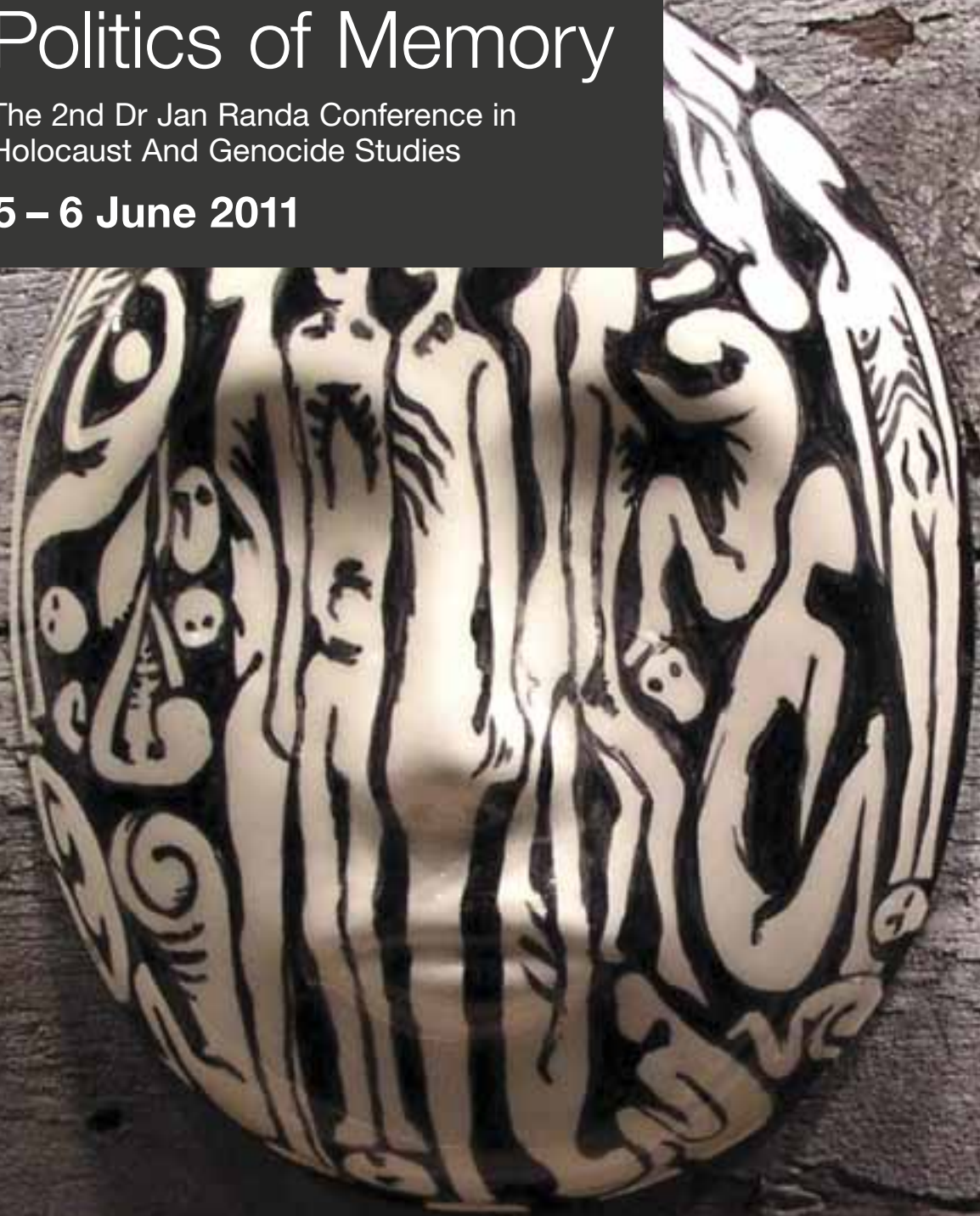


# Aftermath: The Politics of Memory

The 2nd Dr Jan Randa Conference in  
Holocaust And Genocide Studies

5 – 6 June 2011



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Australian Centre for Jewish Civilisation



# Welcome



The Aftermath conference series is the highlight of Monash University's program in Holocaust and Genocide studies led by the Australian Centre for Jewish Civilisation (ACJC). This interdisciplinary and cross-faculty program offers students at undergraduate and postgraduate levels the opportunity to study themes relating to the Holocaust, genocide, reconciliation, post-conflict and genocide prevention. The academic program also features several overseas units which travel to Europe to explore post-Holocaust memory and to Rwanda and South Africa to experience challenges in the aftermath of conflict. Student and academic research is supported by a range of scholarships and resources including the archives of the USC Shoah Foundation.

The Aftermath conference series in Holocaust and Genocide studies revitalises the memory of Dr Jan Randa – a scholar, teacher, lover of Hebrew culture, survivor of the Holocaust and post-war immigrant to Australia.

**Mark Baker**

Director, ACJC and Conference Chair

## Sunday 5 June

### Day 1: Politics of Holocaust Memory

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#### 9 – 9.45 am Registration

**Venue:** Foyer (ground floor, building H)

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#### 9.45 – 10 am Welcome

**Venue:** H1.16 (ground floor, building H)

**Welcome:** Associate Professor Mark Baker, Director ACJC

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#### 10 – 11 am Opening Keynote Address The Politics of Holocaust Memory

**Venue:** H1.16 (ground floor, building H)

**Keynote speaker:** Father Patrick Desbois

**Chair:** Associate Professor Mark Baker

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#### 11 – 11.30 am Morning tea

**Venue:** H1.16 foyer area (ground floor, building H)

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#### 11.30 am – 12.45 pm

#### Neighbours: Memory in Post-War Poland

**Venue:** H1.16 (ground floor, building H)

**Keynote speaker:** Professor Jan T. Gross

**Respondent:** Krystyna Duszniak

**Chair:** Michael Gawenda

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#### 12.45 – 2 pm Lunch

**Venue:** Basement (Building H)

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#### 2 – 3.15 pm

#### Memory and Holocaust Denial: The Case of Lithuania

**Venue:** H1.16 (ground floor, building H)

**Keynote speaker:** Professor Dovid Katz

**Respondent:** Professor Konrad Kwiet

**Chair:** Dr Donna-Lee Frieze

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#### 3.15 – 3.45 pm Afternoon tea

**Venue:** H1.16 foyer area (ground floor, building H)

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#### 3.45 – 5.15pm

#### Holocaust Memory in America and Israel

**Venue:** H1.16 (ground floor, building H)

**Keynote speakers:**

Professor Laura Levitt

Looking Out from Under a Long Shadow: Holocaust Memory in 21st Century America

Professor Na'ama Sheffi

Challenging the Canon: Shoah perceptions in Israel in the Internet era.

**Chair:** Professor Suzanne Rutland

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#### 8 – 9.30 pm Roundtable

#### Bloodlands: Reframing the Holocaust

**Venue:** H1.16 (ground floor, building H)

Timothy Snyder's book *Bloodlands: Europe between Hitler and Stalin* is the most recent attempt to reframe the Holocaust using a new historical paradigm.

This panel on the Holocaust and the politics of history will be introduced via live-link by author, Professor Timothy Snyder and chaired by Mark Baker.

**Participants:** Professor Jan Gross, Professor Dovid Katz, Father Patrick Desbois

# Monday 6 June

## Day 2: Politics of Genocide Memory

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### 8.30 – 9 am Registration

Venue: Foyer (ground floor, building H)

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### 9 – 10.15 am Parallel sessions

#### Interpreting Genocide: Global Responses

Chair: Pauline Rockman

Venue: H1.25

**Professor Anuradha Bhattacharjee**

The Indian Jewish Community and its association with the Holocaust and Yom Hashoah: A Preliminary Study

**Salvador Orti Camallonga**

Reflections without Self Reflection: Interpreting the Holocaust in Fascist Spain (1945-1975)

#### Australian Stories

Chair: Dr David Slucki

Venue: Level 8, ACJC

**Dr Fay Anderson**

They are killing all of us Jews: Australian Press Representation of the Holocaust

**Dr Adam Brown**

This Band of Murderous Little Bastards... 'Native Police', The 'Grey Zone' and Australia's Genocidal Past

**Dr Andrew Gunstone**

Reconciliation and the Great Australian Silence

#### Remembering, Forgetting and Denial

Chair: Dr Anna Hueneke

Venue: H1.26

**Rebekah Moore**

A Holocaust the West Forgot: Reflections on the Memory Culture of the Ukrainian Holodomor

**Dr Tom Lawson**

Remembering the Holocaust and Forgetting Genocide in British Culture

**Jessica Caldwell**

Holocaust Denial in New Zealand: the Case of Joel Hayward

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### 10.15 – 11.15 am

#### The Politics of Memory

Venue: H1.16 (ground floor, building H)

Keynote speaker: **Professor Raimond Gaita**

Respondent and chair: Dr Michael Fagenblat

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### 11.15 – 11.30 am Morning tea

Venue: H1.16 foyer area (ground floor, building H)

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### 11.30 am – 12.45 pm Parallel sessions

#### Interpreting 'Culture' and 'Space'

Chair: Myer Bloom

Venue: Level 8, ACJC

**Dr Danielle Drozdowski**

Knowing (or not) about Katyn: Creating alternate spaces for collective memory transfer

**Dr Donna-Lee Frieze**

Genos-The Human Group: A look at the Embedded Notion of Culture, Memory and Identity in the Concept of Genocide as Perceived by Raphael Lemkin

#### Re-Examining Perpetrators, Victims and Rescuers

Chair: Annabelle Baldwin

Venue: H1.25

**Dr Deb Waterhouse-Watson & Adam Brown**

Sexing up the Holocaust: Exhibiting the Eroticised Body for the Camera's Gaze

**Kimberly Partee**

Ordinary Women: Female Perpetrators of Genocide

#### Testimonies and Museums

Chair: Dr Helen Light

Venue: H1.26

**Professor Konrad Kwiet**

The Bucharest Testimonies

**Dr Avril Alba**

Negative Epiphany: From Sinai to Washington

**Jayne Josem**

Once we are gone who is going to talk about them? The future of Remembrance

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### 12.45 – 1.45 pm Lunch

Venue: Basement (Building H)

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### 1.45 – 3.15 pm

#### Genocide: The Australian Question

Venue: H1.16 (ground floor, building H)

Keynote speakers: **Professor Andrew Markus and Dr Paul Bartrop**

Respondent and chair: Professor Alistair Thomson

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### 3.15 – 3.45 pm Afternoon tea

Venue: H1.16 foyer area (ground floor, building H)

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# Monday 6 June

## Day 2: Politics of Genocide Memory

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### 3.45 – 5 pm Parallel sessions

#### Truth, Reconciliation and Dialogue

**Chair:** Sue Hampel

**Venue:** H1.26

**Dr Naniso Tswai**

The conflict between nostalgia and The Rainbow Nation project: discussing home and belonging in post-apartheid South Africa

**Tali Nates**

The Holocaust through the eyes of the Second Generation – a German Jewish Dialogue

**Associate Professor Ravi de Costa**

The Politics of Truth and Reconciliation in Canada

#### Memory, Trauma and Recovery

**Chair:** Dr Avril Alba

**Venue:** Level 8, ACJC

**Professor Naomi Graetz**

Trauma and Recovery: The Akeda and the Holocaust in the Collective Memory of the People

**Dr Paul Valent**

How is the Holocaust Remembered?

#### Debates over Memory

**Chair:** Dr Margaret Taft

**Venue:** H1.25

**Professor Suzanne Rutland**

Returning to Poland: The Australian Debates over March of the Living

**Danielle Christmas**

Resituating Eichmann, Relocating Justice: Extra-Legal Theories of Justice in Holocaust Trial Films

**Dr Raymond Orr**

The Weight of Immense Loss: American Indian Memory, Melancholy and Decision Making

#### Memory Sites as Holocaust Representations

**Chair:** Dr Miriam Munz

**Venue:** H2.20

**Myer Bloom**

Holocaust memorial sites and remembrance

**Dr Esther Jilovsky**

The Place of Memory or the Memory of Place?

The Representation of Auschwitz in Holocaust Memoirs

**Dr Anna Hueneke**

A Dangerous Memory: From Politics to Poetry

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### 5 – 6.15 pm

#### Closing address: Can Genocides be Compared?

**Venue:** H1.16 (ground floor, building H)

**Keynote speaker:** **Dr Stephen Smith** (ADC Gandel Orator)

**Chair and moderator:** Associate Professor Mark Baker

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### 6.15 pm

#### Conference close

**Please note:** The program is subject to change due to late amendments.

We thank Yahad-in-Unum ([www.yahadinunum.org](http://www.yahadinunum.org)) for facilitating the Holocaust by Bullets photographic exhibition.

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