric Michaud (EHESS)

11:00

Nation, Method, Identity: Aby Warburg, French Art History and the Shaping of a Discipline
Michela Passini (IHMC-CNRS-ENS-Ecole du Louvre)

11:30

“Esprit de suite.” On French Art’s Consistency
Victor Claass (DFK Paris/Bilderfahrzeuge)

Lunch break / Mittagspause

14:00

Form Beyond Morphology: Goethe on Laocoön and Lady Hamilton
Philipp Ekardt (Warburg Institute/Bilderfahrzeuge)

14:30

Montage as Concrete Thinking. Eisenstein Reads Goethe
Elena Vogman (FU Berlin)

15:00

Die Stammbaummacher. Vom Sinnbildvehikel zur Symbolmobilität
Astrit Schmidt-Burkhardt (FU Berlin)

15:30

Concluding remarks / Schlussbemerkung
Andreas Beyer

For more information about the “Bilderfahrzeuge” project

<http://iconology.hypotheses.org/>

Reference:

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