## Beyond the Street: Cultural Forms of Contemporary Protest in the MENA Region

In dealing with the major uprisings and revolutions in the MENA region of the last two decades most academic research has centered on the social and political dimensions of the iconic mass demonstrations in the streets of Tehran, Cairo or Istanbul. But what actually happened - and continues to happen - beyond the streets?

Recent approaches within cultural studies have sought to find an answer to this question by shifting their attention to the cultural dimensions of protest. They show how protest may take place in many spheres of life and often neither begins nor ends on the street.

Our workshop explores these aspects by raising the following questions: How do cultural forms of protest challenge social and political hegemonies? How do emotional experiences shape the dynamics of protest? Why do certain forms of protest attract more attention than others?

The event is hosted by the Elite Master's Programme "Cultural Studies of the Middle East". It is organized by Julia Inderst, Sawsan Khalaf and Franziska Schmid under the supervision of visiting professor Dr. Christian Junge.



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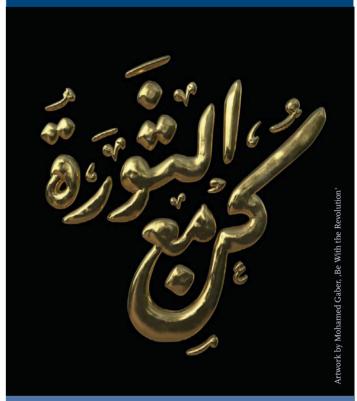












Workshop:

22-23 July 2022

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## Friday, 22 July

Welcome by Prof. Lorenz Korn (Bamberg)
Introduction by Prof. Lale Behzadi (Bamberg)
Chair: Dr. Schayan Gharevi (Bamberg)
Dr. Charlotte Bank (Kassel): Gender Diversity in Contemporary Art of the Middle East
Sawsan Khalaf (Bamberg): Between Simulation and Subversion: Muted Critique in the Work of GCC
Lunch Buffet
Chair: Dr. Peter Konerding (Bamberg)
Julia Inderst (Bamberg): "Tounes to 9tel ettoumou7" - Art and after- math of the Tunisian rapper Emino
Dr. Pierre Hecker (Marburg): The exoticisation of the Muslim metalhead
Coffee Break

## 15:00 - Chair: Prof. Christian Junge 16:30 (Bamberg)

Dr. Anne-Marie McManus (Berlin): Affect in Syrian Prison Narratives

Dr. Eylaf Bader Eddin (Berlin): Singing Power(s): the Case of the Syrian Revolution 2011/2012

17:30 - Film Screening of "The Fifth Story"
20:00 (Lichtspiel) and Discussion with the
Producer Abdulrahman Hameed
(in person) and the Director Ahmed
Abd (online)

20:30 Dinner at Bootshaus

## Saturday, 23 July

10:30 - Chair: Dr. Paula Manstetten
12:00 Franziska Schmid (Bamberg):
Beyond the Street, There is the
Bicycle Lane - Cycling Activism in

Safinaaz Saad (Bamberg): Maman! Māmā! Beyond Matrophobia: Protesting Maternal Encounters from a Feminine Perspective

12:00 Lunch Buffet

13:00 - Chair: Prof. Christian Junge 15:00 (Bamberg)

> Dr. Sara Mourad (Berlin): Confide in Me: Feminism and the Making of the Female Subject

Final Discussion: Positionality and Ethics in Research on Cultural Protest