

UCSD's Program in Transnational Korean Studies Launch Symposium

Cultures of Hot War Korea



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12:45 – 5pm

Huerta-Vera Cruz Room
Student Center

Hosted by **Todd A. Henry**
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This half-day event, the launch symposium for UCSD's new Program in Transnational Korean Studies (<http://koreanstudies.ucsd.edu/>), brings to campus three prominent scholars who are experts in the study of what has typically been called the "Cold War." However, rather than using the euphemistic term "cold" to denote an extended period of peace that was experienced in many parts of the West, this symposium will focus on the forms of violence, dislocation, and trauma created by the Korean War and ongoing hostilities on the peninsula, a situation we denote by the term "hot wars." We are especially interested in explaining this phenomenon through the lens of culture since the violence that resulted from the rivalries of the First and Second World Wars resulted in irreparable transformations in body politics, kinship patterns, and community relations.

Schedule of Events

Welcome by Project Director, **Todd A. Henry** (12:45-1:00)

Session 1

1:00-1:30 -- Lecture by **Katharine H.S. Moon** (Edith Stix Wasserman Professor, Asian Studies; Professor, Political Science, Wellesley College) "Remembering War and Militarizing Life: The Korean Peninsula"

1:30-1:40 -- Discussion by **Stephan M. Haggard** [Lawrence and Sallye Krause Professor of Korea-Pacific Studies; Director, Korea-Pacific Program (KPP), UCSD]

1:40-2:15 -- Responses and Q&A

Session 2

2:15-2:45 -- Lecture by **Heonik Kwon** (Senior Research Fellow in Social Science and Distinguished Research Professor of Social Anthropology, Trinity College, Cambridge University) "Guilty by Association: The Political Life of Kinship after the Korean War"

2:45-2:55 -- Discussion by **Yen Le Espiritu** (Professor, Ethnic Studies, UCSD)

2:55-3:30 -- Responses and Q&A

3:30-3:45 Break

Session 3

3:45-4:15 -- Lecture by **Christina Klein** (Associate Professor, English, Boston College) "Cold War Cosmopolitanism"

4:15-4:25 -- Discussion by **Daniel Widener** (Associate Professor, History, UCSD)

4:25-5:00 -- Responses and Q&A

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