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#### November

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 6, 5:15 P.M.

Towards a Transnational History of 'Race': Thoughts on the US, Germany, and Europe after 1945

Heide Fehrenbach, Presidential Research Professor, Professor of History, Northern Illinois University, and Haniel Fellow, American Academy in Berlin

In cooperation with the Graduate Program "Globalization and Cultural Studies", Universität Mannheim

LOCATION: Universität Mannheim, Mannheimer Schloss, Raum EW 163, Mannheim

Monday, November 10, 8:15 p.m.

Rethinking Race in the 21st Century: The Value of an Historical Perspective

Thomas C. Holt, James Westfall Thompson Distinguished Service Professor, University of Chicago, and Citigroup Fellow, American Academy in Berlin

In cooperation with the Deutsch-Amerikanisches Institut Tübingen, the Seminar für Zeitgeschichte, and the Abteilung für Amerikanistik, Universität Tübingen

LOCATION: Deutsch-Amerikanisches Institut Tübingen, Karlstr. 3, Tübingen

### December

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 27, 6:00 P.M.

The Current Financial Crisis in the US and the Role of the Federal Reserve

David Abraham, Research Fellow,
Alexander von Humboldt-Foundation,
and former Project Analyst, Federal Reserve
Bank of San Francisco
Moderated by Dr. Berndt-A. von Maltzan,
Vice Chairman, Private Wealth Management,
Deutsche Bank AG, Frankfurt/Main
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American Studies

LOCATION: HCA, Curt und Heidemarie Engelhorn Palais, Hauptstr. 120, Heidelberg THURSDAY, DECEMBER 4, 6:00 P.M.

Russia and the West – A Way Forward

Angela Stent, Professor at the School of Foreign Service and Director of the Center for Eurasian, Russian and East European Studies, Georgetown University, and George H. W. Bush/Axel Springer Fellow, American Academy in Berlin

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LOCATION: HCA, Curt und Heidemarie Engelhorn Palais, Hauptstr. 120, Heidelberg

Friday, December 5, 6:00 p.m.

A Reading from In the House of my Fear: A Memoir of Sanity Lost and Recovered in the late 1960s, Set in Cuba, New York, London, Ibiza, and some Strange Places in the Mind

Joel Agee, Writer, New York, and Holtzbrinck Fellow, American Academy in Berlin

In cooperation with the Deutsch-Amerikanisches Zentrum / James-F.-Byrnes-Institut e.V.

LOCATION: DAZ, Charlottenplatz 17, Stuttgart

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 11, 6:00 P.M.

American Exceptionalism? Politics and Material Culture in Colonial and Revolutionary America

Leora Auslander, Professor of European Social History, University of Chicago, and Berthold Leibinger Fellow, American Academy in Berlin

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LOCATION: HCA, Curt und Heidemarie Engelhorn Palais, Hauptstr. 120, Heidelberg