

THE AFFECTED BODY SYMPOSIUM

Friday the 8th of June 2012 15-18hrs
SpLab/Special Laboratory for Art and Public
DJK/The Jutland Art Academy
Mejlgade 32-34, 8000 Aarhus C

PROGRAM: Friday the 8th of June 2012

15.00-15.10: Welcome and introduction

15.10-16.00: Hanne Bloch Gregersen; Emotions as a fundamental 'navigation system' for being and acting in the world

16.10-17.00: Armin W. Geertz; Ritual from a comparative science of religion perspective

17.10-18.00: Open discussion; the talks, the exhibition/works etc.

Snacks will be provided during the day and drinks can be bought for modest amounts (bring cash).

SPEAKERS: We are proud to present:

Hanne Bloch Gregersen

Cand. psych. and many years of supplementary psychotherapeutic training. She is Head of the EFT-institute (www.eft-instituttet.dk <<http://www.eft-instituttet.dk/>>) in Copenhagen, a private training centre for psychotherapy with a 4-year training program in Emotions-Focused Therapy. She has been practising for more than 30 years in both the public and the private clinical treatment sector.

TALK: Emotions as a fundamental 'navigation system' for being and acting in the world.

I will introduce the newer emotion theory, and outline how we develop self-organizing 'emotion schemes' while growing up. I will address the issue of functional and dysfunctional emotional processing, how we learn to regulate emotions and how we can transform emotions, if needed. I will also address both the interconnectedness of body, emotion and cognition and some of the consequences of the dualistic view of body and mind in our society.

Armin W. Geertz

Dr. Phil., is Professor in the History of Religions at the Department of Culture and Society, Section for the Study of Religion, Chair of the Religion, Cognition and Culture Research Unit(RCC), and MINDLab Coordinator of the Cognition and Culture Project at Aarhus University, Denmark. His publications range from the cognitive science of religion to method and theory in the study of religions and the religions of indigenous peoples.

TALK: Ritual from a comparative science of religion perspective. My talk will introduce to the audience how ritual is categorized and studied in the comparative science of religion. Then I will discuss some characteristics of ritual and focus my attention on cognitive and neurobiological aspects of ritual behaviour. I will also present some of the experimental work on ritual that we are conducting at the Religion, Cognition and Culture research unit (RCC).

THE AFFECTED BODY group:

Stefan Bakmand, Nour Fog, Nat Bloch Gregersen, Ragnhild May, Beth Ramsay, Jens Settergren, Mathias Tornvig

The symposium is hosted by the exhibiting artists in conjunction to the group show: THE AFFECTED BODY (Or how/where does the self/individuality emerge/assert itself in the seemingly all-encompassing, ever-accumulating, random stream of affect?) from 1st -11th of June at DJK (opening 1st of June 15-19, opening hours Mon-Fri 16-19, Sat & Sun 12-16). The symposium is public and will be in English.