# Reframing Disaster: Programme 28—29 November 2014

# Friday 28 November, The Carriageworks, Millennium Square

## 9.30: Registration and Refreshments

### 10.00: Plenary - Reframing Disaster (Main Auditorium)

Anthony Carrigan, University of Leeds

# 10.30: Panel I - Disasters in the Field (Main Auditorium)

Ilan Kelman, University College London

Megabytes of doom: Exploring 'disaster' through island photography

Linda Annala, Hanken School of Economics

Ethics of the "do no harm" principle in field research: A framework and post-colonial critique of

research designs in humanitarian settings

Chair: David Higgins

# 10.30: Panel 2 - Africa, Disaster, and the Media (Millennium Room)

Amy Rushton, University of Manchester

Reframing the 'tragic continent': Is Africa a Disaster?

Jacklyn Lacey, American Museum of Natural History

Haemorrhage: Hypocritical dimensions of international public health and media

responses in Ebola outbreaks, 1976-2014

Chair: Arthur Rose

### 11.15: Refreshment Break

### 11.30: Panel 3 - Writing Disaster Governance (Main Auditorium)

Liam O'Loughlin, University of Pittsburgh

Crisis contained: The poetics of bureaucratic disaster

Sourit Bhattacharya, University of Warwick

Disaster, geography, and literary realism: Three novels of the 1943–44 Bengal famine

Chair: Hannah Boast

# 11.30: Panel 4 - Legacies of Empire (Millennium Room)

Matthew Davidson, Trent University

Sanitizing empire: From occupation to epidemic in Haiti

Mohammed Berrada, The New School for Social Research, NY

50+ years of Independence and still serving the master: The slow violence of economic

servitude

Chair: Kasia Mika

# 12.15: Plenary Panel – Disaster Relief: Charity and Humanitarianism (Main Auditorium)

Martin Cottingham, Islamic Relief Hamid Azad, Muslim Aid

Chair: Shamira Meghani

13.00: Lunch Break

# 13.45: Creative Contributions for Kala Sangam performance (all delegates)

# 14.00: Plenary - Humanitarian Challenges (Main Auditorium)

Barry Munslow, Liverpool School of Tropical Medicine

Learning from the past whilst trapped in the present: humanitarian challenges now and for the future

Chair: Anthony Carrigan

# 14.15—16.00: Writing environmental justice: A participatory 'zine workshop (Room 3)

Melanie Böckmann, University of Bremen

# 14.45: Plenary Panel - Poetics of Recovery (Main Auditorium)

Anne Collett, University of Copenhagen

'Growing Towards New Meaning': Poetic response to the Great East Japan disaster of 3.11

Minoli Salgado, University of Sussex

Disasters natural and unnatural: Bearing witness to war and the tsunami in A Little Dust on the Eyes

Chair: John McLeod

### 15.30: Refreshment Break

## 15.45: Panel 5 - Framing Crisis and Emergency (Main Auditorium)

Agnes Woolley, Royal Holloway & Mariangela Palladino, Keele University Responding to crisis: Forced migration in the twenty-first century

Sam Haddow, Central School of Speech & Drama, University of London Framing an Emergency

Chair: Marjaana Jauhola

# 15.45 Panel 6: Writing Political Structures (Millennium Room)

Lucy Evans, University of Leicester

Writing on the 'verge of disaster': A noir aesthetic in Edwidge Danticat's Claire of the Sea Light

Nicola Robinson, University of York

Debating disaster reconstruction: The South Asia tsunami in Sri Lankan literature

Chair: Philip Kaisary

# **16.30:** Relocate for **Reframing Disaster: Commemoration and Creativity** (17.30–21.30 @ The Tetley; dinner incl. for conference participants; bar open till 11pm)

# Reframing Disaster: Commemoration and Creativity The Tetley, Hunslet Road, Leeds

- **5.30pm:** Anthony Carrigan, welcome and exhibition introduction
- **6.00pm:** Susan Meiselas interviewed by Jay Prosser
- 7.00pm: Dinner for conference participants
- 7.30pm: Francesca Moore on Bhopal: Facing 30
- 8.15pm: Minoli Salgado Q&A and reading from her poetry and new novel
  - A Little Dust on the Eyes
- **9.00pm:** Kala Sangam dance performance

# Saturday 29 November: Business School, University of Leeds

# 09.15: Registration and Refreshments

# 09.45: Panel I - Climates of Disaster (Maurice Keyworth LT G02)

Fuad Ali, University of Greenwich

Decolonising Macaulayian political ecologies: Through Rana Plaza and Motijheel

David Higgins, University of Leeds

Colonialism and climate change: Representing the Tambora eruption of 1815

Chair: Sourit Bhattacharya

### 09.45: Panel 2 – Humanitarian Continuities (Seminar Room 106)

Marjaana Jauhola, University of Helsinki

Everyday politics of post-disaster humanitarianism in the urban Banda Aceh, Indonesia

Malka Older, Institute of Political Studies, Sciences Po

Over Here and Over There: How the dynamic of humanitarian response is replicated and differentiated in domestic disasters

Chair: Ilan Kelman

## 10.30: Panel 3 - Time, Toxicity, and Resistance (Maurice Keyworth LT G02)

Arthur Rose, University of Leeds

Disastrous non-events: South African asbestosis and the absence of date

Amy M. Hay, University of Texas-Pan American

War in Vietnam and the war on drugs: Agent Orange herbicides in the global south

Chair: Mohammed Berrada

# 10.30: Panel 4 - Pakistan and Catastrophe (Seminar Room 106)

Humaira Saeed, Nottingham Trent University

Colonial culpability and national liberation: Narrativising the Partition of India and creation of Pakistan

Saira Dogar, University of Leeds

Tsunami as metaphor: Political rhetoric or real change in Pakistan?

Chair: Shamira Meghani

#### 11.15: Refreshment Break

# I 1.30: Panel 5 – Tsunamis, Megadams, and Water Wars: Reframing Hydropolitical Disaster (Maurice Keyworth LT G02)

Hannah Boast, University of York

Water wars and everyday disaster in Palestinian Literature and Film

Christine Gilmore, University of Leeds

National development, Nubian disaster: Slow violence and the legacy of the Aswan High Dam

Will Wright, University of Sheffield

Tourism, spectacle and consuming the tsunami

Chair: Lucy Evans

# 11.30: Panel 6 – Rwandan Graphic: Education, Reception, and the Literary and Cultural Response to 1994 (Seminar Room 106)

Frances Hemsley, University of Leeds Sam Knowles Jade Munslow Ong, University of Salford

Chair: Amy Rushton

# 12.30: Plenary - Palomares at 50 (Maurice Keyworth LT G02)

John Howard, King's College London

Chair: Anthony Carrigan

## 13.00: Lunch and poster presentation (Abdulrahman Bashwari, University of Leeds)

# 13.45: Pre-release Screening – Bhopal: A Prayer for Rain, dir. Ravi Kumar (Maurice Keyworth LT G02)

Starring Martin Sheen, Mischa Barton, and Kal Penn (96 mins)

Introduced by Clare Barker

#### 15.45: Refreshment Break

### 16.00: Plenary Panel - The Politics of Activism (Maurice Keyworth LT G02)

Clare Barker, University of Leeds

Disaster, disability, 'damage': Representing Bhopal's poster children

Pamela McCallum, University of Calgary

Disaster, distance, representation: Yolanda Dominguez's 'Fashion Victims'

Chair: Jacklyn Lacey

# 16.45: Panel 9 – Slow Violence, Unfolding Catastrophe (Maurice Keyworth LT G02)

Philip Kaisary, University of Warwick

The paradox of catastrophe: Richard Wright and the Mississippi flood of 1927

Sophia Brown, University of Kent

The slow violence of occupation: Narrating Palestinian life in East Jerusalem

Chair: Liam O'Loughlin

# 16.45: Workshop – Building Back Better? Post-Earthquake Haiti: A Disaster in the Making (Seminar Room 106)

Kasia Mika, University of Leeds and Haiti Support Group Eve Hayes de Kalaf, University of Aberdeen and Haiti Support Group

# 17.30: Roundtable – Reflections on Reframing Disaster (Maurice Keyworth LT G02)

18.00: Close

18:30: Drinks and food at Bundobust (near the train station)