

1945-2015: German-American Encounters in Bavaria

International Conference, American Studies, University of Regensburg
Regensburg European American Forum
in cooperation with KZ-Gedenkstätte Flossenbürg
Conference Organizers: Birgit M. Bauridl, Ingrid Gessner, Udo Hebel

11-13 June 2015

Conference Program

THURSDAY, 11 JUNE 2015

Thon-Dittmer-Palais, City of Regensburg (former DAI), Haidplatz 8, Auditorium (2nd floor)

17:00 CONFERENCE OPENING

Dr. Birgit M. Bauridl and PD Dr. Ingrid Gessner

WELCOME REMARKS

Prof. Dr. Udo Hebel, Präsident der Universität Regensburg
Joachim Wolbergs, Oberbürgermeister der Stadt Regensburg
Bill E. Moeller, Consul General of the United States, Munich
Dr. Jörg Skriebeleit, KZ-Gedenkstätte Flossenbürg

OPENING LECTURE

Chair: Udo Hebel, University of Regensburg
Werner Sollors, Harvard University, USA: "Denazification: Questions about the Questionnaire"

RECEPTION

FRIDAY, 12 JUNE 2015

KZ-Gedenkstätte Flossenbürg / Flossenbuerg Concentration Camp Memorial and Museum
Coach transportation to Flossenbürg is available for registered conference participants.

10:00 TOUR of the Memorial and Exhibition at Flossenbürg and Discussion

13:00 LUNCH BREAK

14:00 PLENARY LECTURE

Chair: Birgit M. Bauridl, University of Regensburg
Stephan Bierling, University of Regensburg: "Home Alone: Was der Rückzug der USA aus der Alten Welt für Deutschland und Bayern bedeutet"

15:00 COFFEE BREAK

15:30 WORKSHOP I: German-American Encounters in Bavaria in War and Peace

Chair: Ingrid Gessner, University of Regensburg
Dr. Christa Schikorra, KZ-Gedenkstätte Flossenbürg: "Bilder des Schreckens—Frühe Fotos und Filme der nationalsozialistischen Verbrechen und ihre Rezeption"
Roman Smolorz, University of Regensburg/Stadtarchiv Regensburg: "Nach dem Krieg ist vor dem Krieg: Deutsch-amerikanische Begegnungen in wechselnder Feind-Verbündeter-Perspektive"
Birgit M. Bauridl, University of Regensburg: "'Nach Hause in die Oberpfalz': The Grafenwöhr Training Area as Transnational Site"

17:30 End of Conference Day

20:30 Informal Get-together in Regensburg

SATURDAY, 13 JUNE 2015

University of Regensburg, "Altes Finanzamt," Landshuter Str. 4, Room 319 (3rd floor)

9:00 PLENARY LECTURE

Chair: Susanne Leikam, University of Regensburg
Volker Depkat, University of Regensburg: "The Amerika Haus in Munich and the Ups and Downs of German-American Encounters in Bavaria"

10:00 PLENARY LECTURE

Chair: Ingrid Gessner, University of Regensburg
Heike Paul, Friedrich-Alexander-University Erlangen-Nuremberg: "Abe Meets Alois: Post-1945 Bavarian (Re-)Education"

11:00 COFFEE BREAK

11:30 WORKSHOP II: European-American Transnational Histories and Narratives

Chair: Gerlinde Groitl, University of Regensburg
Zeno Ackermann, University of Frankfurt: "At War's End: American Perspectives and German Dispositions in Saul Padover's *Experiment in Germany* (1946) and Gustave Gilbert's *Nuremberg Diary* (1947)"
Frank Mehring, Radboud University Nijmegen, The Netherlands: "Remapping the lingua franca of Jazz: Popular Sheet Music and the Soundtrack of Liberation between 'Bouncin in Bavaria' and Snoezepoes 'Down by the Old Dutch Mill'"

13:00 CLOSING REMARKS and End of Conference – Conference Organizers

For all further information, please see the conference website:

<http://www.uni-regensburg.de/language-literature-culture/american-studies/con2015-america-bavaria/index.html>