



Remembering the Genocide against the Tutsi in Rwanda

25 Years On

Workshop

Thursday 16 May 2019, 14:00-19:00

KASKcinema (Godshuizenlaan 4, 9000 Gent)

The year 2019 marks the 25th anniversary of the genocide against the Tutsi in Rwanda. Since 1994, important work has been undertaken in Rwanda and across the diaspora in order to preserve the memory of the genocide and give voice to the survivors. This work of remembrance is increasingly important today, as it seeks to engage a large young population and combat rising levels of genocide denial worldwide. Communities are fighting to raise awareness about what happened and are grappling with the impact of the legacy of the genocide on the younger generations.

This workshop will bring together academics, community members, and creative practitioners to explore different forms of commemoration and the intergenerational transmission of trauma. It will include a number of short presentations and a round-table discussion, and will conclude with the screening of Piotr Cieplak's documentary [The Faces We Lost](#).

Speakers include:

- Dr Richard Benda (Research Fellow, Luther King House, University of Manchester)
- Dr Piotr Cieplak (filmmaker; Lecturer in Filmmaking, University of Sussex)
- Dr Catherine Gilbert (Marie Curie Research Fellow, Ghent University)
- Félicité Lyamukuru (President, Ibuka Mémoire et Justice Belgique)
- Déo Mazina (Réseau Scientifique International de Recherche et d'Information (RESIR))
- Chantal Nduhungirehe (writer)
- Laura Nsengiyumva (artist)
- Dr Caroline Williamson Sinalo (Lecturer in World Languages, University College Cork)

This event is open to all and free to attend. To register, please contact Catherine.Gilbert@UGent.be.

Programme

14:00 Welcome and Introduction – Catherine Gilbert

14:15-15:30 **Round Table: Modes of Commemoration**

The first round table will explore different modes of commemoration and preservation of the memory of the genocide against the Tutsi. It will include reflections on the commemorative activities of the diasporic community in Europe and the role of artistic interventions in response to the memory of the genocide.

Panellists: Laura Nsengiyumva
Déogratias Mazina
Chantal Nduhungirehe

15:30 Coffee Break

16:00-17:15 **Round Table: Transmission of Memory**

The second round table will explore the intergenerational transmission of the memory of the genocide, particularly in terms of its impact on the younger generations. Panellists will discuss the importance of education in raising awareness and understanding the legacies of the genocide 25 years on.

Panellists: Félicité Lyamukuru
Richard Benda
Caroline Williamson

17:30 **Film Screening: *The Faces We Lost***

Followed by a Q&A with director Piotr Cieplak