Empire, Indigeneity, and Colonial Heritage Collections
Confronting Difficult Pasts, Enabling Just Futures

Date: Friday 18th – Sunday 20th August
Location: Leiden University Library

Programme

Day 1: Friday August 18th

9:30  Registration and coffee

10:00  Welcome by Kurt De Belder (Director Leiden University Libraries)

10:10  Introduction by Stacy Allison-Cassin (IM) and Daryl Green (RBSC)

Keynote Lecture by Damien Webb

Confronting Difficult Pasts

11:00  Session 1 Finding Indigenous Voices

Chair: Feather Maracle (Six Nations Public Library)
Chat moderator: Lauren Vargas (Leiden University)

Sophie Alix Capdeville (University of Jyväskylä, Finland)
Saami written culture history research: a challenge in the current Finnish research framework

Syifa Adiba (independent researcher) and Akmal Faradise (Universitas Islam Indonesia)
From Marginalization to Empowerment: Elevating Madurese Indigenous Poet Voice through Independent Archiving
[this will be an online presentation]

12:00  Lunch (on site)
13:00  
**Session 2 Confronting difficult histories**

Chair: Stephanie Stillo (Library of Congress)
Chat moderator: Lauren Vargas (Leiden University)

Hugh Murphy and Alaxandra Caccamo (Maynooth University)  
*Religion, Colonialism and Empire: interrogating an Irish university collection*

Isabelle Best and Katell Lavéant (Allard Pierson, University of Amsterdam)  
*Surinamica Reimagined: Activating a Heritage Collection for Reparation and Reconciliation, the Surinamica Collection at Allard Pierson*

14:00  
**Session 3 Professional Approaches to Working with Indigenous Collections**

Chair: Makeswary Periasamy (National Library of Singapore)
Chat moderator: Lauren Vargas (Leiden University)

Francisca Fuentes Rettig (British Library) and Rebecca Slatcher (University of Hull and British Library)  
*Beginning to know what we don’t know: Approaching North American Indigenous Knowledges at the British Library*

Alexander Soto and Lorrie McAllister  
*Nada Nukuthdam Firekeepers Initiative*

15:00  
**Tea break**

15:30  
Plenary discussion

Chair: Garrelt Verhoeven (Leiden University Libraries)
Chat moderator: Lauren Vargas (Leiden University)

16:15  
Closing remarks by Claire McGuire (IFLA)

16:25  
Closing by Kurt De Belder (Leiden University Libraries)

16:30  
Library tours at University Library and visit to Bibliotheca Thysiana

17:30  
**Reception at Faculty Club Leiden University**
Day 2: Saturday August 19th

9:00    Registration & coffee

9:30    Welcome by Garrelt Verhoeven (Leiden University Library)

9:40    Plenary presentation
        Anouk Mansfeld (Leiden University Libraries)
        A Friend’s Album as loot: Colonial Heritage in the Leiden Special Collections

10:00   Plenary presentation
        Marieke van Meer (Leiden University Libraries) and Esther Boeles (University of Amsterdam)
        New Guidelines for colonial heritage in academic- and library collections in the Netherlands

10:30   Discussion
        Chair: Garrelt Verhoeven (Leiden University Library)
        Chat moderator: Lauren Vargas (Leiden University)

10:45   Coffee break

Enabling Just Futures

11:00   Session 4 Methodologies to Enable Just Futures:
        Collections Development, Digital Reunification, Collaboration

        Chair: Stacy Allison-Cassin (Delhousie University, Canada)
        Chat moderator: Lauren Vargas (Leiden University)

        Eunice Ann Yutuc Chua and A.B. Gideon de Castro (University of the Philippines Diliman)
        To = This is ours: the University of the Philippines Diliman Filipiniana Books Section

        Frederieke van Wijk (Allard Pierson, University of Amsterdam)
        (post)-Colonialism on Stage: A Collaborative Confronting of the Uncomfortable Histories of the Performing Arts

        Radia Banu Jan Mohamad; Ahmad Murad Merican; Fujica Azura Fesal; Noor Azlinda Wan Jan; Nor Azan Ibrahim; Mohd Fuad Haron
        Decolonization of the Light Letters Digital Collection in USM Library: Enliven the 18th Century Correspondences

12:15   Lunch (on site)
13:15  
**Session 5 Using Digital Scholarship and Metadata to Enable Just Futures**

Chair: Helen Vincent (National Library of Scotland)  
Chat moderator: Lauren Vargas (Leiden University)

Stacy Allison-Cassin (Delhousie University, Canada) and Camille Callison (University of the Fraser Valley, Canada)  
*The Respectful Terminologies Platform Project*

Soraya Hariyani Putri (National Library of Indonesia) and Sadariyah Ariningrum Widjiastuti (National Library of Indonesia)  
*Best Practice To Preserve Indonesia Memory Tradition Through Collection Development Policy And Khastara Official Website*  
[This will be an online presentation]

14:15  
Plenary discussion  
Moderator: **Mark Puente** (IM)  
Chat moderator: **Lauren Vargas** (Leiden University)

15:00  
**Tea break**

15:30  
‘Locknote’ session by **Daryl Green** (RBSC) and **Stacy Allison-Cassin** (IM)

16:30  
Library visit at University Library and Visit to Bibliotheca Thysiana

17:30  
**Closing reception at University Library garden**

19:00  
**Conference dinner with RBSC, IM, organizers & speakers**
Day 3: Sunday August 20th

Excursions day in Leiden

1. Library walk in the city centre of Leiden & visit to the Bibliotheca Thysiana, by curator Kasper van Ommen (Leiden University Library)

10.00 – 12.00 Group 1
13.00 – 15.00 Group 2

2. Guided tour at the exhibition Maps: Navigating & Manipulating, by curator Martijn Storms (Leiden University Library)

10.00 – 12.00 Group 2
13.00 – 15.00 Group 1

Group 1

Group 2