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SOCIOLOGY

Doctoral Theses

538. BHIRDIKAR (Urmila)

Sociological Study of the Practice of Female Impersonation in Marathi Theatre in the Late 19th and Early 20th Century.

Supervisor: Prof. Deepak Mehta

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Abstract

The study looks at an overview of Marathi Theatre (1840s-1940s). Marathi theatre has been a coveted subject of study in Marathi literary criticism and historiography. At a general level it can be said that the investigation of the practice of female impersonation in this corpus of study either echoes the homophobic view that female impersonators are an inevitability of times when women's social appearance is restricted. The castist and masculinist attitude embedded in this view needs no further comment when realize that the practice of female impersonation thrived on the strength of audience preference for female impersonators, who in turn are competing with actresses, albeit small in number. The only two available commentaries in English are in the form of essays by Kathryn Hasen and Neera Adarkar and serve as path makers in this study.

Contents

1. The female impersonator actor in Marathi theatre. 2. The practice of female impersonation in its Larger context. 3. The practice of female impersonation and the emerging idscourse of sexuality. 4. The representation of respectable and attractive femininity: Text and performance. 5. The power of music and representation of femininity: A contested terrain. Conclusion, appendix and bibliography.

539. CHOWDHURY (Asim)

Electronic Meida and Cultures of Communication : A Sociological Study of the Internet.

Supervisor: Prof. Roma Chaterji

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Abstract

The study highlights that the internet has tranformed the human society in countless different ways. The internet is long tradition of the electronic media. The influence of the internet as a media form remains unprecedented in scale and scope. The increasing influence of this medium in our everyday lives, in the way we consume information and relate to others, the culture of internet communication will continue to form, reform and transform the modern society in significant ways.

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1. Introduction. 2. History of the internet. 3. Methodology. 4. Blogs as a public sphere and a socio-cultural phenomenon. 5. Search engines and social networking systems - The culture of socio-technological artifacts. 6. Reality television and media convergence: A study of the Sa Re Ga Ma Pa reality show in India. 7. Conclusion and references.

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Re-Thinking the SC/ST and Queer Bodies Through Law (1989/2009)

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Supervisor: Prof. Roma Chatterji

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Supervisor : Prof. Rajni Palriwala

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Supervisor : Dr. Janaki Abraham

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Sikhism and the Caste Question: A Case Study on Punjab.

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Supervisor : Prof. Satish Deshpande

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I, Me & Myself: Anthropological Distance and Personal

Narratives.

Supervisor: Dr. Rabindra Ray

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Development, Displacement and Tribal India: A Sociological

Analysis.

Supervisor: Dr. Meena Radhakrishna

551. YUSUF KHAN

Marriage Among Mislims in India.

Supervisor: Dr. Anuja Agrawal