

*Arendt and Antisemitism*

November 1-2, 2018  
Whitney Humanities Center  
Yale University

**Thursday, November 1<sup>st</sup>**

Welcome and Introduction (3:00-3:15pm): Maurice Samuels (Yale University)

**Panel #1: Arendt Now (3:15-4:45pm)**

Chair: Samuel Moyn (Yale University)

Ayten Gündoğdu (Barnard College): “The Pariahs of Humanity: Arendt and the Challenges of Modern Equality”

Dorian Bell (University of California, Santa Cruz): “Racial Capitalism Reconsidered: Hannah Arendt, Antisemitism, and the Ethnonationalist Present”

Kathryn Sophia Belle (Pennsylvania State University): “*Hannah Arendt and the Negro Question* Revisited: Multidirectional Memory and Intersectional Insight”

**Break (4:45-5:00pm)**

**Keynote Lecture (5:00-6:30pm)**

Introduction: Carolyn Dean (Yale University)

Martin Jay (University of California, Berkeley): “Blaming the Victim? Arendt, Adorno and Erikson on the Jewish Role in Stimulating Anti-Semitism”

**Reception (6:30-8:00pm)**

Whitney Humanities Center (Room 108)

**Friday, November 2<sup>nd</sup>**

**Keynote Book Panel (9:00-10:30am):** Seyla Benhabib, *Exile, Statelessness, and Migration: Playing Chess with History from Hannah Arendt to Isaiah Berlin* (Princeton, 2018)

Chair: Judith Resnik (Yale University)

Participants:

Richard J. Bernstein (The New School for Social Research)

Robyn Marasco (Hunter College)

Adi Ophir (Brown University)

Responding: Seyla Benhabib (Yale University)

**Break (10:30-11:00am)**

**Panel #2: Racism and Colonialism (11:00-12:30pm)**

Chair: Nancy Levene (Yale University)

Roger Berkowitz (Bard College): “Antisemitism and Racism”

Hagar Kotef: (SOAS, University of London): “Home—homelessness—dispossession: Arendt, Africa and the Jewish State”

Adam Stern (Yale University): “Arendt and Algeria”

**Panel #3: The Jewish Question (2:00-3:45pm)**

Chair: David Sorkin (Yale University)

Na’ama Rokem (The University of Chicago): “Varnhagen, Arendt, Scholem and the Lives of Letters”

Liliane Weissberg (University of Pennsylvania): “Between Germany and Africa”

Susannah Young-ah Gottlieb (Northwestern University): “Who Are 'We'-  
'We Refugees'” ?

Adi Ophir (Brown University): “Antisemitism: Between the Jew as an  
Other and the Jews' Other”

**Concluding Remarks (3:45-4:00pm)**