HC SEMINAR 1 THE ARTS IN NEW YORK CITY

FALL 2015

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10. M Nov. 2

• Thomas M. Disch "The Argument Resumed..." (p. 170)

Few words on classical ballet: Kylie Lang & Kyra Koe

Paper #2 due: on the performing arts, inc. dance & concerts chosen individually

Tu Nov. 3 Election Day

Nov. 4

Workshop with Andres

Planning group projects: Walking along the edges & a visit to the heart of the city On nature and city; art institutions & art in public space; diff. uses of public space

11. M Nov. 9 Intro to Patti Smith, Just Kids

Few words on Patti Smith: Michaela McGovern

& on Robert Mapplethorpe: Albert Connolly

Nov. 11 cont. Just Kids

> Few words on Jimi Hendrix: Joseph Shaker & on Janis Joplin: Anim Xhafa

Sunday Nov. 15 at 7:30 pm meeting at prof. Drabik place: 400 Riverside Dr. (at 112th St.), apt. 3A

Few words on Vic Muniz: Adam Wolfson

Screening Waste Land (2010), doc. film by Lucy Walker about photographer Vik Muniz and his project in Jardim Gramacho, nr. Rio de Janeiro, Brazil

cont. discussion of the doc. Waste Land 12. M Nov. 16

cont Just Kids

Few words on Andy Warhol: Lucia Lopez

Nov. 18 • William Carlos Williams "The Great Figure" (p. 39)

> On the art of photography: New York & New Yorkers through the lens of Alfred Stieglitz, Edward Steichen, Lewis Hine, Henri Cartier-Bresson, James van der Zee, Margaret Bourke-White, Elliott Erwitt, Inge Morath, Helen Levitt, Gordon Parks, Bruce Davidson, Mary Ellen Mark, Susan Meiseles, Paul Fusco, Camilo José

Vergara, Chien-Chi Chang, Brandon Stanton...

Few words on practice of photography: • &•

13. M Nov. 23 • Galway Kinnell "Room of Return" (p. 129)

> **Discussion of Man on Wire** (2008), doc. by James Marsh about Philippe Petit and his walk, on August 7th of 1974, between the World Trade center's twin towers Few words on Philippe Petit: Henry Burby

Nov. 25 • Martín Espada "The Owl and the Lightning" (p. 224)

Due: Short progress report on the visits to the chosen area and to the art institutions

Note: all the "field work" has to be completed by November 24.

Discussion of reports & up-coming presentations

Th Nov. 26 Thanksgiving Day Nov. 26-29 no classes. College closed.

14. M Nov. 30 Groups' presentations of the chosen area & work on the web-project

Dec. 2 cont. group presentations & the web-project

Due: Group written report

15. M Dec. 7 cont. group presentations & the web-project

Dec. 9 cont. group presentations & the web-project

16. M Dec.14 General session: The "city as art" & celebration of completed work

Due: the web-site presentation