

THE BALDY CENTER FOR LAW & SOCIAL POLICY
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All welcome to the Theorists & Jurists public lecture and film screening featuring:

Michael Herzfeld

Professor, Anthropology, Harvard University

Professor Herzfeld specializes in the ethnography of Europe (especially Greece and Italy) and of Thailand. Among his ten books are *The Body Impolitic: Artisans and Artifice in the Global Hierarchy of Value* (2004), *Cultural Intimacy: Social Poetics in the Nation-State* (rev. ed., 2005), and *Evicted from Eternity: The Restructuring of Modern Rome* (2009).

Thursday, April 23, 2009 4:00-6:00 p.m.

509 O'Brian Hall, UB North Campus

Housing Rights and Historical Wrongs: Gentrification and Neoliberalism, from the Eternal City to the City of Angels

The sudden growth of interest in "heritage" has all too often resulted in a sudden appreciation of real estate values in places deemed to be of historical interest and a concomitant disregard for the interests of those who live in such spaces. Using the examples of Rome and Bangkok, Professor Herzfeld will address the conflict among such legal rights as eminent domain, "free market" values, and constitutional and international agreements regarding the right to housing, as well as the rights of state and other authorities to decide what is historically significant and the strategies that local actors adopt to rebut such claims and establish their own moral claims.

Friday, April 24, 2009 4:00-5:30 p.m.

355 Millard Fillmore Academic Center, Ellicott Complex, UB North Campus

Film screening (39 mins.), discussion, and reception

Monti Moments: Men's Memories in the Heart of Rome

Told through informal conversations with local inhabitants in a rapidly gentrifying neighborhood in Rome, this film speaks to important issues at the heart of contemporary social science—issues of history, memory, and voice.

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