Interstices
Center for Transversal Thinking

Alain Daniélou Foundation

ORDER AND DISORDER
FIGURES OF CHAOS AND POLITICS OF RESTITUTION

Venue: *The Labyrinth*, Alain Daniélou Foundation
Colle Labirinto 24, Zagarolo (Rome), Italy.
Dates: 8 to 10 May 2026

WORKSHOP PROGRAM

Arrival of the workshop participants in the afternoon/evening of May 7.

Friday 8 May

8:00 – 9:45 Breakfast

09.45 – 10:15 Opening session (Self-Introduction)

10:15 – 11:00 Adrián Navigante (Interstices Center, Germany): *Introduction. Ethno-Poietic Intimations on the Reverse-Side of Mimesis.*

11:00 – 11:15 Coffee Break

11:15 – 12:45 Graham Harvey (The Open University, United Kingdom): *Chaotic Gaia and the Re-ordering of Terran Life.*

13:15 – 14:45 Lunch

15:00 – 16:30 Peter Skafish (Sol Foundation, USA): *Eschaton and Catastrophe: The Politics of Unidentified Anomalous Phenomena Disclosure.*

16:30 – 18:00 Alessandro Montefameglio (Vita-Salute San Raffaele University, Italy): *An Impossible Care. Variations on Rhetoric, Music, and Health.*

18:00 – 18:15 Coffee Break

18:15 – 19:45 Monika Hirmer (FAU Erlangen-Nürnberg, Germany): *Order and disorder in the Pursuit of Auspicious Existence among Tantric Practitioners in South India*

20:00 Dinner

Saturday 9 May

8:00 – 9:30 Breakfast

09:30 – 11:00 Amanda Viana de Sousa (Interstices Center, Germany): *Animistic Settings: A Challenge for Philosophy?*

11:00 – 11:15 Coffee Break

11:15 – 12:45 Ede Frecska (DEKK Psychiatry Clinic, Hungary): *The Science of Shamanism.*

13:15 – 14:45 Lunch

15:00 – 16:30 Raquel Romberg (FAU Erlangen-Nürnberg, Germany): *Commemoration as/or Restitution: The Politics of Chaotic Absences and Palatable Presences.*

16:30 – 18:00 Juan Rivera (IFK International Research Center for Cultural Studies, Austria): *Disorder as the Condition for Appropriation, Fertilization and World Reproduction in an Andean Ritual Triad of Humans and Non-Humans*

18:00 – 18:15 Coffee break

18:15 – 19:45 Sergio González Varela (University of Warsaw, Poland): *Ritual, Death, and Disappearance: How to Understand the Intensification of Contemporary Violence in Mexico.*

20:00 Dinner

Sunday 10 May

8:00 – 9:30 Breakfast

09:30 – 11:00 Paul Stoller (FAU Erlangen-Nürnberg, Germany; University of Pennsylvania and West Chester University, United States): *The Wisdom of West African Healers: Lessons for a Troubled World.*

11:00 – 11:15 Coffee break

11:15 – 12:00 Closing Discussion

13:00 – 14:30 Lunch

Afternoon: Visit to the Umbanda/Candomblé *terreiro* of Ìyàlórìṣà (Mãe de Santo) Raffaella di Iemanjá at Fara in Sabina (Latium, Italy).

Departure of the workshop participants between the evening of May 10 and the morning of May 11.