

Spring 2021



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Jameh Mosque of Kerman

Council on Middle East Studies Colloquium

February 18
12:00 pm

Margins of Freedom: Censorship, Critique, and Contemporary Art in the UAE
BETH DERDERIAN – The College of Wooster
Hosted by Vish Sakthivel

March 4
12:00 pm

Insurgent Aesthetics: Security and the Queer Life of the Forever War
RONAK KAPADIA – University of Illinois Chicago
Hosted by Najwa Mayer

March 11
12:00 pm

Saudi Arizona: The Past and Present of Arid Empire and Desert-to-Desert Connections
NATALIE KOCH – Syracuse University
Hosted by Jonathan Wyrzten

March 18
12:00 pm

Ahmed Benyahia, Artist: The Provenance of an Algerian Public Sculpture
SUSAN SLYOMOVICS – University of California, Los Angeles
Hosted by Vish Sakthivel

April 1
12:00 pm

When Wounds Travel: Ecologies of Wounds and Wounding East of the Mediterranean
OMAR AL DEWACHI – Rutgers University
Hosted by Kaveh Khoshnood

April 15
12:00 pm

Opposition: Identity and Ideology in Kuwaiti Electoral Politics
DANIEL TAVANA – Yale University
Hosted by Elizabeth Nugent

April 29
12:00 pm

“Moderate Islam”: The Polemics of Religion and Belonging in Post-Conflict Algeria
VISH SAKTHIVEL – Yale University
Hosted by Jonathan Wyrzten

*Unless otherwise noted, all lectures will be online via zoom