International Interdisciplinary Seminar
The Philosophical Power of Narrative

May 26, 2016

The seminar engages the relation between narrative and philosophy. It will address biopolitics, affect and representation from the vantage of narrative genres and rhetorical modes. Focusing on a range of visual, narrative, and theoretical works, speakers will interrogate the modalities that connect rhetorical stances, modes of discourse and aesthetic productions to bodies and to the production of affective responses, thus exploring the relation between representation, epistemology, affective modalities and control.

10:00 – 12:30 Aula A2, ex ospedaletto

Cary Wolfe, Rice University
“The (Less than Divine) Comedy of the (Bio)political”

Timothy Campbell, Cornell University: “No Give and Take: Biopolitics and the Generous Form of Life”

14:30 – 16:30 Aula Capitelli, ex ospedaletto


Josefina Birules Bertran, University of Barcelona: “Imagination Drills: Notes on Hannah Arendt and Literature”

Participants

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