

# Exploring Transnational Studies Inaugural Conference

April 24, 2009

9:00am – 6:30pm

Center for the Humanities at Tufts  
48 Professors Row

## 9:00am – 10:20am: Interzones

- **Benjamin L. Carp** (History), Tufts University: *Global Perspectives on the Boston Tea Party*
- **Lindsay Schakenbach** (History), Tufts University: *Foreign Policy by Whom? United States Citizens, the Press, and the Leander Expedition (1805-1810)*
- **Richard So** (Comparative Literature), Williams College: *Fragments of the Trans-Pacific Cultural Front: Agnes Smedley and Ding Ling, 1932-1937*

## 10:30am – 11:50am: Transgressions

- **Ning Ma** (Chinese Language and Literature), Tufts University: *The Chinese Talent-Beauty Novel: A Secret Origin of "World Literature"*
- **Cindy Zhongxin Sun** (Sociology), Tufts University: *"An Open Definition of Gender": Redefining Urban Chinese Women's Identity Via the Global Workplace*
- **Nick Petschek** (Fletcher School of Law & Diplomacy), Tufts University: *Transnational Stakeholders in Participatory Planning: HTAs and Mexico*

## Noon – 1:00pm: Lunch

## 1:00pm – 2:20pm: Tectonics

- **Noit Banai** (Visual and Critical Studies), Tufts University School of the Museum of Fine Arts: *From Jerusalem of Gold to the Global Village: Contemporary Art Practice and Globalization*

- **Tyler Ostergaard** (Art History), Tufts University: *Shifting Iconography in Armenian Architecture: The Ideological and Transnational Significance of Gagkasen and Zvart'nots*

- **Warrick Moses** (Music), Tufts University: *Construction and Negotiation of Identity in Cape Town Hip-Hop*

## 2:30pm – 3:50pm: Ecumenes

- **Jacob Crane** (English), Tufts University: *Leaving the (Black) Atlantic: the Construction of Diasporic Identity in Amitav Ghosh's Sea of Poppies*
- **Sarah Waheed** (History), Tufts University: *Pan-Islam as Cosmopolitanism? Transnational Muslim Thought and Leopold Weiss-Muhammad Asad*
- **Johan Mathew** (History), Harvard University: *Pan-Islam, Transnational Counter-Insurgency and the International Paradigm*

## 5:00pm – 6:30pm: Keynote

- **Smitha Radhakrishnan**, Wellesley College: *Producing Appropriate Difference: Gender, Caste, and the Question of Diversity in Indian High-Tech*  
(Lecture to be held in Cabot 205, Fletcher School)

## 7:30pm – 9:00pm: Dinner