

Chesapeake American Studies Association

American Studies in the World

March 10th, 2012

American University, Washington, D.C.

The 2012 meeting of Chesapeake American Studies Association will be hosted by the American Studies Program at American University, Washington, D.C. on Saturday, March 10th, 2012. The conference venue will be the Katzen Arts Center (for directions please see: <http://www.american.edu/cas/museum/visiting.cfm>).

This year's meeting explores how American Studies interacts with the world. In one sense, this refers to scholarly investigations of current or historical transnational processes such as immigration, colonialism, tourism, trade, technologies, and other global interactions with the United States. It also invokes the political concerns of many American Studies scholars who study or engage in community activism within the region. American Studies has in the past also increasingly focused on everyday culture and quotidian ways in which we engage with the world and that define us as citizens and as embodied, sexual, gendered and racialized subjects. In discussing these ongoing major trends in American Studies, the symposium investigates where American Studies is currently situated and where it is heading.

Conference registration is free. To register for the conference, please visit our website: <http://www.american.edu/cas/chasa2012/>.

**KEYNOTE
SPEAKER:**

**KRISTIN
HOGANSON**

**"Remapping
Regionalism after
the Transnational
Turn:**

**A Heartland
History Along a
North-South Axis"**

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PLUS: SCREENING OF RARE SILENT FILM *THE RED LANTERN* (1919)

The ambivalence that European Americans felt towards the Chinese in the early twentieth century was embodied in the silent films of the time. One such film, *The Red Lantern*, was rediscovered in the vaults of the Royal Belgian Film Archives and has recently been restored. The film is set against the backdrop of the Boxer Rebellion and the fear of a 'Yellow Peril' among European Americans. The showing at CHASA will likely be its first entire showing since the 1920s!

6:00pm-8:00pm Katzen Arts Center

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