

**Motherhood Initiative for Research and Community Involvement (MIRCI)  
And Centre for Research in Anthropology, Portugal (CRIA)**

*Presents:*

**Mothering and Motherhood in the 21st Century: Research and Activism  
February 18-19, 2010, Lisbon, Portugal**

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**FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 18, 2011**

**9:00am-9:30am**

**REGISTRATION**

**9:30am-11:00am**

**OPENING SESSION: ROUND TABLE IN PLENARY  
What are the Challenges for Mothering in the 21  
Century?"**

Chair: Elizabeth Challinor

Location: B203

- "You say you want a revolution?: The 21st Century Motherhood Movement" – Andrea O'Reilly, York University & Director, MIRCI, Toronto, Canada
- "Mothering as a non-gendered practice/ethic of care: notes towards the future" – Miguel Vale de Almeida, CRIA/ISCTE, Lisbon, Portugal
- "Mothering and social justice: implications of the global flows of reproductive technologies for women in the south" – Maya Unnithan: Sussex University, Brighton, UK

**11:00am-11:30am**

**BREAK**

**11:30pm-1:00pm**

**SESSIONS A1, A2, A3**

**Session A1: Constructing Identity Through Motherhood**

Chair: Zora Javorská

Location: B202

- "Unspeakable motherhood? – Identity work in the first-time mothers' longitudinal interview data" – Eija Sevón, University of Jyväskylä, Finland
- "Eco-Moms as Impact of Attachment Parenting" – Zora Javorská, Masaryk University, Czech Republic
- "Normativity of Motherhood" – Paige Marino, Independent, USA
- "Who Is the Real Mother?: Surrogacy and IVF Mothers in Jewish Law (Halakhah)" – Ronit Irshai, Bar Ilan University, Israel

**Session A2: Maternal Empowerment And Agency**

Chair: Ritva Nätkin

Location: C201

- "Not your Mother's Activists: A new generation of mothers reshaping their communities, one email at a time" – Ann Wallace, New Jersey City University, USA
- "Searching Feminist Perspective To Mothers' Substance Use Problems" – Ritva Nätkin, University of Tampere, Finland

- “Motherhood, Radicals and Cold War Politics in the Voice of Women, Canada” – Marie Hammond-Callaghan, Mount Allison University, Sackville, Canada
- “Reconstructing motherhood / parenthood and citizenship: the case of Poland” – Elżbieta Korolczuk, Södertörns högskola, Sweden

### **Session A3: Parenting, Art and Popular Culture**

Chair: Catherine Lynch

Location: C202

- “Mapping Maternal flux and transitions of identity within personhood and Motherhood – With emphasis on maternal evolution as visualized in an arts practice” – Catherine Lynch, The National College of Art and Design, Dublin, Ireland
- “Other Mothers: The Evolution of the Father in Western Art” – John Hinshaw, Lebanon Valley College, USA
- “Mommy Blogs and Motherhood in Turkey” – Pinar Melis Yelsali Parmaksiz, Ankara University, Turkey

**1:00pm-2:30pm**

**LUNCH BREAK**

**2:30pm-4:00pm**

**SESSION B1, B2, B3**

### **Session B1: Constructing Identity Through Motherhood**

Chair: Edna Gorney

Location: B202

- “Motherhood and Fatherhood: Babes and Buds” – Edna Gorney, Haifa University and the Israeli extension of Lesley University, Israel and Mira Bar-Shay, Israel
- “Korean Adoptees Abroad and their Birthmothers: Two Perspectives” – Rupa Bagga Raoulx, University of British Columbia, Canada
- “Thinking philosophically about Mothers” – Arantzazu Saratzaga, University of Barcelona and the University of Karlsruhe, Spain and Germany
- “The mother-child relation: asymmetry AND / or mutuality?” – Machteld Reynaert, K.U.Leuven, Belgium

### **Session B2: Maternal Empowerment and Agency**

Chair: Eija Sevón

Location: C201

- “Mothering Student Activists: Reflections on Feminist Service-Learning Pedagogy” – Deborah Byrd, Lafayette College, USA.
- “Raising the Other Half: Raising Feminist Sons” – Melanie Hill, State University of New York at New Paltz, USA
- “Matroreform through Intergenerational feminist mothering: Feminist mothers and feminist daughters raising children and grandchildren together” – Fiona Joy Green, University of Winnipeg, Canada

### **Session B3: Parenting, Art and Popular Culture**

Chair: Claire Harbottle

Location: C202

- “Puerto Rican motherhood in the XX century through photography” – Ivette Guzmán-Zavala, Lebanon Valley College, USA

- “Lilla’s Birthing: Re-appropriating the subjective experience of birthing in visual art” – Claire Harbottle, Artist and Freelance Photographer, UK
- “Safety, A Multimedia Performance Piece” – Nina Adel, Belmont University, USA .

**4:00pm-4:30pm**

**BREAK**

**4:30pm-6:00pm**

**SESSIONS C1, C2, C3**

**Session C1: Health, Care and Well-Being**

Chair: Violet Showers Johnson

Location: B202

- “Myths and Beliefs during Pregnancy – Implications for the Caring” – Maria de Fátima Martins, University of Minho, Portugal
- “Maternal health from an occupational perspective – Three theoretical models” – Michal Avrech Bar, Tel Aviv University, Israel
- “‘Please, Don’t Stigmatize the Voiceless’: Responses to the Misrepresentation of Breastfeeding in Sierra Leone” – Violet Showers Johnson, Agnes Scott College, USA
- “An Analysis of African Centered Midwifery in the 21st Century” – Sabrina L. Jordans, Bethune Cookman University, USA

**Session C2: Mothers, Mothering, and Children**

Chair: Malika Grasshoff / Makilam

Location: C201

- “Motherhood and Nature by the Kabyle Berber of Northern Africa” – Malika Grasshoff - Makilam, Indigenous Historian and Gender Researcher, Germany
- “Rules of Engagement: Grandmothers, Daughters, and the Mothering of Mothers” – Tabitha Holmes and Alison Nash, State University of New York at New Paltz, USA
- “Writing the Self in Anger and Tenderness, Motherhood and Daughterhood” – Gabriella Ibieta, Drexel University, USA
- “Mother-scholars: (Re)imagining education for our children” – Yvette V. Lapayese, Loyola Marymount University, USA

**Session C3: Transnational Mothering Practices**

Chair: Elżbieta Korolczuk

Location: C202

- “Bearing Witness to the Pain and Triumph of Displaced Mothers” – Regina Edmonds, Assumption College, USA
- “Afghan Mothers in the Diaspora: Negotiating their Faith, Displacement and Conflict” - Huma Ahmed-Ghosh, San Diego State University, USA
- “Transnational Latina Mother-Activists in the Américas: The Case of Elvira Arellano and Flor Crisóstomo” – Maura Toro-Morn, Illinois State University, USA and Nilda Flores-Gonzalez, University of Illinois-Chicago, USA
- “The Intergenerational Transmission of Parenting Styles Amongst Irish and Irish Immigrant Mothers: A comparative study” – Helen O’Brien, Monmouth University, USA

**SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 19, 2011**

**9:00am-9:30am**

**REGISTRATION**

**9:30am-11:00am**

**SESSIONS D1, D2**

**Session D1: Mothers, Mothering, and Children**

Chair: Shelly Goldman

Location: C301

- “Motherhood Status In Holy Quran” - Nahleh Gharavi Naeeni, Tarbiat Modarres University, Iran
- “Daughters’ marriages in the life of their mothers” – Shelly Goldman, Lawyer and Feminist Activist, Israel
- Modern Mothers And Magic Spells: Nursery Rhymes and other enchanted formulas to nurture” – Dora Batalim SottoMayor, Escola Superior de Educação Maria Ulrich, Portugal

**Session D2: Mothers, Policy and Politics**

Chair: Emily Proctor

Location: : C302

- “The Maternal Line: Advocating the Matronym in Nineteenth Century France” – Carolyn J. Eichner, University of Wisconsin, Milwaukee, USA
- “Free Maternity and Mother Nature: Progress and Natura in the Spanish Anarchist debate (1900-1936)” – Antonio Prado, Knox College in Galesburg, Illinois, USA
- “Critiquing Drug Using Mothers: Bad Mothers or Bad Policies?” – Sally Stevens, University of Arizona, USA and John Bogart, Law Office of John G. Bogart and Associates, USA
- “Lone Mothers: Contested Citizens”, Lea Caragata, Wilfrid Laurier University, Canada

**Session D3: Maternal Empowerment and Agency**

Chair: Fiona Green

Location: C202

- “I want! – Two extra models for mother’s sexuality” – Hadara Scheflan Katzav, Kibbutzim College of Education, Israel
- “Chocolate & Contemplative Discussion On Ambition In Your Mothering” – Jane Chelliah, Lawyer, UK
- “Lone mothers: Linking research and activism” – Janice E. Parsons, Memorial University of Newfoundland, Canada and Cherish Wilkes, Lone Mothers Research Project, Canada
- “Learning to Mother Ourselves: Nurturing the Self through Improvised Role Enactment” – Arlene C. Vadum, Assumption College, USA

**11:00am-11:30am**

**BREAK**

**11:30am-1:00pm**

**SESSIONS E1, E2**

**Session E1: Mothering Beyond Traditional Boundaries**

Chair: Fiona Green

Location: C301

- “From Dystopia to Fantasy: Surrogate Motherhood in Popular Cultural Imaginary” – Modhumita Roy, Tufts University, USA
- “The Neurobiology of Sexual Orientation - The Gay Brain” – Jerome Goldstein, San Francisco Clinical Research Center, USA

- “Shared and natural parenting: alternative or traditional parenting” – Bruna Alvarez Mora, Autònoma of Barcelona University, Spain

### **Session E2: Motherhood and Work**

Chair: A. Fiona Pearson

Location: C302

- “Weaving Family and Campus Life: Organizational and Cultural Effects on Student Parents’ Experiences” – A. Fiona Pearson, Central Connecticut State University, USA
- “Motherhood in Academia: What Happens When There Is No Policy?” – Melanie Hill and Alison Nash, State University of New York at New Paltz, USA
- “Handing in the Uniform: Mothers of adult sons/daughters with special needs letting go” – Anna Karin Kingston, Journalist, Ireland

**1:00pm-2:30pm**

**LUNCH BREAK**

**2:30pm-4:00pm**

**SESSIONS F1, F2**

### **Session F1: Mother-to-Mother Learning**

Chair: Patricia Stamp

Location: C301

- “The Kabati Women’s Kiondo Group of Kenya: Can Empowered Motherhood Be Revitalized?” – Patricia Stamp, York University, Canada
- “Teaching and Mothering: Two Practices on the Same Continuum” – Tatjana Takseva, Saint Mary’s University, Canada
- “Developing Mothers: The Relationship between Mothers’ Ways of Knowing and Mothers’ Learning in the Context of Parenting” – Tabitha Holmes, State University of New York at New Paltz, USA
- “Why Mommies Blog” – Emily Proctor, George Washington University, USA

### **Session F2 Mothers: Marginalization and Empowerment**

Chair: Deborah Byrd

Location: C302

- “Not Just ‘Watching Soap Operas’: Ecuadorian Direct Sellers Redefining Motherhood” – Erynn Masi de Casanova, University of Cincinnati, USA
- “Invisible citizenship: ‘Poor’ lone mothers and their community engagement” – Maria Liegghio, Wilfrid Laurier University, Canada and Lea Caragata, Wilfrid Laurier University, Canada
- “Theoretical constructions of mothering and prostitution: Three dialogues” – Einat Peled, Tel Aviv University, Israel

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**4:30pm-6:00pm**

**SESSIONS G1, G2**

### **Session G1: Mothers, Violence, and War**

Chair: Helen O’Brien

Location: C301

- “The Unseen Hand of War: the Effects of Violence on Maternal Health in Iraq from 2003 to 2008” – Tamara Drenttel Brand, University of Arizona and American University of Beirut, Lebanon
- “The *Mothers for Change!* Project” – Edit Schlaffer, Women without Borders (WwB), Austria
- “Indian Kashmir: mothers' empowerment and collective mobilization in the context of armed conflict” – Dominique Lavoie, Ecole Nationale d administration Publique (ENAP), Canada

### **Session G2: Health, Care and Well-Being**

Chair: Teresa Tuohy

Location: C302

- “Mothering and maternal well-being in the context of emergency hysterectomy” – Rakime Elmir, University of Western Sydney, Australia
- “Healthy Mothers, Happy Children – a perspective of Positive and Health psychology” – Maria Cristina Campos de Sousa Faria, Polytechnic Institute of Beja – Portugal
- “Motherhood and Mental Health Problems” – Teresa Tuohy, Trinity College Dublin, Ireland
- “Mothers Who Lose Their Children: Consideration of Health Consequences and Potential Solutions” – Sally Stevens, University of Arizona, USA and Rosi Andrade, University of Arizona, USA

**7:30pm-10:00pm**

**SATURDAY DINNER**

**Note:** Only participants who have prepaid for the conference dinner may attend