The international symposium "Writing Emotions – Literature as Practice (19th to 21st Century)" presents the latest theories and research findings in the thematic field of emotions, which in recent years has become a central issue in literary and cultural studies. In the course of the three-day conference, the debate will focus on relevant questions in the current academic discussion. Dealing with interdisciplinary challenges as well as the complex connections of aesthetic and non-aesthetic conditionalities of emotions, the focus lies on the process and praxis of writing as a unifying theme. The conference offers a forum to engage with the topics of emotions and writing to both established researchers and excellent young researchers.

The conference is co-organised by a team of six PhD students of the interdisciplinary doctoral programme "Culture – Text – Act(ion)". The organisational team consists of Elisabeth Baldauf-Sommerbauer, Eva Fauner, Ingeborg Jandl, Sabine Schönfellner, Gudrun Tockner, and Lukas Waltl. The event takes place as a part of the European PhDnet "Literary and Cultural Studies", which is coordinated by the University of Giessen and a partner of the doctoral programme "Culture – Text – Act(ion)".

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Conference Programme

Wednesday, May 18th to Friday, May 20th RESOWI-Zentrum, Universitätsstraße 15 SR 15.21, Bauteil A, 2nd floor

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Wednesday, May 18th, 2016

13:30-14:00 Conference Opening

Welcome

SUSANNE KNALLER (Head of the Centre for Cultural Studies)

Conference Opening

PETER SCHERRER (Vice-Rector for Research and Junior Researchers' Promotion)

LUKAS MEYER (Dean of the Faculty of Arts and Humanities)

14:00-15:00

ANGELA CALDERÓN VILLARINO (Heidelberg University): Psychotic Writing as Emotional Aberration in Nerval's Aurélia

INGEBORG JANDL (University of Graz): Autism, Love and Writing in and around Russian Literature

15:00-15:30 Coffee break

15:30-17:00

RIIKA ROSSI (University of Helsinki): The Allure of Disgust? The Creation and Function of Negative Emotion Effects in Literary Naturalism

ANNA OVASKA (University of Helsinki/University of Giessen): The Detuned Self: An Enactivist View on Emotions in Narratives of Depression

MARIE DÜCKER (University of Graz): Cruel Optimism and Gaining Agency by Coming of Age through Writing on the Example of Stephen Chbosky's The Perks of Being a Wallflower

17:00-17:30 Coffee break

17:30-18:30 KEYNOTE

GESINE LENORE SCHIEWER (University of Bayreuth): The Author – Specialize(d) in Having Fun? Emotion Theories and Literary Studies

19:30 Reception at the Town Hall

Thursday, May 19th, 2016

9:30-11:00

LAURA OULANNE (University of Helsinki/University of Giessen): The Joyful Wound of Writing: Materiality and Positive Affect in Djuna Barnes's Short Fiction

YULIA MARFUTOVA (University of Münster): When the Author Is Not the Author of Passions: J.J. Engel's Herr Lorenz Stark and the Pathognomy of Style

EVA FAUNER (University of Graz/University of Giessen): Literary 'Stimm(ung)en' on Stage: Vocalized Emotion, Text Performance and the Sound of Writing

11:00- 11:30 Coffee break

11:30-13:00

JULIA GRILLMAYR (University of Vienna): "...which approximates I Love You"

TOM VANASSCHE (University of Freiburg): *Hiding One's Feelings: Emotionless Rhetoric in Peter Weiss's* Die Ermittlung *and Raul Hilberg's* The Destruction of the European Jews

OLESIA ZALKOWSKI (University of Graz): Soviet Emotions in Aitmatov's Childhood in Kirghizia (1998)?

Thursday, May 19th, 2016 — cont'd

13:00-14:00 Lunch

14:00-15:30

EMANUEL STELZER (University of Bergamo/University of Giessen): Inscribing Jealousy in Early Modern English Drama: Emotional Transactions in Shakespeare's Jealousy Plays and Massinger's The Picture

KATHARINA MANNEL (University of Bonn/University of Florence/Paris-Sorbonne University): Writing as Emotional Practice: Strategies of Coping with World War II through the Rewriting of the European Myth

ANGELA LOCATELLI (University of Bergamo): Emotion in Religion: Reading Freud, Otto Rank, and William James

15:30-16:00 Coffee break

16:00-17:00

NORA BERNING (University of Giessen): Riding Emotions: The Motorcycle as a Vehicle of Political E/Motions in Rachel Kushner's Novel The Flamethrowers (2013)

SILKE JANDL (University of Graz): Emotionality in You Tube Vlogs and Beyond: the Intermediality of Emotions

17:00-17:30 Coffee break

17:30-18:30

SABINE SCHÖNFELLNER (University of Graz/University of Giessen): "Slightly More Intelligent Monkeys": a Distancing Look at Human Emotions in Posthuman Fiction

HETA PYRHÖNEN (University of Helsinki): Spellbound by Love: The Twilight Saga as an Emotional Cultural Symptom

19:30 Conference Dinner

Friday, May 20th, 2016

10:00-11:00 KEYNOTE

VERA NÜNNING (Heidelberg University): The Affective Value of Fiction: Representing and Evoking Emotions

11:00-11:30 Coffee break

11:30-13:00

PIRJO LYYTIKAINEN (University of Helsinki): Written Emotions or How to Study Emotion Effects in Literature

ELISE NYKÄNEN (University of Helsinki/Ohio State University): Breaking the Ice, Freezing the Laughter: Authorial Empathy, Reader Response and the Kafkaesque Poetics of Guilt and Shame

IOANNA KIPPOUROU (University of Giessen/University of Graz): Literature as Cartography of Emotions: Ways of Being and (Be)longing in the Hispanic American Novel

13:00-14:00 Closing of the conference