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Catania, September 22nd-23rd, 2022



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## INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE PROGRAM

**Thursday, September 22<sup>nd</sup>**  
**Palazzo Ingrassia, Aula Vincenzo La Rosa**

**The Digital Identity (chair: Gigliola Nocera, AISNA President)**

9:00 *Welcome from the Head of the Department*  
Marina Paino (Università di Catania)

9:30 *Keynote Speech*  
John Cayley (Brown University), "Scoring the Spelt Air"

10:30 Giovanna Di Rosario (Politecnico di Milano), "Before. Now. Next.  
From the Origins of E-Lit to Its Posthuman Future"

Salvatore Marano (Università di Catania), "An Archeology of the Future.  
E-Poetry before E-Poetry"

11:30 *Coffee Break*

12:00 Floriana Puglisi (Università di Catania), "Poets and Machines / Poets as Machines:  
Charles Bernstein and Johanna Drucker"

Giuliana Arcidiacono (Accademia di Belle Arti, Catania), "This Is Not Like A Printed Book,  
Only Better: Remediation in Michael Joyce's *afternoon, a story*"

13:00 *Lunch Break*

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**The Dark Side (chair: Salvatore Marano, Università di Catania)**

15:00 *Keynote Speech*  
Oliviero Bergamini (Deputy Editor-in-chief, Rainews 24), "Dark at Heart? The Many Horrors  
of Small Town America"

16:00 Vincenzo Bavaro (UniOr, Napoli), "Why We Still Need to Talk About Matthew Shepard.  
Revealing Another America in *The Laramie Project* (2000)"

Maria Pilar Martinez Benedí (Università dell'Aquila), "The Other America(n)s: (Re)branding,  
Suspicion, Integration in Millennial Multicultural Peripheries"

**Friday, September 23<sup>rd</sup>**  
**Aula Vincenzo La Rosa, Palazzo Ingrassia**

**The Other Self (chair: Donatella Izzo, UniOr, Napoli)**

9:30 Enrico Botta (Università di Verona), "On Confederates, Racists, Slaves,  
and Other Peripheral Issues: The Case of *Antebellum*"

Fulvia Sarnelli (Università di Messina), "The Saga of a Diner and the Ballad of an Art Center.  
The Other US North-East in *Empire Falls* and *A Bread Factory*"

10:30 *Coffee Break*

11:00 Raffaella Malandrino (Università di Catania), "Between Homecoming and Displacement":  
Confronting Language, Self and Community in *The Topeka School* by Ben Lerner"

Cristina Consiglio (UniBari), "Identity and Alterity in a Selection of James Purdy's Short  
Stories"

13:00 *Lunch Break*

**Alter Idem (chair: Gigliola Nocera, Salvatore Marano)**

15:00 *Round Table*  
Giuliana Arcidiacono, Vincenzo Bavaro, Oliviero Bergamini, Enrico Botta,  
Lorena Carbonara, John Cayley, Giovanna Di Rosario, Donatella Izzo,  
Raffaella Malandrino, Maria Pilar Martinez Benedí, Floriana Puglisi, Fulvia Sarnelli.