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2 Events with Paul Hockings

First Week of the Summer-Semester 2019

Wednesday 24.04.2019 (6-8 pm, Room L155)

Filmscreening + Talk: Structuring a filmic ethnography

The film made in coastal Ireland by Hockings and McCarty, *The Village (70 min.)*, is screened and then discussed, to show in what ways the making of an ethnography on film was attempted in this case. *The Village* was the first anthropological film to be completed in the observational style. The development of Ethnofilms, from simple to complex, will also be discussed.

Thursday 25.05.2019 (6-8 pm, Room 131)

Talk: Ethnographic films and social theory: can the two be brought together?

Social theory, based solidly in social science literature, has had difficulty in deriving any benefit from the hundreds of ethnographic films now available. Taking one well-known exercise in theory building, namely F. Tönnies' ideal types of *Gemeinschaft* and *Gesellschaft*, we examine with an example from observational cinema how these ideal types can help viewers better understand what is shown of daily life in a peasant society. The use of social theory in film editing is also discussed.

Professor Paul Hockings is a pioneer in the fields of ethnographic film and Visual Anthropology. He is Professor Emeritus of Anthropology at the University of Illinois, and also Editor-in-Chief of Visual Anthropology(Routledge). He has studied anthropology and archaeology at the Universities of Sydney, Toronto, Chicago, Stanford and California (Berkeley). He has been working with the Badaga people of the Nilgiri Hills in south India for over half a century, and he has published a dozen books on Indian topics. He has also published over 200 articles, as well as editing "Principles of Visual Anthropology" and four anthropological encyclopaedias, and producing several documentary films.

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