

## The First Annual Conference of the Israeli Association for Japanese Studies

# URBANISM, URBAN SPACE, URBAN CULTURE: PERSPECTIVES ON JAPANESE ECONOMY, POLITICS AND CULTURE IN THE PAST AND IN THE PRESENT

May 5, 2013 - University of Haifa

**09:00-09:30 Reception: Gathering and Registration**  
The Hatter Student Building Entrance to Auditorium 101

**09:30-10:00 Greetings and Theoretical Framing of the Conference (In English)**  
The Hatter Student Building Auditorium 101  
Chair: Michal Daliot-Bul, University of Haifa

Greetings:

**Amos Shapira**, President of the University of Haifa  
**Ornit Shani**, Head of the Department of Asian Studies

**Michal Daliot-Bul**, University of Haifa  
*Urbanism, Urban Space and Urban Culture as methodological and theoretical concepts*

**10:00-11:10 Keynote (In English)**  
The Hatter Student Building Auditorium 101  
Chair: Rotem Kowner, University of Haifa

**Shunya Yoshimi**, Tokyo University  
*Visuality and City :Movie Theaters, Street Corner TV and Kamishibai in Postwar Tokyo*

**Refreshment Break**

**11:40-13:10 Panel I: Oshima Nagisa: The Postwar Prophet of Japanese Urbanism (In English)**  
The Hatter Student Building Room 225  
Chair: Ayelet Zohar, Tel Aviv University

**Kineret Noy**, The Hebrew University and Seminar Hakibutsim  
*A City of Love and Hope? Oshima and Modern Japan*

**Ayelet Zohar**, Tel Aviv University  
*Sex and the City: Oshima, Pornography, Terror and Avant-Garde Cinema in 1960s Shinjuku*

**Rotem Kowner**, University of Haifa  
*Reassessing the Asian and Western Foreign 'Other' in Oshima's Films*

**11:40-13:10 Panel II: Urbanity as the Site of Socio-Political Power Struggles (In Hebrew)**  
The Hatter Student Building Room 134  
Chair: Guy Podoler, University of Haifa

**Ayala Klempere**, Tel Aviv University  
*Between Tokyo and Fukushima: 90 years of Female Politics in the Japanese Urbanity*

**Wered Ben-Sade**, University of Haifa  
*Urban and Rural Litigation Rates in Modern Japan*

**Yiftach Raphael Govreen**, The Hebrew University  
*Cities and Bases – Military Compounds within Urban Spaces*

**13:10-14:30 Lunch Break**

**14:30-15:10 General Assembly of IAJS Members (In Hebrew)**  
The Hatter Student Building Room 101  
Chair: Nissim Otmazgin, The Hebrew University

**15:20-17:20 Panel III: Developing Concepts of Urbanity (In English)**  
The Hatter Student Building Room 225  
Chair: Ehud Harari, The Hebrew University

**Ben-Ami Shillony**, The Hebrew University  
*The Transition from Edo to Tokyo: The Birth of an Imperial Capital*

**Erez Golani Solomon**, Waseda University and Bezalel Academy of Arts and Design  
*Shouts and Murmurs: Ideas After March 2011, or, The Production of Imminent Urban Reality*

**Christopher Pokarier**, Waseda University  
*Imagined Contiguities: Three Decades of Tokyo beyond Tokyo*

**Einat Cohen**, University of Haifa  
*Games, Social Media and Location-Based Services in the Urban Space*

**15:20-17:20 Panel IV: Imagination and Images of Japanese Urbanity (In English)**  
The Hatter Student Building Room 134  
Chair: Irit Averbuch, Tel Aviv University

**Makiko Yamanashi**, Waseda University and Hosei University  
*Cultural Formation and its Urban Poetics in Hibiya District during the 1930s: The Meaning of Kansai-Based Takarazuka Theatre's Debut in Central Tokyo*

**Raz Greenberg**, The Hebrew University  
*City Mouse or Country Mouse? The Ideal Sphere in Hayao Miyazaki's Works*

**Helena Grinshpun**, The Hebrew University  
*Urbanity in Motion: Exploring Japan's Underground Sites*

**Rotem Ayalon**, The Hebrew University  
*Monologue Amid the Shatters: Japanese Urban Culture Following WWII, as Reflected in the Writings of Ōe Kenzaburō*

**Refreshment Break**

**17:50-18:30 Panel V: 'Excessive Reality': Student Animated Short Film Projects (In English)**

**Students of 'Tokyo Studio 2012' [TS12]**, Architecture Department, Bezalel Academy of Arts and Design  
**Liya Kohavi**, Bezalel Academy of Arts and Design  
**Erez Golani Solomon**, Waseda University and Bezalel Academy of Arts and Design

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