Intercultural Communication Symposium – Iaşi, 6-7 May Programme

Saturday, May 6th

- **▶** 10:00 10:30: Addresses (Ferdinand Hall)
- > 10:30 11:45: Keynote Speaker: Priscilla Ly
- > 12:00 14:00: Lunch Break
- ➤ 14:00 16:00: Panels

Panel 1 (Room III.12) – Cultural Studies; chairperson: Diana Melnic

- **14:00 14:20:** Anca Elena Amucileniței (Iași, 3rd year, BA) Imitation and Authenticity in Intercultural Communication
- **14:20 14:40:** Andreea Cristina Olteanu (Iași, 1st year, BA) Culture as a Globalization Issue
- **14:40 15:00:** Monica Cucu (Braşov, 3rd year, BA) Globalization and Hybridization in Orhan Pamuk's *The Black Book*
- **15:00 15:20:** Denisa-Oana Picioroagă (Iași, 1st year, MA) Man, I Am a Woman. Politically Correct.
- **15:20 15:40:** Diana Melnic (Cluj, 1st year, MA) Cultural Syncretism and the Negotiation of an Intercultural Identity in Role-playing Video Games
- **15:40 16:00:** Vlad Melnic (Cluj, 1st year, MA) Esports and the Deconstruction of the Cultural Divide

Panel 2 (Room 3.15 – Gr. Vereş) – Literatures in English; chairperson: Cipriana Barna

- **14:00 14:20:** Cipriana Barna (Iași, 2nd year, MA) Bridging Cultures: Antonio's *Borderlands* Identity in Rudolfo Anaya's *Bless Me, Ultima*
- 14:20 14:40: Alexandra Neamtu (Iași, 1st year, MA) It Is Merely a Trick of the Moonlight
- **14:40 15:00:** Andreea Marinescu (Braşov, 3rd year, BA) Hybrid Identity in the International Context of Henry James's *The Ambassadors*
- **15:00 15:20:** Mihail-Claudiu Cârcel (Iaşi, 3rd year, BA) The Unique Effect and The Never-Ending in Poe's Short Stories. The Importance of the Ending and its Taxonomy
- **15:20 15:40:** Andreea Mircea (Iași, 3rd year, BA) Psychological Trauma in Virginia Woolf's *Mrs. Dalloway*, J.D. Salinger's *A Perfect Day for Bananafish*, and Ernest Hemingway's *Soldier's Home*

15:40 – 16:00: Iulia Teodora Drişcu (Iaşi, 2nd year, BA) – Feminism in Jane Eyre

Panel 3 (Room Al. Dima) – Inter-American / American Studies; chairperson: Ştefana Iosif

- **14:00 14:24:** Ioana Andrada Poleucă (Iași, 1st year, MA) *White Man, Listen!* The Voice of an African-American Writer among Whites
- **14:24 14:48:** Lucian Troacă (Iași, 1st year, MA) An Interdisciplinary Approach of Antiamerican Cartoons in Romanian Press. 1948-1953
- **14:48 15:12:** Cătălin Nicolau (Iași, PhD) Cultural and Intercultural Issues in Gloria Anzaldúa's Poetry
- **15:12 15:36:** Ştefana Iosif (Iaşi, MA graduate) Reconciling the Identity Hyphen: American-Jewish Autobiographies
- **15:36 16:00:** Vasilica Mleşniţă (Iaşi, 1st year, PhD student) The Metaphor of the Innocent Land in Thomas Pynchon's *Entropy*
 - > 18:30: Dinner (*Titu Maiorescu* student cafeteria)

Sunday, May 7th

- > 10:00 11:30: Workshop (Ferdinand Hall)
- **▶** 11:30 12:00: Coffee Break (Department?)
- > 12:00 14:00: Panels

Panel 1 (Room III.12) – Cultural Studies; chairperson: Florina Năstase

- **12:00 12:20:** Laura Alexandra Gîrbea (Bucharest, 2nd year, MA) Two Centuries of Japanese Soft Power: from 1868 until 2017
- **12:20 12:40:** Laura Andreea Voicu (Bucharest, 2nd year, MA) "All with the Same Face": Registers of Dislocation in George Orwell's *1984*
- **12:40 13:00:** Raisa Borş (Iaşi, 1st year, MA) Identity Confusion in a Bicultural Context: Julia Alvarez's *How the García Girls Lost their Accents* (1991)
- 13:00 13:20: Sergiu Sebastian Cogeanu (Iaşi, 1st year, MA) Slavoj Žižek or the Abuse of Psychoanalysis
- **13:20 13:40:** Florina Năstase (Iași, 2nd year, PhD student) Simulation and Virtuality in Margaret Atwood's *Rape Fantasies*
- 13:40 14:00: Ligia Cruţ (Iaşi, 1st year, PhD student) Hand Gestures and Political Stances

Panel 2 (Room III.11) – Literatures in English; chairperson: Raluca Ștefania Pelin

12:00 – 12:20: Alina Georgiana Petcu (Bucharest, 2nd year, MA) – "Nolite te bastardes carborundorum": An Analysis of Dislocation in Margaret Atwood's *The Handmaid's Tale*

12:20 – 12:40: Robert Şröder (Suceava, 2nd year, MA) – Transnational Identities in Irvine Welsh's *Trainspotting*

12:40 – 13:00: Lăcrămioara Petronela Olaru (Iași, PhD student) – Only Connect

13:00 – 13:20: Raluca Ștefania Pelin (Iași, 1st year, PhD student) – Emotionally (Un)Intelligent Characters and the Power of Context on Shaping Identities in Kazuo Ishiguro's *The Remains of the Day*

13:20 – 13:40: Rinalda Sorana Fărăian (Cluj, 2nd year, PhD student) – From Posthistory to Posthumanism in Neil Gaiman's *Sandman*, Featuring the Motif of the Desert

13:40 – 14:00: Carina Brînzilă (Iași, PhD student) – Children's Literature and TEFL – Some Considerations

Panel 3 (Room 3.15 – Gr. Vereş) – chairperson: Raluca Ioniță

Media and Communication Studies:

12:00 – 12:20: Ramona Franziska Welther (Braşov, 3rd year, BA) – Teenagers' Literature

12:20 – 12:40: Raluca Ioniță (Bucharest, 2nd year, MA) – Music as a Salvation in the African-American Community: The Role of Jazz and Rap in *The Color Purple* and *8 Mile*

12:40 – 13:00: Andrei Neguţ (Timişoara, 1st year, MA) – A Review of Noam Chomsky's Propaganda Model in the Current Mediatic Context

13:00 − 13:20: Ines Nerina Râmbu (Iaşi, 1st year, MA) −?

Linguistics:

13:20 – 13:40: Silvia Ciugureanu (Braşov, 3rd year, BA) – A Linguistic View on American Postwar Culture

Translation Studies:

13:40 – 14:00: Kateřina Kuchyňková (Olomouc, 2nd year, BA) – Crossing the Borders: Translation of Czech Literature into a Foreign Language

Panel 4 (Room Al. Dima) – Linguistics & Translation Studies; chairperson: Alexandra-Maria Vrînceanu

12:00 – 12:20: Alexandra Giorgiana Bîja (Cluj, 1st year, MA) – Perspectives on the Influence of the Internet on Global Language

- **12:20 12:40:** Alexandra-Maria Vrînceanu (Iaşi, 1st year, MA) A Battle of Wits: An Analysis of Humor in Parliamentary Discourse
- 12:40 13:00: Cristina Misievici (Iaşi, 2nd year, PhD student) Musicology Texts Between Genres, Text Types and Prototypes
- 13:00 13:20: Mihaela Harasim (Iaşi, 2nd year, PhD student) Self-image Defence in the English Foreign Language Classroom. A Study of Instances of Face Threatening Acts
- 13:20 13:40: Arina Chirilă (Iași, PhD) Self-translations in a Third Language: Theoretical Premises and New Prospects
- **13:40 14:00:** Filip Hăvârneanu (Iași, 1st year, MA) ?
 - ➤ 16:00 17:00: Farewell Get-Together *To be confirmed*