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THURSDAY APRIL 20, 2006

- 5:00 – 7:00 Opening Reception: **Sponsored by the Center for Ethics and Values, California State University, Northridge, Dr. Oscar R. Marti, Director.
Location: Ventura County Museum of History & Art (100 Main Street)
- 5:00 – 9:00 Registration. Location: Ventura County Museum of History & Art
- 6:30 – 8:00 SEA Editorial Board Meeting. Location: Small Conference Room, Clocktower Inn
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FRIDAY APRIL 21, 2006

Location for all Paper Sessions: The Clocktower Inn

- 7:30 – 10:00 Registration, Hotel Lobby
- 7:50 – 8:00 Welcome and Introductory Remarks:
Kate Browne, Lynne Milgram, and Paul Rivera

SESSION 1: Finding the Moral in the Economic

Chair: Robert Hunt

- 8:00 – 8:45 **Rhoda Halperin** (Montclair State U) Gifting the Children: The Moral Economy of a Community School
- 8:45 – 9:30 **Joel Robbins** (U Calif, San Diego) Rethinking Gifts and Commodities: Reciprocity, Recognition, and the Morality of Exchange
- 9:30 – 10:15 **Gracia Clark** (Indiana U) Moralizing in Development Discourse
- 10:15 - 10:30 *Coffee Break*

SESSION 2: Outside the Law, Inside the Norms

Chair: Dolores Koenig

- 10:30 – 11:15 **Janet MacGaffey** (Bucknell U) Economies of Favors: “Helping Each Other Out” in Pennsylvania’s Anthracite Towns, *Blat in the USSR*, *Debrouillez-Vous* in the Democratic Republic of Congo

11:15 – 12:00 **Rebecca Prentice** (U of Sussex) *‘Thieving a Chance’*: Moral Meanings of Theft in a Trinidadian Garment Factory

12:00 – 2:00 ***Business Lunch and the Schneider Graduate Prize Winner Presentation***

Location: Yolie's Grill (138 Main Street)

Gavin Whitelaw (Yale U) *Dénouement or De Novo?* A Social History of the American Clothesline

SESSION 3: Moral Tangles of Intellectual and Cultural Property

Chair: Walter Little

2:00 – 2:45 **Matt West** (The Chinese U of Hong Kong) The Morality and Business of Disc Piracy in China: The Creation, Commoditization, and Contestation of Intangible Property

2:45 – 3:30 **Kathy M’Closkey** (U of Windsor) Provenance, Pedigree and Poverty: Unraveling the Narratives of Nostalgia Spun by Museologists about Navajo Weavers and their Textiles

3:30 – 4:00 *Coffee Break*

4:00 – 4:45 **Georgia Fox** (California State U, Chico) Sacred Stories and Living Canoes: Negotiating Chumash Cultural Heritage at the Santa Barbara Maritime Museum

Poster Session and Keynote Address: Ventura County Museum of History & Art

4:45 – 6:00 **Poster Session** (See the attached list of presentations)

6:00 – 7:00 ***Distinguished Lecture***: Dr. Lourdes Benería (Cornell U)
“Economics, Ethics and Human Development: A Feminist Perspective”

7:00 – Dinner on your own

SATURDAY APRIL 22, 2006

7:30 – 8:00 a.m. Registration, Hotel Lobby

SESSION 4: Staking Out Moral Ground within Capitalist Structures

Chair: Sutti Ortiz

8:00 – 8:45 **Christina Garsten** and **Tor Hernes** (Stockholm U) Beyond CSR—Dilemmas and Paradoxes of Ethical Conduct in Transnational Organizations

8:45 – 9:30 **Cynthia Werner** (Texas A&M) Patriotism, Profits and Waste: The Moral Dimensions of Low-Level Radioactive Waste Disposal in Texas

9:30 – 10:15 **Aaron Pitluck** (Illinois State U) Moral Behavior in High Finance

10:15 – 10:30 *Coffee Break*

10:30 – 11:15 **Dinah Rajak** (U of Sussex) "I am the Conscience of the Company": Responsibility and the Gift in a Transnational Mining Corporation

11:15 – 12:00 **Catherine Dolan** (Northeastern U) Fields of Redemption: Rooting Ethical Consumption in Kenyan Horticulture

12:00 – 1:30 *Lunch on your own*

SESSION 5: Costs and Conflicts of Competing Moral Orders

Chair: Alan Smart

1:30 – 2:15 **Robert Adlam** (Mount Allison U) Traps of Contention: Moral Dilemmas in an East Coast Lobster Fishery

2:15 – 3:00 **Andrew Walsh** (U of Western Ontario) The Grift: Getting "Burned" in a Northern Malagasy Mining Town

3:00 – 3:15 *Coffee Break*

3:15 – 4:00 **Gwyn Williams** (U of Sussex) The Problem of Coherent Action in a Neoliberal world: Morality and Political Activism in Southern France

4:00 – 4:45 **Erin Kenny** (Drury U) Pilgrimage, Pious Gifts, and the Performance of Spiritual Capital in Upper Guinea

4:45 – 6:00 *Collective Discussion of Conference Papers*

6:00 – 7:00 Drinks (Cash Bar) at restaurant, "Landmark 78" (211 Santa Clara Street)

7:00 – SEA Banquet, Landmark 78

List of Poster Presentations
Friday, April 20, 2006 – 4:45 - 6:00 p.m.

Location: Ventura County Museum of History & Art

- Allison BARRETT (Colorado State U) Moral Consumption in American Anime Fans.
- Neil CARRIER (U of Oxford) Trust, Suspicion and Morality in the Kenyan Khat Trade.
- M. Bianet, CASTELLANOS (U. of Minnesota) Don Teo's Expulsion: Property Rights, Moral Ideologies, and Ejido Reform.
- John CHAMBLEE (U. of Arizona), Bruce ANDERSON (U. of Arizona), and Rocío MAGANA (U. of Chicago). Undocumented Immigrant Laborers and U.S. Border Policies in the American Southwest.
- Pam GODDE (U of California, San Diego) Of Fishing and Fish Houses: The Renewal of Moral Worlds in the Outer Banks, North Carolina.
- Lourdes GUTIERREZ NAJERA (Dartmouth C) Beyond the Pueblo: Transnational Migration, Communal Labor, and the Moral Economy.
- Julie HOGELAND (USDA/Rural Development Co-Op Programs) The "Competitive Yardstick" VS "Vaguely Defined Property Rights:" Contesting Moral Systems for Agricultural Cooperatives.
- Cindy Kline ISENHOUR (U of Kentucky) Moral, Egoistic or Rational? Comparing Assumptions about Sustainable Consumers in Sweden and the US."
- David KYADDONDO (Makerere U, Uganda) "Even a Two-Year Old Understands Money:" The Morality of Child Labour in the Changing Economy of Eastern Uganda.
- Walter LITTLE (U at Albany, SUNY) Maya Daykeepers, New Spiritual Clients, and the Morality of Making Money.
- Tomomi NAKA (U of Iowa) Sundays and the Rest of the Week: Mennonite Religious Beliefs and Occupational Pursuits.
- John NAPORA (U. of South Florida). The Moral Idiom of Exchange in a Moroccan Market.
- Taylor NELMS (Ohio State U) and Jeffrey COHEN (Ohio State U) Negotiating the Ideal Family through Conversational Narrative: Relationships of Exchange in a Quiteño Family.

- Laurie OCCHIPINTI (Clarion U of Pennsylvania) Building a Moral Economy: Religious Idioms of Development.
- Marisol RODRIGUEZ, Mercy, SANCHEZ and Rebeca SILVA (University of California Irvine) The Anthropology of Money in Southern California.
- Mohammad Reza SAMANDI and Keveh FURHADI (Sharif U, Iran) Moral Co-operative Behavior in the Agricultural Economics of Iranian Peasants' Society.
- Julia SMITH (Eastern Washington U) Squatter/Settler/Trespasser: Contested Views of Land Occupation in Southern Costa Rica.
- Monica UDWARDY (U of Kentucky) Memorial Statues, Art Markets and Museums: The Morality Chain of the Global Trade in Cultural Property.
- Wini Puspa UTARI (U. of Kentucky) *Dana proyek, uang saku*: Understanding Project Beneficiaries' Perceptions of Project Funds and Incentives.
- Neeraj VEDWAN (Montclair C) Constructions of the State, Multinationals, and the Civil Society Under Globalization: A Case Study from India.
- Sveta YAMIN (U of Alaska, Fairbanks) Cash in the Woods: Codes of Conduct at a Commercial Mushroom Harvest.
- Jeremy ZUKAS (Penn State U) and Jeffrey H. COHEN (Ohio State U) Small Time Gambling and Friendship.