It's December! And what a glorious start it has been to the festive season. We know most of you still have a bunch of papers/presentations/final exams to get through before the actual festivities begin. But those will be over soon, and we do hope you are looking forward to a merry time with your families, friends, and loved ones!

We also wish to thank you all for supporting our GAA workshops and community building initiatives this term. This goes for both faculty members and students who had put in so much time and effort in hosting these events, and for those of you who had been in attendance. Your participation means a lot, and we look forward to your continued support and enthusiasm during the rest of the academic year.

December is usually a quiet month, but there still is a lot going on. So read on for more details on what's happening around EDST this month!

NOTICE AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please join us in warmly welcoming Neila Miled, Ph.D
EDST GAA team candidate in EDST, UBC Public Scholar, and Liu Scholar, to the GAA team! Neila is succeeding Bernard Chan, whose term as Academic Research & Publication Support GAA is ending this month.

MONTHLY EVENTS

For more information and to RSVP for the events listed below, please click on the respective links in each listing.

EDST Friday Seminar Series
December 7, 2018 | Friday

Location: PCOH2012 (EDST Multipurpose Room)

Time: 2:00pm - 4:00pm

Hosted by: EDST

No pierden el humor: Post-disaster humor in Mexico

Gabriella Maestrini, Ph.D Candidate

How Colonization Mapped the Way for Public Mass Gun Violence and what Education and Society can do about it

Stephanie Glick, Ph.D Candidate

MORE INFORMATION

Doing educational policy research: Theory and practice

Can the displaced speak? Refugee Muslim young women negotiating identity and belonging through the camera lens — Lobby Gallery Opening Reception

December 7, 2018 | Friday
VIFF: What is Democracy?
December 7, 11, 12, 13 (various times)

Location: Vancity Theatre, 1181 Seymour St., Vancouver

Astra Taylor’s philosophical documentary reflects on a word we too often take for granted while spanning millennia and continents: from ancient Athens’ groundbreaking experiment in self-government to capitalism’s roots in medieval Italy; from modern-day Greece grappling with financial collapse to the United States reckoning with its racist past. This urgent film connects the past and the present, the emotional and the intellectual, and the personal and the political in order to provoke and inspire.

EDST Holiday Social
December 13, 2018 | Thursday

Location: PCOH Ballroom
Time: 2:00pm – 4:00pm
Hosted by: EDST

For more information, please refer to the emails sent by our
GAA'S PICK OF THE MONTH

Maria's pick of the month

Robson Square Ice Rink
December 1, 2018 to February 28, 2019
Location: UBC Robson Square, Vancouver
Time: Various (see website for more information)

More information

Good Tidings! A Good Noise Gospel Christmas
December 17, 2018 | Monday
Location: St. John's Shaughnessy Church, Vancouver
Time: 7:30pm onwards

MORE INFORMATION

Lena's pick of the month

VanDusen Festival of Lights
December 1, 2018 to January 6, 2019
Location: VanDusen Botanical Garden, Vancouver
Time: Various (see website for more information)

MORE INFORMATION
Glow Gardens: Christmas
November 22, 2018 to January 19, 2019
Location: Milner Village Garden Centre, Langley
Time: Various times (see website for more information)

MORE INFORMATION

DATES TO NOTE

December 1, 2018
CFP deadline for The 15th International Congress of Qualitative Inquiry (QI2019)

December 3, 2018
Please note that the deadline for Canada Tri-agency (Master's) awards and Affiliated Fellowships (Masters) program are due on this date.

December 11, 2018
Application deadline for UBC Sustainability Scholars Program paid internship

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