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**2024 AATSEEL–AZ In-Person Conference**

**Saturday, April 6, 2024**

**ASU Tempe Campus, Durham Hall 240, 851 Cady Mall, Tempe, AZ 85287-0202**

**10:00-11:00 Welcome & Keynote Address (from Hawai'i, via zoom):**

**Erica Glenn**, [ekglenn@asu.edu](mailto:ekglenn@asu.edu) Assistant Professor, Culture, Language & Performing Arts, Brigham Young University-Hawaii, DMA (Choral Conducting) ASU 2020, EdM Harvard University 2014, MA (Music Composition) Longy School of Music 2012, BA Music ASU 2007

“Stefania Turkevych: The Lost History of Ukraine’s First Female Composer”

On zoom: <https://asu.zoom.us/j/4717020590>

**11:00-11:15 Break**

**11:15-1:15 Panel 1: Cultural and Military Front Lines**

**Chair: Prof. Eugene Clay**, [Eugene.Clay@asu.edu](mailto:Eugene.Clay@asu.edu) Religious Studies, SHPRS, ASU  
5 papers @ 20 minutes each plus 20 minutes discussion

1 – **Anastasia Gordienko**, [gordienko@arizona.edu](mailto:gordienko@arizona.edu) Associate Professor, Russian & Slavic Studies, University of Arizona

Harmonies of Discord: Shanson's Reaction to the Russian Invasion of Ukraine

2 – **Ana Hedberg Olenina**, [Ana.Olenina@asu.edu](mailto:Ana.Olenina@asu.edu) Associate Professor, Comparative Literature and Media Studies, SILC, ASU

Preserving and Decolonizing Ukraine’s Film Legacy: My Conversations with Scholars and Filmmakers

3 - **Jarrold Rodriguez**, [jprodr12@asu.edu](mailto:jprodr12@asu.edu) BA Russian, Russian and East European Studies Certificate, ASU 2024

The International Legion of Ukraine

4 - **Rob Cuthbert**, [pyotr.cuthbert@icloud.com](mailto:pyotr.cuthbert@icloud.com) Russian Program, Melikian Center Affiliate, MA Liberal Studies, College of Integrative Sciences and Arts, ASU 2024  
Research, Journalism, and the Russian Language: Using a Diverse Set of Tools to Understand Conflict and Change in the Post-Soviet World

5 - **Rebecca Stuch**, [rstuch@asu.edu](mailto:rstuch@asu.edu) Phd Student, Innovation in Global Development, College of Global Futures, ASU  
Conceptualizing National Identity through Digital Storytelling in the Republic of Moldova

### **1:15-2:15 AATSEEL-AZ Lunch: DH 241 & DH 243**

Presenters should plan on finding lunch at the Memorial Union or on College Ave  
Slavic Faculty will have a meeting over a boxed lunch at Melikian Center, Durham Hall

### **2:15-4:15 Panel 2: Russians Abroad: Spheres of Influence**

**Chair: Prof. Ana Hedberg Olenina**, [Ana.Olenina@asu.edu](mailto:Ana.Olenina@asu.edu) ASU  
5 papers @ 20 minutes each plus 20 minutes discussion

6 – **Hilde Hoogenboom**, [hilde.hoogenboom@asu.edu](mailto:hilde.hoogenboom@asu.edu) Associate Professor, Russian, School of International Letters & Cultures  
An Officer and a Lady: Cavalry Staff Captain Alexander Andreevich Alexandrov (1783-1866), aka Nadezhda Andreevna Durova

7 - **Eugene Clay**, [Eugene.Clay@asu.edu](mailto:Eugene.Clay@asu.edu) Associate Professor of Religious Studies, SHPRS  
Russian Travelers to Nubia: Three Perspectives on Race, Africa, and Unfreedom

8 – **Irina Levin**, [ilevin3@asu.edu](mailto:ilevin3@asu.edu) Assistant Teaching Professor, Honors Faculty Fellow, Barrett, The Honors College  
21st-Century Roxelanas: Post-Soviet Women Working in Turkey

9 – **Mahtab Jaghrati**, [mjaghrat@asu.edu](mailto:mjaghrat@asu.edu) Barrett, The Honors College, BS Political Science ASU 2024  
Incompatibility of Democracy with the Islamic Republic of Iran: Contrary to the Claims of Ayatollah Khomeini

10 – **Eszter Eva Matyas**, [ematyas2@asu.edu](mailto:ematyas2@asu.edu) PhD Candidate, Environmental Sciences and Policy, Central European University, Vienna, and Melikian Center Global Teaching Fellow 2023-24  
Pathways to Political Legitimacy: Examining Nuclear Energy Policies and Parliamentary Rhetoric in Hungary (1948-2022)

**4:15-4:30 Break**

**4:30-6:30 Panel 3: Language, Literature, and Culture**

**Chair: Prof. Anastasia Gordienko, [gordienko@arizona.edu](mailto:gordienko@arizona.edu)** University of Arizona  
5 papers @ 20 minutes each plus 20 minutes discussion

**11 – Mae Al-Thenayan, [maealthenayan@arizona.edu](mailto:maealthenayan@arizona.edu)** MA Candidate, Russian & Slavic Studies, University of Arizona, ASU BA 2023  
“A Caucasian Mystery:” Caucasian Muslim Women through the Lens of 19<sup>th</sup>-century Russian Authors

**12 – Sterling West, [sterlingw@arizona.edu](mailto:sterlingw@arizona.edu)** MA Candidate, Russian & Slavic Studies, University of Arizona  
Education Systems and Their Effects Upon the Socio-Linguistic Identities of the Uyghurs and Dungans of Kyrgyzstan

**13 – Tatiana Ulanova, [tatianaulanova@arizona.edu](mailto:tatianaulanova@arizona.edu)** MA Candidate, Russian & Slavic Studies, University of Arizona  
Poetesses' View on Revolution: The Paris Note of Russian Emigration in Lidia Cervinskaya's "I Just Hope That It Was All A Dream..." and "There Are Many Who Believe That Russia..."

**14 – Charlotte Benchoff, [charlotte.benchoff@gmail.com](mailto:charlotte.benchoff@gmail.com)** Barrett, The Honors College, BA Russian ASU 2024  
Revolution and the Avant Garde: Connecting Early Soviet Film and the French New Wave

**6:30 Closing Remarks**

