

## X Medical Anthropology at Home (MAAH) Conference

### *Subjectivities and afflictions: Agency, health systems and the politics of/for life*

Medical Anthropology Research Centre (MARC)  
Universitat Rovira i Virgili (URV), Tarragona (Spain)  
Conference venue: Monestir de Poblet (Catalonia, Spain)  
18<sup>th</sup> - 21<sup>st</sup> October 2018

#### Schedule

Format for paper presentations & discussion,  
excluding keynote lectures:  
- Presentation: 10 minutes  
- Comments by discussant: 5 minutes

#### Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> October, 2018

<b>14.00 – 14.20</b>	Registration at University Rovira i Virgili (URV) Campus Catalunya. <b>Sala de Graus</b> <u>Avinguda Catalunya, 35, 43002, Tarragona</u>
<b>14.30 – 16.30</b>	<b>14.30 Opening</b> Welcome from MAAH organizing committee: Àngel Martínez-Hernández, Lina Masana, Josep Maria Comelles Opening University Rovira i Virgili (URV) board: Director of the Department of Anthropology (DAFITS), Director of Medical Anthropology Research Centre (MARC).  <b>15.00 KEYNOTE LECTURE 1: Janis Jenkins</b> <b>Everyone's Got A Little Mental Illness: Subjectivity, Structure, and Extraordinary Conditions</b> (45min lecture + 15 debate)
<b>16.45 – 18.00</b>	Coach from URV to <u>Monestir de Poblet</u>
<b>18.00 – 18.45</b>	Check-in at Hostatgeria Monestir de Poblet
<b>18.45 – 20.00</b>	Video homage to Tullio Sepilli (Ed. Josep M Comelles)
<b>20.00 – 20.30</b>	Homage to Helle Johannessen
<b>20.30</b>	DINNER

#### Friday 19<sup>th</sup> October, 2018

<b>8.00 – 9.00</b>	BREAKFAST
<b>9.00 – 11.00</b>	<u>Session 1. Subjective worlds of affliction: Illness narratives</u>  9.00 – <b>Fredik Nyman</b> , Living from experience. Studying support groups for people with chronic lung disease in the north of England ( <i>discussant:</i> <i>Mette Høybye-Terp</i> )  9.30 – <b>Susan M. DiGiacomo</b> , Healing and wholeness: cancer survivors' embodied experience of illness as a source of expertise ( <i>discussant:</i> <i>Sylvie Fainzang</i> )

	<p>10.00 – <b>Mette Bech-Risør</b>, Subjectivities at stake – the crafting of agency and personhood during clinical assessment of CFS (<i>discussant: Lina Casadó-Marín</i>)</p> <p>10.30 – <b>Lina Masana</b>, Living with chronic fatigue: subjective experiences at stake (<i>discussant: Stefan Reinsch</i>)</p>
<b>11.00 – 11.30</b>	Coffee break
<p><b>11.30 – 13.30</b></p> <p>Chair: Lina Masana</p>	<p><u>Session 2. Subjectivities around end-of-life care and dying</u></p> <p>11.30 – <b>Sylvie Fortin</b>, Prolonging life or envisioning death? (<i>discussant: Sandra Teresa Hyde</i>)</p> <p>12.00 – <b>Sabrina Lessard</b>, “If I understand correctly, you're waiting for one of us to die?”: An ethnography of disorientation in a geriatric environment (<i>discussant: Nicolás Morales</i>)</p> <p>12.30 – <b>Marian Krawczyk</b>, An affective economy of hospital palliative care: the making of subjects and subjectivity at end of life (<i>discussant: Maria Reimann</i>)</p> <p>13.00 – <b>Sjaak Van der Geest</b>, Subjectivity, autonomy and dying: Notes about voluntary death in the Netherlands (<i>discussant: Mette Bech-Risør</i>)</p>
<b>13.30 – 15.00</b>	LUNCH
<b>15.15 – 16.15</b>	Poblet Monastery guided tour. Meeting at the entrance door of the Hostatgeria 15.10.
<p><b>16.30 – 18.00</b></p> <p>Chair: Mette Bech-Risør</p>	<p><u>Session 3. Body, substances and subjectivities</u></p> <p>16.30 – <b>Sylvie Fainzang</b>, Subjectivity and dependence. Semantic variations on the concept of dependence on medicines (<i>discussant: Beatriz Aragón-Martín</i>)</p> <p>17.00 – <b>Mette Høybye-Terp</b>, Practicing blood. Affect and improvisation studying blood-work in hematology patients (<i>discussant: Fredik Nyman</i>)</p> <p>17.30 – <b>Wesam Adel Hassan</b>, Cantus Lamentus: Navigating HIV positive mother’s subjectivities in Egypt post 2011 (<i>discussant: Anna Chowaniec-Rylke</i>)</p>
<b>18.00 – 18.30</b>	Coffee break
<p><b>18.30 – 21.00</b></p> <p>Chair: Nofit Itzhak</p>	<p><u>Session 4. Children, youth and family subjectivities around illness experience</u></p> <p>18.30 – <b>Stefan Reinsch</b>, Committing body and soul: Responsiveness, Reflexivity and collaboration in fieldwork with chronically ill children and adolescents (<i>discussant: Sabrina Lessard</i>)</p> <p>19.00 – <b>Araceli Muñoz</b>, Listening to children's voices. Narratives about illness and pain (<i>discussant: Claire Bodelet</i>)</p>

	<p>19.30 – <b>Elisa Alegre</b>, Afflictions, vulnerabilities and risks: a dialogue between youth narratives and biopolitics around drug consumption in Tarragona City (<i>discussant: Sofia Bowen</i>)</p> <p>20.00 – <b>Anna Chowaniec-Rylke</b>, “I am afraid of my own child”. Autoethnographic reflections on reproductive decisions. (<i>discussant: Nofit Itzak</i>)</p> <p>20.30 – <b>Maria Reimann</b>, I (don't) see me in you. Autoethnographic study of living with/researching disability. (<i>discussant: Soula Marinoudi</i>)</p>
<b>21.00</b>	<b>DINNER</b>

## Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> October, 2018

<b>8.00 – 9.00</b>	<b>BREAKFAST</b>
<b>9.00 – 10.30</b>	<p><u>Session 5. Biopolitics and public health</u></p> <p>Chair: Sylvie Fainzang</p> <p>9.00 – <b>Bernhard Hadolt</b>, Responsible subjects: The ‘vaccination gap’, public health and subject forms in Austrian health policies (<i>discussant: Sjaak Van der Geest</i>)</p> <p>9.30 – <b>Franz Graf</b>, “What we know of aliveness”: Modern Paganism, Environmental Illness and More-than-Human Subjectivity (<i>discussant: Danuta Penkala-Gawęcka</i>)</p> <p>10.00 – <b>Lina Casado-Marín</b>, Obesity as the epitome of precarization: food practices and precarious bodies in Spain (<i>discussant: Wesam Adel Hassan</i>)</p>
<b>10.30 – 11.00</b>	<b>Coffee break</b>
<b>11.00 – 13.30</b>	<p><u>Session 6. Physicians subjectivities and hospital ethnographies</u></p> <p>Chair: Sylvie Fortin</p> <p>11.00 – <b>Torsten Risør</b>, The blind spot in the medical gaze. An exploration of space for subjectivity in medical faculty research (<i>discussant: Maria Krawczyk</i>)</p> <p>11.30 – <b>Sandra Hyde</b>, Physician Narratives: Engendering Biomedicine and the Subjectification of a Female Neonatologist Across the Twentieth Century (<i>discussant: Torsten Risør</i>)</p> <p>12.00 – <b>Beatriz Aragón-Martín</b>, ‘She will not set a toe in the hospital’: questioning Roma patient’s “fatalism” with regard to health prevention (<i>discussant: Bernhard Hadolt</i>)</p> <p>12.30 – <b>Mirko Pasquini</b>, Lost in Translation “Improper users” and socio-medical crises in an Italian emergency ward (<i>discussant: Araceli Muñoz</i>)</p> <p>13.00 – <b>Claire Bodelet</b>, Re-experiencing medical care routines with the presence of hospital clowns (<i>discussant: Lina Masana</i>)</p>

<b>13.30 – 15.00</b>	LUNCH
<b>15.00 – 16.30</b>  Chair: Bernhard Hadolt	<p><u>Session 7. Subjectivities and healing practices</u></p> <p>15.00 – <b>Nofit Itzhak</b>, Divine Disruptions: Subjectivity and Healing in Religious Worlds (<i>discussant: Susan DiGiacomo</i>)</p> <p>15.30 – <b>Danuta Penkala-Gawęcka</b>, Illness Experience and Its Translation: The Case of a 'Shamanic/Healer's Illness' in Post-Soviet Kazakhstan and Kyrgyzstan (<i>discussant: Àngel Martínez-Hernández</i>)</p> <p>16.00 – <b>Ismael Apud-Peláez</b>, Ayahuasca from Barcelona to Prato Raso. Narratives of addiction and healing in the therapeutic center IDEAA (<i>discussant: Franz Graf</i>)</p>
<b>16.30 – 17.00</b>	Coffee break
<b>17.00 – 18.00</b>	<b>KEYNOTE LECTURE 2: Thomas Csordas</b> <b>Catholic Psychiatrists and the Practice of Exorcism: Differential Diagnosis or Act of Faith?</b> (45min lecture + 15 debate)
18.00 – 21.00	Free time, other activities: <b>20.30 <i>Completus i salve</i></b> (Compline: final office of the canonical hours sung daily by the monks in the <b>monastery church</b> )
<b>21.00</b>	DINNER

### Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> October, 2018

<b>8.00 – 9.00</b>	BREAKFAST & check out
<b>9.00 – 11.00</b>  Chair: Josep. M Comelles	<p><u>Session 8. Mental health narratives and subjectivities</u></p> <p>9.00 – <b>Àngel Martínez-Hernández</b>, The son of the tiger hunter who never killed a tiger: Myth, violence and masculinity in a life story (<i>discussant: Sylvie Fortin</i>)</p> <p>9.30 – <b>Soula Marinoudi</b>, Uncharted sensations: Autistic subjectivities in the Greek context (<i>discussant: Elisa Alegre</i>)</p> <p>10.00 – <b>Sofia Bowen</b>, 'Work stress' in neoliberal Chile: an ethnographic approach to governance and accountability of mental illness in the workplace (<i>discussant: Mirko Pasquini</i>)</p> <p>10.30 – <b>Nicolás Morales</b>, Who's the expert? Controversies on Drugs, Chronicity and Autonomy in Neo-communitarist Mental Health. (<i>discussant: Ismael Apud</i>)</p>
<b>11.00– 11.45</b>	Discussion on the future of the network: - emergent topics - future plans for MAAH - projects of publication after this conference - projects for next conference
<b>11.45– 12.15</b>	Pick up lunch in a bag, photo of the group, farewell, kisses & hugs
<b>12.15 – 14.15</b>	Coach to Barcelona Airport (duration 1h 30min aprox. minimum, 2h maximum, depending on traffic).