

## Aesthetic Theories of Catastrophe (London 30 April 2009)

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Aesthetic Theories of Catastrophe in Fin-de-Siècle

Thursday 30th of April, 2009 at 10:00 am until 5:00 pm

Location: Goldsmiths College London (RHB 306), London SE14 6NW  
(registration necessary)

One-Day Workshop organised by the Centre for German-Jewish Studies,  
University of Sussex in co-operation with the History Department of  
Goldsmiths College

Conference organisers: Leena Petersen, Nitzan Lebovic

Date: 30th April 2009

Venue: Goldsmiths College London (RHB 306), London SE14 6NW

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URL: <http://www.sussex.ac.uk/cgjs/1-1.php?output=html&refer=11527&oftype=event&fromdept=1&id=29129>

Program:

10.00 – 10.15 Assemble

10.15 – 11.15 Greetings : Christian Wiese, Leena Petersen

Keynote address: Howard Caygill ( Goldsmiths College ):

'The Dying Voice: Benjamin and Schmitt on the Catastrophe of Hamlet'

11.15-11.30 Coffee Break

11.30 – 12.15 Panel 1

Chair: Paul Betts ( Sussex University )

Laurence Paul Hemming ( Lancaster University ): "The Whole World as  
Negative Theology Without the Christian God": 'Heidegger's Judgement of  
Nietzsche's Eternal Return'

12.15 – 13.30 Lunch

13.30 – 15.00 Panel 2

Chair: Sas Mays ( University of Westminster )

Elina Staikou ( Goldsmiths College ): The ruin of a diary: Benjamin's Moscow

Leena Petersen ( Sussex University ): "Times of Decay" in the Linguistic Thought of Baroque and Expressionism

15.00 – 15.30 Coffee Break

15.30 – 17.00 Panel 3

Chair: Christian Wiese ( Sussex University )

Elke Dubbels (Humboldt University Berlin): Gershom Scholem's Messianic Philosophy of Hebrew and its Apocalyptic Sting

Nitzan Lebovic ( Tel Aviv University / Sussex University ): "A promise arises from amidst catastrophe": German Jewish Critique in 1900, 1945, and 2000.

17.00 Reception

The event is open to all and there are no registration fees  
For further information and to book a place, please contact  
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