the ends of adoption

A SYMPOSIUM ON TRANSNATIONAL KOREAN ADOPTION Saturday, May 13, 2017, 9:00am-5:30pm
Humanities Instructional Building 135

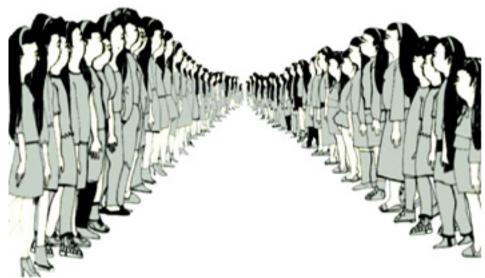


Image from A Travel Guide for the Koraen Diaspora by Anna Jin Hwa Borstam

Keynote: Do-hyun Kim, M.Phil. Film Screening: Resilience, Tammy Chu, dir.

This one-day symposium considers the world's longest and largest transnational adoption program at a moment when its literal end seems likely, and the fundamental premises of adoption are being challenged by scholars, members of the adoption triad (birth parents, adoptive parents, and adoptees), adoptee and birthmother activists, and practitioners. This symposium brings Korean Studies into dialogue with Critical Adoption Studies, an emerging interdisciplinary field in North America and Europe that is informed by postcolonial, feminist, and queer theory.

Symposium Presenters

Brent Beesley, Resilience
Kelly Condit-Shrestha, Univ. of Minnesota
Catherine Ceniza Choy, UC Berkeley
Tammy Chu, Director of Resilience
Shannon Doona Heit, UCI
Do-hyun Kim, Koroot, South Korea
Eleana Kim Anthropology, UCI

Hosu Kim, CUNY Staten Island Andrea Kim Cavicchi, UCLA Mette A.E. Kim-Larsen, UCI Elizabeth Kopacz, UC Riverside James Kyung-Jin Lee, UCI Julayne Lee, Adoptee Solidarity Korea-LA Kimberly McKee, Grand Valley State Univ.



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