INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE

"Technically Yours": Technicity, Mediality, and the Stakes of Experience

Co-organized by Department of Foreign Languages and Literatures & Institute for Advanced Studies in the Humanities and Social Sciences
National Taiwan University
October 18-20, 2019

VENUE: College of Liberal Arts, National Taiwan University 1, Section 4, Roosevelt Road, Taipei WEBSITE: ntuyours.wordpress.com

Program

October 18 (Friday)

| 13:10~13:50 | Registration (@Hallway outside the Auditorium) |
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| | Opening Ceremony (@Auditorium) |
| 14:20~15:40 | Plenary Talk I (@Auditorium) |
| | Chair: TBA |
| | Speaker: Bernard Dionysius Geoghegan (King's College London, UK) Title: Artifice and Intelligence: Orientalism, Disability, and Gender in the Fashioning of "Artificial" Intelligence |
| | Coffee Break |
| 16:00~17:40 | Session 1A (@Auditorium) |
| | Chair: TBA |
| | Presenter: Steven DeCaroli (Goucher College, USA) Title: Foucault's <i>Milieu</i> : Power as Medium |
| | Presenter: Hannes Bergthaller (National Chung Hsing University, Taiwan) Title: Unnatural Contracts: "Earth System Governance" and the Cybernetic Image of the Planet |
| | Presenter: Babak Rahimi (University of California, San Diego, USA) Title: Technicity, Mediality and Religion |
| | Session 1B (@Conference Room) |
| | Chair: TBA |
| | Presenter: Kaori Inuma (Hitotsubashi University, Japan) Title: Developing Eyes to See Fairies: Uncanny Network of Doyle and Photographs |
| | Presenter: Kenny K. K. Ng (Hong Kong Baptist University, Hong Kong) Title: The Elephant Vanishes: Reading Ye Si with HKSAR Photography and Cinema |
| | Presenter: Paul Fung (Hang Seng University of Hong Kong, Hong Kong) Title: Silenced Photography: Representations of Children and Machinery in Edward Yang's <i>Yi Yi</i> |

October 19 (Saturday)

09:20~09:50 Registration (@Main Entrance of College)

10:00~12:00 Keynote Speech (@Auditorium)

Chair: TBA

Speaker: Martin E. Jay (University of California, Berkeley, USA)

Title: Experiencing Otherness through Technology: The Lessons of Photography

12:00~13:30 Lunch

13:30~15:10 **Session 2A (@Auditorium)**

Chair: TBA

Presenter: Adam Fish (University of New South Wales, Australia)

Title: Multispecies Theories of Drone Firmware

Presenter: Peng-yi Tai (National Central University, Taiwan) **Title:** Zombies and Technological Mediation in *World War Z*

Presenter: David Agruss (Arizona State University, USA)

Title: The Queerness of Truck Nuts: Bodies, Machines, Masculinity

Session 2B (@Conference Room)

Chair: TBA

Presenter: Irida Ntalla (Middlesex University London, UK)

Title: Theorising Affective Encounters of Environmental Change through Emergent Mediated

Experiential Aesthetics

Presenter: Benjamin Olin (Beijing Normal University-Hong Kong Baptist University, China) **Title:** Excavating the Franklin Street Arts Center: An Archaeology of a Speculative Media Ecology

Presenter: Bruce G. Shapiro (Feng Chia University, Taiwan)

Title: Crossing the Deadline: The Technology of Language and the Quest for Unmediated Performance

15:10~15:30 **Coffee Break**

15:30~17:30 Session 3A (@Auditorium)

Chair: TBA

Presenter: Jens Haarkamp (Chung Yuan Christian University, Taiwan) **Title:** Heidegger and the Misconceptions of Current Technophilia

Presenter: Anthony Adler (Yonsei University, Korea)

Title: Dis-encapsulation: Object-Oriented Programming and the Philosophy of Experience

Presenter: Laurie Jui-hu Tseng (National Taitung University, Taiwan)

Title: God and Human Beings in the Technologically-Mediated Living Condition: Reading Philip K. Dick's

Theology in His VALIS Trilogy

Presenter: Anand Karthikeyan (Indian Institute of Technology-Bombay, India)

Title: Representing the Network: A Study of the Film You Are Here

Session 3B (@Conference Room)

Chair: TBA

Presenter: Yoshiki Tajiri (University of Tokyo, Japan) **Title:** Virginia Woolf and the Cinematic Perception

Presenter: Yuk-yin Bobo Wong (Sun Yat-sen University, China)

Title: Sounding Bodies: Materiality and Subjectivity in Greene and Beckett

Presenter: Huang-hua Chen (National Tsing Hua University, Taiwan) **Title:** Narrating Horrors: The Uncanny History of Gothic Epistolarity

Presenter: Wei-Chen Liu (National Taiwan University, Taiwan)

Title: A Voice Detached from the Body: Technology of Storytelling in the Origin of the (American) Novel

19:00~21:00 Conference Dinner (by invitation)

October 20 (Sunday)

09:20~09:50 Registration (@Main Entrance of College)

10:00~12:00 Plenary Talks II & III (@Auditorium)

Chair: TBA

Speaker: Eyal Amiran (University of California, Irvine, USA) **Title:** Technically Yours: The Resistance of Bodies in New Media

Speaker: Kate Marshall (University of Notre Dame, USA) **Title:** The Novella as Technology: A Media Story

12:00~13:30 **Lunch**

13:30~15:10 Session 4A (@Auditorium)

Chair: TBA

Presenter: Ying-shan Chen (National Taiwan University of Arts, Taiwan)

Title: The Technicity of Quantum Consciousness and Quantum Neuroscience: Descartes, Spinoza and

Hegel

Presenter: Marek Jancovic (University of Mainz, Germany)

Title: Seizure as Technique: Disability, Media and the Technicity of Vision

Presenter: Kate Costello (University of Oxford, UK)

Title: Can the Machine Translator Be a Surrealist? Towards a Posthuman Poetics

Session 4B (@Conference Room)

Chair: TBA

Presenter: Shih-Yen Huang (Wenzao Ursuline University of Languages, Taiwan)

Title: Embodied Experience through Technology: On Walter Benjamin's "The Work of Art in the Age of Its

Technological Reproducibility"

Presenter: Leihua Weng (Sarah Lawrence College, USA)

Title: Visuality after Textuality: Individual and Collective Dislocation and Experience in Jia Zhangke's The

World (2004)

Presenter: Louis Wai-Chun Lo (National Yang-Ming University, Taiwan)

Title: Questioning Cinematic Time in the Real Slow Motion Sequence in Johnnie To's Three (2016)

15:10~15:30 **Coffee Break**

15:30~17:10 **Session 5A (@Auditorium)**

Chair: TBA

Presenter: Henk Vynckier (Tunghai University, Taiwan)

Title: The Misplaced Telescreen: On Winston Smith's Living Room and Other Spaces of Resistance in

Nineteen Eighty-Four

Presenter: Duncan McColl Chesney (National Taiwan University, Taiwan)

Title: Recent Novelistic Engagements of Contemporary Mediation and Precarization: Saramago and

Houellebecq

Presenter: Sharin Schroeder (National Taipei University of Technology, Taiwan)

Title: Gains and Losses: Digital Research on Victorian Scots

Session 5B (@Conference Room)

Chair: TBA

Presenter: Ting Luo (Zhejiang University, China)

Title: Expression and Prohibition of Desire: Cinematic Representation of Dreams as Alternative

Aesthetics in Modern Chinese Film

Presenter: Julia M. Keblinska (University of California, Berkeley, USA)

Title: Red Chambers and Electric Rainbows: Television Cultures in New Era China (1978-1989)

Presenter: Rui Kunze (University of Erlangen-Nuremberg, Germany)

Title: Memories in Matter: Mediality, Technicality, and the Configurations of Culinary Experience

17:20~17:40 Closing Ceremony (@Auditorium)