Time and Temporality in Theme Parks

September 18-20, 2014 – Johannes Gutenberg University Mainz, Germany

Thursday, 18 September 2014

04:00 P.M. Participants' Arrival and Registration

05:00 P.M. Conference Opening

Keynote I: The Theme Park Is Dead, Long Live the Theme Park!

Scott A. Lukas (Lake Tahoe Community College, USA)

07:00 P.M. Conference Warming

Friday, 19 September 2014

09:00 A.M. Panel I: Theme Parks and the U.S.

Revisiting Past Futures at the 1939 New York World's Fair *Astrid Böger (U Hamburg, Germany)*

It's a Small World After All: Theme Parks and New Urbanism in the American Imaginary

Markus Reisenleitner (York U, Canada)

Coney Island Films and Non-Teleological Temporalities Simon Dickel (Ruhr U, Germany)

11:00 A.M. Coffee Break

11:30 A.M. Panel II: Theme Park Theory

Introducing Theme Park Theory

David Younger (U of Lincoln, UK)

Theme Park Time: Leisure as Distraction and Boredom Hai Ren (U of Arizona)

12:30 P.M. Lunch Break

02:00 P.M. Panel III: Past/Times I

Changing Concepts of Temporality: From Age to Pastness in Heritage and Theme Parks

Cornelius Holtorf (Linnaeus U, Sweden)

XVIII Century Attractions: The Multitemporality of the Museum-Reserve "Tsaritsyno"

Natalia Samutina & Boris Stepanov (National Research University Higher School of Economics, Russia)

Creating a Model City for the Future by Referring to the Past: Aspects of Temporality at *Huis Ten Bosch*

Michiko Uike-Bohrmann (U of Freiburg, Germany)

03:30 P.M. Coffee Break

04:00 P.M. Panel IV: Designing the Park

Temporality as Storyline, in the Design of Themed Environments Gordon S. Grice (Forrec Ltd., Canada)

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Ariane Schwarz (JGU Mainz, Germany)

07:00 P.M. Conference Dinner

Saturday, 20 September 2014

09:00 A.M. **Keynote II:** Here You Leave Time

Mark Gottdiener (U at Buffalo, USA)

10:15 A.M. Coffee Break

10:30 A.M. Panel V: Past/Times II

Themeparks, Nostalgia, Retro

Susan Ingram (York U, Canada)

Et in Chronotopia Ego: Main Street-architecture as a Rhetorical

Device at Theme Parks and Outlet Villages

Per Strömberg (Telemark U, Norway)

Mini Israel and the Subversive Present

Michael Feige (Ben-Gurion U, Israel)

12:00 P.M. Coffee Break

12:30 P.M. Panel VI: Situating the Theme Park

Künstliche Erlebniswelten: die Kathedralen des 21. Jahrhundert

Ulrich Reinhardt (Stiftung für Zukunftsfragen Hamburg, Germany)

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Priscilla Hobbs (JGU Mainz, Germany)

01:30 P.M. **Lunch**

03:00 P.M. Participants' Departure