

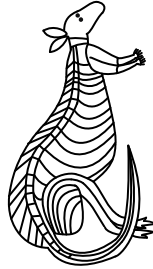


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Palazzo Marcorà Malcanton, II piano, Sala grande

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terrà una conferenza su:

## IMAGINED GEOGRAPHIES OF NATIVE ORIGIN IN THE ARGENTINE CHACO A SETTLER COLONIAL CASE STUDY

## Abstract

How are natives turned into "strangers" in a settler colonial society? Across the Americas and other parts of the New World, indigenous people are garnering recognition; yet the myth of the vanished native persists in settler societies to this day. To understand how this myth is reproduced, this talk proposes an ethnographic examination of what I call the *logic of native estrangement*, or an inversion of native and settler status that turns colonists into 'natives' by turning indigenous people into strangers on their own lands. The talk draws on ethnographic fieldwork among descendants of European immigrants and the Qom natives whose land they colonized. It discusses, among other factors, the history of native estrangement in Argentina, the settlers' imagined geographies of native origin today, and the impact that these histories and imaginaries have on indigenous lives in the region.

## Nota biografica

Tamar Blickstein is a postdoctoral fellow at the Freie Universität in Berlin, Germany. She completed her PhD in sociocultural anthropology at Columbia University in 2017, drawing on two years of ethnographic fieldwork on colonized Qom territories of the Argentine Chaco. Prior to Columbia, she trained in sociology at the EHESS, where she conducted comparative fieldwork on immigration museums and the politics of public memory in Paris, Buenos Aires and New York.