Current Issues
in North American Studies and Cultural Studies
Lecture Series | Winter Term 2014-15

Wednesday, October 1, 2014 | 6:00-7:30 pm | Senatssaal
In cooperation with the U.S. Consulate General, Düsseldorf, and the Federal Agency for Civic Education
A Conversation with Martha Bayles
about her latest book on Popular Culture, Public Diplomacy and America’s Image Abroad

Monday, October 13, 2014 | 6:00-8:00 pm | Room B, IAAK
Prof. Dr. Lawrence Howe
Dept. of Literature and Languages, Roosevelt University | University of Southern Denmark
“Mark Twain and America’s Ownership Society: Property and Its Discontents”

Tuesday, October 28, 2014 | 6:00-8:00 pm | Room A, IAAK
Prof. Dr. Eric Sandeen
American Studies Program, University of Wyoming | Radboud University Nijmegen
“Steichen’s The Family of Man Sixty Years On: Looking Back at 1950s America”

Tuesday, November 4, 2014 | 6:00-8:00 pm | Room A, IAAK
Dr. Christina Ziegler-McPherson
Hoboken Historical Museum | University of Bremen
“Invasion of the Other: Anti-Immigration Politics in the United States, 1840–2014”

Monday, November 24, 2014 | 6:00-8:00 pm | Festsaal
Columbus Day Lecture 2014
James D. Bindenagel
Former U.S. ambassador to Germany and Henry Kissinger Professor, University of Bonn
“Building the Transatlantic Relationship: From Naming America to Unifying Germany and Beyond”

Tuesday, December 2, 2014 | 6:00-8:00 pm | Max Weber Room, Konrad-Zuse-Platz 1
In cooperation with the Käte Hamburger Kolleg “Recht als Kultur”
Dr. Angela Condello
Faculty of Law, University of Rome III | Käte Hamburger Kolleg “Recht als Kultur”, University of Bonn
“Exemplarity as a Form of Normativity: How Individual Narratives Have Shaped American Legal Culture and the Construction of ‘Privacy’”

Tuesday, December 9, 2014 | 6:00-8:00 pm | Location to be announced
In cooperation with Amerika Haus e.V. NRW
Britanni Sonnenberg reads from her latest novel Home Leave

Tuesday, December 16, 2014 | 6:00-8:00 pm | Room A, IAAK
Dr. Thorsten Kathke
Max Planck Institute for the Study of Societies, Cologne
“FUTURE SHOCK Is ‘Where It’s At’: Diagnosing the State of America’s Society in the 1970s”

Monday, January 19, 2015 | 6:00-8:00 pm | Festsaal
Martin Luther King Day Lecture 2015
Prof. Dr. Manfred Berg
Dept. of American History, University of Heidelberg
“The Dream Revisited: Racial Integration and Black Advancement since the Civil Rights Era”