

## The Anthropology Department Fall 2012 Colloquia Series



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### *Ma(r)king Time: Remembering the Future*

How much of philosophical, scientific, and political thought is caught up with the idea of continuity? What if it were otherwise? This talk experiments with the disruption of continuity. The audience is invited to participate in a performance of spacetime (re)configurings that are more akin to how electrons experience the world than any journey narrated through rhetorical forms that presume actors move along trajectories across a stage of spacetime (often called history). The hope is that what comes across in this dis/jointed movement is a felt sense of *différance*, of intra-activity. That is, rather than presenting a paper on how entanglements change our thinking about ethics, this talk is an invitation to enter into the scene of re-remembering in an effort to glimpse the possibilities of justice-to-come.

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