

# the center for religion and media

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The Center for Religion and Media seeks to develop interdisciplinary, cross-cultural knowledge of how religious ideas and practices are shaped and spread through a variety of media. The Center, inaugurated through The Pew Charitable Trusts, is a collaborative project of the Religious Studies Program and the Center for Media, Culture and History, providing a space for scholarly endeavor, a stage for public educational events, and an electronic interface with media specialists and the public through its innovative web journal, *The Revealer: A Daily Review of Religion and Media*, [www.therevealer.org](http://www.therevealer.org)

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The Center for Media, Culture and History, founded in 1993 with support from the Rockefeller and Ford Foundations, addresses issues of representation, social change and identity construction embedded in the development of film, television, video, and new media worldwide. It focuses on the role these media play in shaping our perceptions of history and culture; in forging individual, collective, national and transnational identities; and in mediating the direction and character of social change.

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## PHOTOS

- A: Nam Jun Pak, *TV Buddha*, 1974, Collection of Stedelijk Museum, Amsterdam
- B: From the documentary *The Darkside*, screening at Margaret Mead Film Festival
- C: From the documentary *Have You Seen the Arana*, screening in the New South Asian Documentary series
- D: From the documentary *The Darkside*, screening at Margaret Mead Film Festival
- E: George Stoney and Judith Helfand
- F: From the documentary *Nirnay*, screening in the New South Asian Documentary series
- G: Photo by Susan Meiselas featured in her book, *Encounters with the Dani Tribe*. Pictured: anthropologist/filmmaker Robert Gardner returns after 27 years to show the Dani the film *Dead Birds* (1961)
- H: From the documentary, *The Beauty Academy of Kabul*

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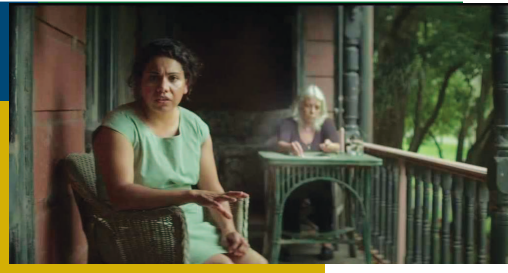


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## MEDIA, RELIGION, and SOCIAL TRANSFORMATION



### LECTURE

WEDNESDAY / SEPTEMBER 10 / 6-8 PM  
CINEMA STUDIES, MICHELSON THEATER  
721 BROADWAY, 6TH FLOOR

#### 2ND ANNUAL GEORGE STONEY MEMORIAL LECTURE AND THE LIGHTS CAME ON: From Worker's Rights to Working Films to Toxic Comedies

JUDITH HELFAND (*Blue Vinyl, A Healthy Baby Girl*) talks about her collaboration with GEORGE STONEY (*Uprising of '34*) and his influence on her work—"the gift that keeps giving".



### COLLOQUIA / LECTURE

IN COLLABORATION WITH THE  
DEPARTMENT OF ANTHROPOLOGY

THURSDAY / OCTOBER 16 / 5-6:30 PM  
KIMBALL LOUNGE  
246 GREENE STREET, 1ST FLOOR LOUNGE

#### ANTI-CRISIS

JANET ROITMAN (New School)

### FILM FESTIVAL / EVENT

THURSDAY-SUNDAY / OCTOBER 23-26  
AMERICAN MUSEUM OF NATURAL HISTORY  
79TH STREET AND CENTRAL PARK WEST

#### THE MARGARET MEAD FILM AND VIDEO FESTIVAL

Longest running US showcase for ethnographic documentaries, this year features work from Indigenous Australia, emerging filmmakers from NYU, and a tribute to Robert Gardner with photographer Susan Meiselas.

For more information:  
[www.amnh.org/explore/margaret-mead-film-festival](http://www.amnh.org/explore/margaret-mead-film-festival)

### COLLOQUIA / LECTURE

IN COLLABORATION WITH THE  
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THURSDAY / SEPTEMBER 11 / 5-6:30PM  
KIMBALL LOUNGE  
246 GREENE STREET, 1ST FLOOR LOUNGE

#### ANIMATING THE CITY: Safavid Soundscapes in Socialist Tbilisi

PAUL MANNING (Trent University)

### SCREENING/SYMPOSIA

THURSDAY 6PM-SATURDAY 7PM / SEPTEMBER 25-27  
CINEMA STUDIES, MICHELSON THEATER  
721 BROADWAY, 6TH FLOOR

#### NEW SOUTH ASIAN DOCUMENTARY: On and Off Screen

Screenings/discussions with filmmakers and scholars on current trends, concerns, and challenges in non-fiction media in and about South Asia.

CO-SPONSORS: SOUTH ASIA@NYU, MARRON INSTITUTE, ANTHROPOLOGY, CINEMA STUDIES, VISUAL ARTS INITIATIVE, BOBST LIBRARY, GALLATIN HUMAN RIGHTS PROGRAM, OF MANY INSTITUTE FOR MULTIFAITH LEADERSHIP, THE CENTER ON VIOLENCE AND RECOVERY, ASIAN/PACIFIC/AMERICAN STUDIES, ARTHUR L. CARTER JOURNALISM INSTITUTE

For updated schedule: [www.cmchnyu.org](http://www.cmchnyu.org)



THE LERNER WORKSHOP  
IN RELIGION AND SOCIETY  
IN COLLABORATION WITH THE  
NYU RELIGIOUS STUDIES PROGRAM

WEDNESDAY / OCTOBER 1 / 6-7:30 PM  
SILVER CENTER, JUROW LECTURE HALL  
30 WASHINGTON PLACE

#### DO NOT TAMPER WITH THE CLUES: What Goldman Sachs Can Tell Us About Religion

KATHRYN LOFTON (Yale University)

CO-SPONSOR: DEAN OF THE COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCE

### SCREENING / DISCUSSION

PRESENTED BY THE TAUB CENTER  
FOR ISRAEL STUDIES

TUESDAY / OCTOBER 28 / 5:30-7:30 PM  
GRAND HALL  
GLOBAL CENTER FOR SPIRITUAL AND ACADEMIC LIFE  
238 THOMPSON STREET

#### SHATTERED RHYMES: The Life and Poetry of Erez Bitton

(New York Premiere, 63 min., 2014, Dir: Sami Shalom Chetrit)

Renowned Jewish-Moroccan, Israeli-based Mizrahi poet Erez Bitton tells of collective and personal histories as well as his own experiences as a blind person.

Discussion: SAMI SHALOM CHETRIT, EREZ BITTON, ELLA SHOCHAT (Art and Public Policy, NYU)

CO-SPONSORS: HEBREW AND JUDAIC STUDIES, HAGOP KEVORKIAN CENTER FOR NEAR EASTERN STUDIES, EDGAR M. BRONFMAN CENTER FOR JEWISH STUDENT LIFE, NYU COUNCIL FOR THE STUDY OF DISABILITY



### COLLOQUIA / LECTURE

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THURSDAY / NOVEMBER 6 / 5-6:30PM  
KIMBALL LOUNGE  
246 GREENE STREET, 1ST FLOOR LOUNGE

#### AN ANTHROPOLOGY OF DRONE WARFARE

HUGH GUSTERSON (Anthropology and Sociology, George Mason University/IAS Princeton)



### SCREENING / DISCUSSION

MONDAY / NOVEMBER 10 / 5-7  
KING JUAN CARLOS I OF SPAIN CENTER  
SCREENING ROOM  
53 WASHINGTON SQUARE SOUTH

#### ELENA

(42 min., 2012, Dir. Marcelo Martín)

This investigative documentary, shot over three years, offers rare insight into the deteriorating state of living conditions in Central Havana, Cuba. Screening followed by a discussion with ALEXO MARTÍN (Americas Media Initiative) and MARCELO MARTÍN, filmmaker and former resident of the building.

### SCREENING / DISCUSSION

THURSDAY / DECEMBER 4 / 6-8PM  
ARTHUR L. CARTER JOURNALISM INSTITUTE  
20 COOPER SQUARE, 7TH FLOOR

#### GÉNÉRATION MAUDITE: Cursed Generation

(61 min., 2013, Dir: Nasredine Ben Maati)

This documentary highlights bloggers and online activists in Tunisia during the revolution of 2011. Discussion: Producer DORA BOUCHOUCHA, MOHAMED EL-NAWAWY (Queens University of Charlotte). Moderator: MUSTAPHA TLILI (NYU Center for Dialogues)

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### COLLOQUIA / LECTURE

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THURSDAY / OCTOBER 2 / 5-7PM  
ARTHUR L. CARTER JOURNALISM INSTITUTE  
20 COOPER SQUARE, 6TH FLOOR

#### 11TH ANNUAL DOROTHY NELKIN LECTURE PAIN: Race, Identity, and Public Policy in America

KEITH WAILOO (Townsend Martin Professor of History & Public Affairs, Princeton University)

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### FILM FESTIVAL

THURSDAY-SUNDAY / OCTOBER 2-5  
CANTOR FILM CENTER  
36 E 8TH ST

#### IRISH SCREENING SERIES

A celebration of contemporary Irish Film. Special focus this year: JIM SHERIDAN (*My Left Foot, In America, In the Name of the Father*).

PRESENTED BY IRISH FILM NY WITH GLUCKSMAN IRELAND HOUSE.

### SCREENING / DISCUSSION

FRIDAY / OCTOBER 10 / 6-8 PM

CINEMA STUDIES  
MICHELSON THEATER  
721 BROADWAY, 6TH FLOOR

#### CULTURE LABS: Innovations In Ethnographic Documentary

Documentarians/Producers LIZ MERMIN and JENNIE RASKIN, collaborators and alumnae of NYUs Culture & Media Program, discuss their careers and innovations in ethnographic documentary over the last decade, ranging from the US and Europe to Afghanistan, Qatar, Azerbaijan and India.

