



The Research Programs on Modern Europe and Transnational Modernities Introduce

Guest lecture by Professor Paula Michaels

Lamaze: An International History. Was the movement for natural childbirth a communist plot?

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Professor Paula Michaels (Monash University, Australia) unravels the Cold War story behind an approach to giving birth that is widely associated with feminism and the counterculture.

Paula Michaels focuses on twentieth-century world history. Her work bridges the histories of Eastern and Western Europe, integrating the USSR into a pan-European and global narrative through the study of social and cultural history.

Michaels studies the history of medicine, and is especially interested in the ways that medicine is mobilized to further political and social objectives.

Her new book, *Lamaze: An International History* was published by Oxford University Press in 2014.

