

# Event Webs

## Constructs, Connections, Causalities

**Friday  
May 9  
2008**

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**Ryan Shaw**  
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Auditorium**

- 8:15 - 8:45 Continental Breakfast
- 8:45 - 9:00 Welcome, **Dean Vicki Ruiz**, School of Humanities
- 9:00 - 9:15 Introduction, **Ramesh Jain**: "Webs of Events"
- 9:15 - 11:30 Morning Session: **Imagination, Belief, Reality**  
Introduction of presenters by convener/moderator,  
**Maria Pantelia**, Classics  
**Ngugi wa Thiong'o**: "The Reality of Imagination"  
**Donald Hoffman**: "The Visual Perception of Objects  
and Events"  
**Jack Miles**: "Monitoring the Remembering of the  
Religious Past"
- 11:30 - 1:00 Lunch break
- 1:00 - 1:15 Afternoon Welcome
- 1:15 - 3:00 Afternoon Session: **History, Culture, Experience**  
Introduction of presenters by convener/moderator,  
**Bonnie Nardi**, Informatics  
**Ruth Mostern**: "Eventful History"  
**Lewis Lancaster** and **Ryan Shaw**: "Events, Facts, and  
Narratives"
- 3:00 - 3:15 Break
- 3:15 - 4:30 **Round Table Wrap-Up**  
Introduction, **Ramesh Jain**: "Building Event Webs"  
Group discussion moderated by **Bonnie Nardi**
- 4:30 - 5:00 Demonstrations