



# ARTICULATING POLITICS

## An Authors-Meet-Readers Conference



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### BOOK AUTHORS:

Elisabeth Anker (The George Washington University)  
***Orgies of Feeling: Melodrama and the Politics of Freedom***

Alexander Gourevitch (Brown University)  
***From Slavery to the Cooperative Commonwealth: Labor and Republican Liberty in the Nineteenth Century***

Lisa Guenther (Vanderbilt University)  
***Solitary Confinement: Social Death and its Afterlives***

Christopher Lebron (Yale University)  
***The Color of Our Shame: Race and Justice in Our Time***

Paulina Ochoa Espejo (Haverford College)  
***The Time of Popular Sovereignty: Process and the Democratic State***

### COMMENTATORS:

**Banu Bargu** (The New School for Social Research), **Michaele Ferguson** (University of Colorado at Boulder), **Jason Frank** (Cornell University), **Alexander Livingston** (Cornell University), **Jill Locke** (Gustavus Adolphus College), **Nancy Luxon** (University of Minnesota), **Lori Marso** (Union College), **William Clare Roberts** (McGill University), **Melvin Rogers** (University of California, Los Angeles), **George Shulman** (New York University)

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