



WEDNESDAY SEMINAR

31.01.2024, 17:00 Uhr, HS-C (and online)

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On cockroaches: Or, everything is fine! Cartooning in dislocation and the story of M.



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received his doctoral degree in anthropology from the Johannes Gutenberg University Mainz in 2014 and taught at the University of Konstanz before coming to Frankfurt in 2018.

In this talk, I aim to tell the story of M., a renowned Iranian cartoonist living in exile. It will be a confusing yet (hopefully) productive story. Confusing, because there are many versions of it, along with recurring irritations and entanglements. Productive, because these very versions, irritations and entanglements point to important aspects of the past decades and contemporary society in Iran and the Iranian diaspora. I consider them as entry points for a study of dislocation, attempting to grasp the reach and the horizons of political engagement by Iranians in the diaspora. This talk originates from a collaboration between an anthropologist and an artist.

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