

**GCSC-Conference "Cognition, Culture, Narrative"  
Gießen, December 6-8, 2023**

ORGANIZED BY JAN ALBER, ANSGAR NÜNNING, ROBIN SCHMIEDER, AND MEIKE WIEGAND

**Wednesday, December 6, 2023**

- 9:30                    **Meet & Greet & Coffee**
- 10:15-10:30        *Jan Alber (JLU Gießen), Meike Katharina Wiegand (GCSC Gießen),  
and Robin Schmieder (GCSC Gießen)*  
**Words of Welcome and Introduction: Cognition, Culture, Narrative**
- 10:30-11:00        *Paul Sopcak (RWTH Aachen University)*  
**"Constituting Self and World: The (Un)Narratability of Embodied  
and Cultural Experiencing"**
- 11:00-11:30        *Lisa Zunshine (University of Kentucky)*  
**"Practical Suggestions for Using Research on Theory of Mind for  
Literary and Cultural Analysis"**
- 11:30-12:00        *Meike Katharina Wiegand (GCSC Gießen)*  
**"Making Sense of and in Science – The Influence of Narratives on  
the Life Sciences"**
- 12:00-14:00        [*lunch at JLU Mensa*]
- 14:00-15:00        **KEYNOTE I:**  
*Vera Nünning (Heidelberg University)*  
**"How Culture, Cognition, and Narratives Mutually Shape Each  
Other: Navigating the Bermuda Triangle"**
- 15:00-15:30        *Kirsten von Hagen (JLU Gießen)*  
**"Short Forms of Narrative in the Context of the Spectacular:  
Cultural Stereotypes and Perceptions of Alterity in Gyp's  
Multimodal Texts"**
- 15:30-16:00        *Marcello Giovanelli (Aston University)*  
**"Storying the Pandemic: The Embodied Style of Responses to the  
UK Lockdown"**
- 16:00-16:30        [*coffee break*]
- 16:30-17:00        *Robin Schmieder (GCSC Gießen)*  
**"Broadcasting Yourself Revisited – Vlogging between Narrative  
Self-Making and Automediality"**
- 17:00-17:30        *Caroline Gebauer (University of Wuppertal)*  
**"Framing Migration: How a Politics of Mobility Shapes Narrative  
Ecologies"**

17:30-18:00 *Denise Wong (JLU Gießen)*  
**"The Subversive Cultural Potential of Second-Person Narratives"**

18:30 **Joint Dinner at Rosmarin**

**Thursday, December 7, 2023**

9:30-10:00 *Regina Fabry (Macquarie University)*  
**"Distributed Self-Narration: Prospects and Pitfalls"**

10:00-10:30 *Merja Polvinen (University of Helsinki)*  
**"Literary Genres as Cognitive Environments"**

10:30-11:00 [*coffee break*]

11:00-11:30 *Marina Grishakova (University of Tartu)*  
**"Models and Metaphors: The Migration of Concepts from Psychology to the Study of Narrative"**

11:30-12:00 *Deborah de Muijnck (JLU Gießen)*  
**"Cultural Models of Narrative Identity as Sense-Making Strategies in Post-Trauma Storytelling"**

12:00-14:00 [*lunch at JLU Mensa*]

14:00-15:00 **KEYNOTE II:**  
*Peter Hanenberg (Universidade Católica Portuguesa)*  
**"'We can know more than we can tell': Tacit Knowledge and the Labour and Limits of Narrative"**

15:00-15:30 *Dorothea Sawon (GCSC Gießen)*  
**"Imagining and Sensing the Natural Environment: Contemporary Nature Writing as Epistemic Reflection"**

15:30-16:00 *Rüdiger Heinze (TU Braunschweig)*  
**"Jesus, Donald Trump, MAGA, and the American Dream: Winning Elections With Cultural Narratives"**

16:00-16:30 [*coffee break*]

16:30-17:00 *Bianca Schüller (JLU Gießen)*  
**"Cognitive Perspectives on Queer Representation in Fiction"**

17:00-17:30 **Speed Dating: New Research Projects**  
*Jan Rupp (RCSC Gießen)*

18:30 **Joint Dinner at Croatica**

**Friday, December 8, 2023**

- 9:30-10:00      *Jens Brockmeier (The American University of Paris)*  
**"Between Interpretive Cognition and Narrative Hermeneutics"**
- 10:00-10:30      *María Ángeles Martínez (University of Alcalá)*  
**"Cultural Models and Storyworld Possible Selves: A Two-Way Relationship"**
- 10:30-11:00      [*coffee break*]
- 11:00-11:30      *Jan Rupp (RCSC Gießen)*  
**"Communal Minds? Representing Consciousness in Contemporary Fictions of the Internet"**
- 11:30-12:00      *Isabella Kalte (GCSC Gießen)*  
**"The Cultural Work of the Caribbean Neo-Slave Narrative"**
- 12:00-14:00      [*lunch at JLU Mensa*]
- 14:00-15:00      **KEYNOTE III:**  
*Richard Walsh (University of York)*  
**"Dreaming and Narrative Form"**
- 15:00-15:30      *Sjoerd-Jeroen Moenandar (University of Groningen)*  
**"Making Sense on Steroids: Undernarration and Conspiracy Theorizing in Three Mythopoetic Texts"**
- 15:30-16:00      *Dirk Uffelmann (JLU Gießen)*  
**"Perkhusha's Little Horse(Power)s: Harmonistic Cognitive Scripts in Metadiscursive Fiction"**
- 16:00-16:30      [*coffee break*]
- 16:30-17:00      *Cara Vorbeck (Heidelberg University)*  
**"Taking a Seat in this Distracted Globe: Negotiating Narratives of Personal and Collective Embodied Remembrance in *Hamnet* (2020)"**
- 17:00-17:30      *Juan Camilo Brigard (GCSC Gießen)*  
**"An Ethnographic Coming-of-Age Queer Autobiography: Manuel Antonio Velandia's *De marica a homosexual sujeto de derechos*"**
- 18:30              **Joint Dinner at India Restaurant**