

# AREA STUDIES SHOWCASE LECTURE SERIES: RUSSIA, EASTERN EUROPE, AND CENTRAL ASIA

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All Lectures will be streamed virtually - free and open to the public.



## *Imagining the Next Global Economy*

**RAWI ABDELAL**

Herbert F. Johnson Professor of International Management at Harvard Business School;  
Director of the Davis Center for Russian and Eurasian Studies, Harvard University

Tuesday  
September 15  
2:00pm EST  
1:00pm CST  
11:00am PST



## *The Caucasus: From Geopolitics to Geopoetics*

**HARSHA RAM**

Associate Professor, Departments of Slavic Languages and Literatures  
and Comparative Literature, University of California, Berkeley

Tuesday  
September 22  
2:00pm EST  
1:00pm CST  
11:00am PST



## *Anatomy of a Successful Forgery: The Czech Manuscripts*

**DAVID COOPER**

Associate Professor, Department of Slavic Languages and Literatures,  
University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign

Tuesday  
September 29  
2:00pm EST  
1:00pm CST  
11:00am PST



## *American Literary and Cultural Diplomacy during the Cold War:*

*Kurt Vonnegut in the USSR*

**SARAH PHILLIPS**

Professor of Anthropology; Director of the Russian and East European Institute,  
Indiana University

Wednesday  
October 7  
2:00pm EST  
1:00pm CST  
11:00am PST



## *Aging Nationally in Contemporary Poland:*

*Memory, Kinship, and Personhood*

**JESSICA ROBBINS**

Assistant Professor of Anthropology,  
Wayne State University

Wednesday  
October 14  
2:00pm EST  
1:00pm CST  
11:00am PST



## *Outsiders, Others, and Outcasts: Examining antiziganism and race-making in Albania*

**CHELSEI OHEURI WEST**

Assistant Professor of Slavic & Eurasian Studies,  
The University of Texas at Austin

Wednesday  
October 21  
2:00pm EST  
1:00pm CST  
11:00am PST



## *Jobs for Orphans, Taxes for Kulaks, and Love of Tractors:*

*Collectivization Oral Histories from Uzbekistan*

**MARIANNE KAMP**

Associate Professor of Central Eurasian Studies,  
Indiana University

Wednesday  
October 28  
2:00pm EST  
1:00pm CST  
11:00am PST



## *Musical Evolution and The Other: State-Sponsored Musical Evolutionism in the USSR and the Conundrum of Post-Soviet Crimean Tatar Indigenous Music*

**MARIA SONEVITSKY**

Assistant Professor of Music,  
University of California, Berkeley

Thursday  
November 5  
2:00pm EST  
1:00pm CST  
11:00am PST



## *Ukrainian Nationalism in the Age of Extremes*

**DR. TREVOR ERLACHER**

Academic Advisor at the Center for Russian, East European & Eurasian Studies,  
University of Pittsburgh

Thursday  
November 12  
2:00pm EST  
1:00pm CST  
11:00am PST



## *Soviet Judgment at Nuremberg:*

*Revisiting the International Military Tribunal on its 75th Anniversary*

**FRANCINE HIRSCH**

Vilas Distinguished Achievement Professor of History,  
University of Wisconsin - Madison

Thursday  
November 19  
5:00pm EST  
4:00pm CST  
2:00pm PST



## *Utopia's Discontents: Russian Émigrés and the Quest for Freedom*

**FAITH HILLIS**

Associate Professor of Russian History and the College,  
The University of Chicago

Thursday  
December 3  
2:00pm EST  
1:00pm CST  
11:00am PST



## *The Cold War from the Margins:*

*Socialist Bulgaria on the Global Cultural Scene*

**THEODORA DRAGOSTINOVA**

Associate Professor of History,  
The Ohio State University

Thursday  
December 10  
2:00pm EST  
1:00pm CST  
11:00am PST

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