International Comparative Literature Association
Report of the Activities of the Comic Studies and Graphic Narrative Research Committee

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Activities

The research committee was formed and approved during the 2014-2015 school year. The 2016 meeting hosted by the University of Vienna marked the first formal meeting of the group as a research committee. Activities among the group members included several meetings and publications, detailed previously for years 2014-2017.

Members of the research committee have presented in various panels on embodiment at the American Comparative Literature Association annual meetings in seminars on the general topic of embodiment co-organized by Lisa DeTora and Carl Fisher in 2018 (University of California, Los Angeles) and by Lisa DeTora 2019 (Georgetown University). In 2018 a single panel was co-sponsored by the GNR, and in 2019 two seminar streams were co-sponsored. Barbara Grüning, Lisa DeTora, and Carl Fisher presented in both 2018 and 2019.

Lisa DeTora and Angelo Piepoli have organized a seminar at the 8th Congress of the European Society of Comparative Literature, Lille 26-30 August 2019.

Angelo Piepoli, Lisa DeTora, and Umberto Rossi edited the GNR essays for the DeGruyter ICLA Proceedings volume. Ten papers were included by the following GNR members: Alison Halsall, Angelo Piepoli, Anna-Sophie Jürgens, Barbara Grüning, Denise Ask Nunes, Francesco-Alessio Ursini, Kai Mikkonen, Lisa DeTora, Nicola Paladin, Noriko Hiraishi, Stefan Buchenberger, Umberto Rossi

Francesco Ursini continues his trajectory of useful publishing with the following entries:


A vibrant series of sessions is planned for the 2019 AILC/ICLA meeting at the University of Macau, organized by Noriko Hiraishi, Stefan Buchenberger and Lea Pao.

Title of the panel: Know Thine Enemy. Antagonistic Dynamics in Graphic Narratives.

Current Membership: