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SEMINARS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

JUNE-JULY, 2019

CALENDAR

Interdisciplinary Seminars & Events

6/1 Music & Culture/Music Therapy ~ Meet visiting scholars

Dr. Svanibor Pettan and Dr. Lasanthi Manaranjanie Kalinga Dona

6/10 Yack & Hack: WISR's Future As An Online Learning Institution

7/8 Yack & Hack: WISR's Future As An Online Learning Institution

7/12 Halcyon Beginnings of the New Sweden Colony in Delaware

7/20 LGBTQI Cultural Competency, Awareness and Humility: Training and Discussion: MFT and Interdisciplinary Seminar

MFT Seminars (w/CEUs* see details below)

6/15 Sorry Is Not Enough, Infidelity And Betrayal In Couples And Couple Therapy, Part I

7/13 Sorry Is Not Enough, Infidelity And Betrayal In Couples And Couple Therapy, Part II

7/20 LGBTQI Cultural Competency, Awareness and Humility: Training and Discussion: MFT and Interdisciplinary Seminar

Special Announcements: 11th Annual Conference: Thursday-Saturday, October 24-26, 2018

Invitation to Help Catalogue WISR's Library!

WISR alumnus Jake Sloan's book *Standing Tall*, featured in *The Boule Journal*

WISR Sidewalk Exhibitions at Farmers Markets: You are invited to join us to tell people about WISR while you shop for locally grown produce. Bring your own promotional items to display along WISR's Exhibit Table. Tell people how WISR collaborates with your organization to enrich the community. (Contact Dalia.Liang@wisr.edu if you can volunteer.)

Grand Lake Farmers Market, Saturday, June 9, 9:00am-2:00pm, Lake Park Ave, Oakl.

Temescal Farmers Market, Sunday, June 9, 9:00am-1:00pm 5300 Claremont Ave, Oakl.

June is LGBTQI pride month! This is celebrated in honor of the 1969 Stonewall Riots in Manhattan. The Stonewall riots were a tipping point for the Gay Liberation Movement in the United States. The Bay area has a plethora of pride events including Frameline Film Festival, Art and Music shows and exhibits, parades, marches, workshops, kids events and so much more. Memorials are held during this month for those members of the community who have been lost to hate crimes or HIV/AIDS. The purpose of the commemorative month is to recognize the impact that lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender individuals have had on history locally, nationally, and internationally. The queer contribution to collective human dignity throughout time has gone largely unseen, undermined and unnoticed. These contributions are critical to societies being humane. Queer communities and especially queer communities of color have worked tirelessly to ensure basic human rights while bearing the brunt of racism and homophobia and/or



Prospective students and Community Learners are invited to attend these seminars. **Contact WISR if you need a ride from the BART or want to carpool. Please avoid wearing perfume or cologne to WISR gatherings as requested by those with asthma & allergies.**

transphobia. LGBTQI history month is in October, but June is the month to celebrate, educate and stand in pride for queer communities all over the world.

*Although not in June, there will be a Seminar on Queerness on July 20th at 10am, facilitated by WISR Doctoral Student Rosa Reinikainen. Come and learn more about **queer experience, history, and contribution to the democracy.***



A NOTE ABOUT RECORDING EVENTS AT WISR: As part of WISR's development of content for our online learning courses, it is important that we record seminars, which can be accessed ONLY by members of the WISR Learning Community and no one else.

However, if there is a particular seminar or portion of a seminar that will make an individual feel uncomfortable and or that puts their privacy in jeopardy, as an exception to the rule, we will not record that session (or will delete a requested session or portion of a session), if we are notified by the concerned party within 24 hours of the end of that seminar. Recordings from the Annual Conference, Graduation Ceremonies, and some parts of the All School Gatherings may be posted to a larger audience on our website, and by participating in those events, an individual agrees to our sharing photos, video and audio of those events.

Look for our page and group on Facebook, also WISRBerkeley on Twitter. Contact us if you want to join our seminars virtually by Zoom or phone. If you have difficulty logging in, go to <https://support.zoom.us/hc/en-us/articles/201362003-Zoom-Technical-Support> and click on the blue "Help" button. *International numbers are available.*

INTERDISCIPLINARY SEMINAR(S) are a way for WISR students to learn about core subjects of social change, writing, multiculturalism, adult/higher education, community leadership and social action-research. Community members are welcome to participate as well. Students are strongly requested to participate in at least one seminar each month, unless they have an unavoidable conflict. *Students also have the option of creating seminars on topics of interest, of forming their own peer discussion groups, and developing regular collaborations with other WISR students.*

YACK & HACK: WISR'S FUTURE AS AN ONLINE LEARNING INSTITUTION

Monday, June 10th, July 8th....

6-8pm with Mark Wilson, WISR's Learning Designer \ Technologist. Meets the 2nd Monday of each month, 6-8pm.

Join us to discuss WISR's future, online learning, and how we use Google's Education Suite and other free digital technologies to create, access, and distribute educational resources worldwide. The public is welcome and everyone should bring a laptop if they have one. **The June 10th seminar may only be online--RSVP Mark Wilson (see email below) if you are thinking of attending in person.** To join from a distance use **Zoom Meeting ID 774 808 774** <https://zoom.us/j/774808774>; or by phone **669 900 6833**. For help with technical difficulties call **510 655 2830** or email mark.wilson@wisr.edu or john.bilorusky@wisr.edu.



MUSIC & CULTURE/MUSIC THERAPY

Saturday, June 1, 10am-12pm. Meet two visiting scholars at Berkeley for a talk on music and culture, music therapy and human dignity and humiliation studies. **Join us for a discussion on music, politics and war, minorities, multiculturalism, gender, and applied ethnomusicology.**

Dr. Svanibor Pettan is a visiting professor at the University of California-Berkeley in the Spring semester 2019 and teaches the course *Music and Minorities in Europe*. He is professor and chair in ethnomusicology at the University of Ljubljana, Slovenia. Among his recent publications are the documentary with study-guide, *Kosovo Through the Eyes of Local Romani (Gypsy) Musicians* and the just-released (February 2019) three volumes of *The Oxford Handbook of Applied Ethnomusicology*, which he co-edited with Jeff Todd Titon.



Dr. Lasanthi Manaranjanie Kalinga Dona holds a PhD in musicology (with focus on medical ethnomusicology and music therapy) from the University of Ljubljana, Slovenia. She represents Sri Lanka in the **International Council for Traditional Music (ICTM)** and performs Indian classical and Sri Lankan traditional music as a singer and violinist. She is the author of *Music and Healing Rituals of Sri Lanka: Their Relevance for Community Music Therapy and Medical Ethnomusicology*.



From a distance use **Zoom Meeting ID, 267 135 068**, <https://zoom.us/j/267135068> or by phone, **669 900 6833**. If you have technical difficulties call **510 655 2830** or email john.bilorusky@wisr.edu.

Halcyon Beginnings of the New Sweden Colony in Delaware:

A Story about Colonialism, Indigenous People, Indentured Servants and Slaves

Friday, July 12th

6pm Potluck (Bring your favorite dish from your cultural heritage.); **7pm Program (with Zoom)**
Marilyn Jackson, PhD, WISR Faculty, Facilitator, will relate the story of the first Swedish colony in Delaware near Philadelphia in the mid 1600s and show pictures from her recent visit there. She learned not only about the competing colonies from Europe including New Sweden, but also about the Forest Finns, involuntarily brought to labor, who were partly descended from the Saami people, indigenous to Scandinavia. Marilyn will also share what she has learned about the beginnings of slavery on this continent that involved Whites, Blacks and Indians and how Blacks' routes to escape slavery became closed off by the end of the century while Whites who were also indentured, could one day be released. The colony of New Sweden it is said, got along with the

local Native Americans and didn't have slaves in the mid 1600s. The stories from this halcyon period give us a way to talk about the relationships among classes of people from around the world who built the United States. **To join from a distance use Zoom Meeting ID, 774 137 034, <https://zoom.us/j/774137034>** or by phone, 669 900 6833. If you have technical difficulties call 510 655 2830 or email marilyn.jackson@wisr.edu.



LGBTQI Cultural Competency, Awareness and Humility: Training and Discussion: MFT and Interdisciplinary Seminar

Saturday, July 28th, 10am to 12pm

Rosa Reinikainen MFT, WISR EdD Student with John Bilorusky, WISR Faculty, Facilitator

It is critical when working as MFT's, educators and community members that we gain some cultural awareness around working with LGBTQI people. It is inevitable that working, living and learning in this culture that we will have interactions with this population. In order to not do harm we must increase our awareness and humility in working with others. This seminar is intended to create a safe and inclusive learning environment for everyone at WISR. Participants will be able to use this information into their career and beyond.

To join from a distance use **Zoom Meeting ID, 900 463 456, <https://zoom.us/j/900463456>** or by phone, 669 900 6833. If you have technical difficulties call 510 655 2830 or email john.bilorusky@wisr.edu.

MARRIAGE FAMILY THERAPY (MFT) SEMINARS are for WISR students pursuing an MFT and/or LPCC license. Other interested persons are welcome to attend (on site or by video conference) and receive CEU credit for MFTs and LPCCs, but you must RSVP the faculty member (see email contact info below) in advance.

*WISR students not in the MFT program may get CEU credit for no additional charge, others pay \$40. *These seminars are typically held at WISR from 10am to 12 or 1pm (as listed) with a short break; often students bring a snack. MFT students must participate in a total of 48 such seminars in order to graduate. These required seminars for our MS program lead to the State of California's MFT and LPCC licenses and are now available by telephone conference call and video webinar.*

SORRY IS NOT ENOUGH, INFIDELITY AND BETRAYAL IN COUPLES AND COUPLE THERAPY, Part I

Saturday, June 15, 10am-1pm

Saturday, July 13, 10am-1pm, Part II

Ronald Mah, MA, LMFT, PhD, WISR Faculty. Despite social, cultural, and personal standards of monogamy, affairs remain prevalent in many committed couples. Possibly the most difficult challenge in couple therapy, infidelity in a committed couple can manifest in a variety of forms and for a variety of reasons that reflect the personality and issues of unfaithful partners. The student



and therapist is guided in making accurate assessment of causes and types of affairs leading to therapeutic strategies. Reality that apology no matter how sincere is not enough for recovery lead to areas of clinical exploration. Gender and cultural standards and differences are differentiated as well as characterological issues including personality disorders in the assessment process.

Authentic and inauthentic forgiveness in recovery, along with acceptance as an alternative approach/process are examined for reconciliation, as well as the roles of the unfaithful partner and the offended partner in creating the context of infidelity. Immediate considerations at the beginning of treatment including boundaries, decision-making, and discussing the impact of the affair lead to issues of intense scrutiny, transparency, flashbacks, trauma, and assessment of commitment along with etiological considerations such as attachment losses, social modeling, and family-of-origin dynamics that guide the therapist to identify the logic of infidelity and thus, the logic of recovery.

To join from a distance, for the June 15th seminar, use **Zoom Meeting ID, 396 304 030**, <https://zoom.us/j/396304030>, or by phone **669 900 6833**. To RSVP or for help with technical difficulties call **510 655 2830** or email ronald.mah@wisr.edu or john.bilorusky@wisr.edu and provide a phone# in case of technical difficulties.



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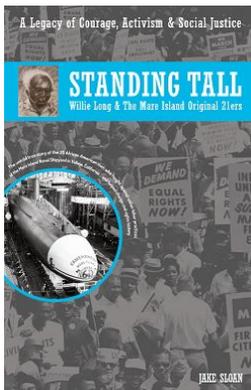
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Help Catalogue WISR's Library! We are in the midst of cataloging the books in WISR's library. We very much need a half dozen, or more people who can volunteer about 4 hours per week for at least several months.

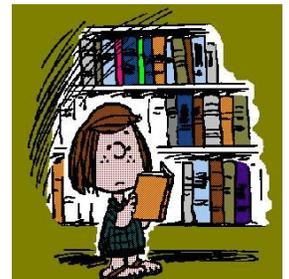
Training is provided. *Requirements for volunteers include:*

- 1) *Be able to read and follow detailed instructions.*
- 2) *Have good computer, typing, and internet use skills.*
- 3) *Are able to meet with the Librarian on weekends*

Please contact cynthia.roberson@wisr.edu or mail@wisr.edu for more information.



WISR alumnus Jake Sloan and his book *Standing Tall, Willie Long and The Mare Island Original 21ers* are featured in *The Boule Journal* of Sigma Pi Phi Fraternity, the nation's first black Greek-letter Fraternity. See page 45.



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