

17<sup>th</sup> Annual Interdisciplinary Graduate Student  
Conference

## The Social Network

Hosted by the Department of Classical, Near  
Eastern, and Religious Studies



Friday May 5<sup>th</sup> to Saturday May 6<sup>th</sup>

At the Thea Koerner House



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## Friday, May 5<sup>th</sup>

2:30 pm **Meet n' Greet in the Thea Koerner Penthouse**

3:30 pm **Keynote**

*Networks and Continuity at the Close of the Bronze Age:  
The Warrior Graves of East Crete*  
Dr. Andrew Koh (Brandeis University)

5:30 pm **Dinner at Biercraft**



## Saturday, May 6<sup>th</sup>

8:30 am **Breakfast in the Thea Koerner Penthouse**

9:00 am **The Tales We Tell: Creating Identities through Myth and Narrative**

Chair: Cillian O'Hogan

*Female Gladiators as Amazons: Ethnicity and the Creation of 'Other' in the Roman Arena*  
Courtney Tuck-Goetz (University of Saskatchewan)

*'I colli fatali di Roma.' Antiquity, community, racism*  
Kate Minniti (University of British Columbia)

*From Men into Hadjuks, Criminals into Paramilitaries: The Construction of Serbian Paramilitary Identity, 1991-1995*  
Stevan Bozanich (University of Victoria)

10:40 **Coffee Break**

## Saturday, May 6<sup>th</sup> continued

11:00 am **Communities and Marginalized Identities**  
Chair: Charmaine Gorrie

*Social Media Based Artists: Instagram's Not-So-Secret Society*

Blake Finucane (University of British Columbia)

*Language and Community Identity in Intercultural Theatre*  
Anna Holman (University of British Columbia)

*A Post-Christian Comic: Hellblazer's Transformative Theology*  
Collin Glavac (Brock University)

*Cut with the Concrete Knife: The Vancouver Viaducts and the Erasure of Hogan's Alley*  
Lucas Kling (University of British Columbia)

12:30 pm **Lunch Break**

1:30 pm **Community Forged through Ritual and Religion**  
Chair: TBD

*The Mantle, Mimesis, and the Muslimeen*  
Iman Seale (University of California at Davis)

*'Confession must be the initial step in the cure': British Responses to Mau Mau Oathing Practices (Kenya, 1952-1960)*  
Conor Wilkinson (University of British Columbia)

2:20 pm **Closing Remarks**  
Franco De Angelis

5:00 pm **Dinner at Mahoney's Bar and Grill**