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# Law & Humanities Workshop







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# Workshop Program

## Wednesday, July 3:

1:30 - 2:00 pm: *Coffee and Informal Gathering*

2:00 - 2:30 pm: Sabine N. Meyer (American Studies)

### **Opening Remarks**

2:30 - 3:15 pm: Werner Gephart (Sociology)

### **Documentality and the Law: A Perspective from the Law-as-Culture Paradigm**

3:15 - 4:00 pm: Amalia S. Levi (Archival Studies)

### **The Household as a Records-Producing Entity: Recordkeeping and Archival Dependencies**

*Coffee Break*

4:30 - 5:15 pm: Mahshid Mayar (American Studies)

### **Restore Like an Erasure Poet – Archival Access, Law, and Erasure Poetry**

5:15 - 6:00 pm: Raja Sakrani (Legal Studies)

### **The Normative Framing of Living Together: In the Realm of 'Convivencia'**

6:00 - 6:45 pm: Thomas Dreier (Legal Studies)

### **Humanoid Robots: Where They Came from and Where They Will Be Going – With a Touch of Law**

7:30pm: *Conference Dinner*

## Thursday, July 4:

9:00 - 9:45 am: Judith Hahn (Canon Law)

### **Law, Culture(s), and Religion: Cross-Cultural Challenges of Canon Law**

9:45 - 10:30 am: Klaus von Stosch (Systematic Theology)

### **The Aesthetics of Law as Theodicy**

*Coffee Break*

11:00 - 11:45 am: Matt Sheedy (Religious Studies)

### **Religious Freedom: Rhetorics and Realities**

11:45 - 12:30 pm: Raquel Razente Sirotti (Legal History and Legal Theory)

### **Narrating Stories of Law and Colonialism in Africa: Research, Archives, and Oral Histories in the Production of the Podcast *Tramas Coloniais***

*Catered Lunch*

1:15 - 2:00 pm: Gesa Mackenthun (American Studies)

### **Agrarian Justice in the 19th-Century Literary Archive**

2:00 - 2:45 pm: Bryan Wagner (English Studies)

### **The People's Court: Law and Performance from Slavery to the Civil Rights Movement**

*Coffee Break*

3:15 - 4:00 pm: Ted Richthofen (American Studies)

### **"Injury to Public Morality": Gendered Liquor Laws and Women's Constitutional Rights in Pre-Prohibition USA**

4:00 - 4:45 pm: Martin Schermaier (Legal Studies)

### **Duties Replacing Claims: The Moral Transformation of Civil Law**

4:45 - 5:30 pm: Nora Castle (American Studies)

### **Intellectual Property, Copyright Law, and the Right to DIY: A View from Science Fiction**

5:30 - 5:45 pm: Bryan Wagner and Sabine N. Meyer

### **Closing Remarks**

*Wine Reception*