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WELCOME TO AN OPEN WORKSHOP

Hidden Within:

Stories from Australian Students Studying Indigenous Knowledges Meet Sámi Perspectives

Tuesday September 27th, 15.15-18.00
Centre for Gender Research, seminar room downstairs (KWB)
Villavägen 6, Botaniska trädgården
RVSP to may-britt.ohman@gender.uu.se latest by Sept. 26

15.15-15.25 Welcome and introduction by chair Dr. Gunilla Larsson, Technoscience research group, Cfg and Sámi land Free University, also president of Uppsam – the association for Sámi related research in Uppsala.

15.25-15.45 Mr. Stefan Mikaelsson, president of the plenary assembly of the Sámi Parliament: *Some Reflections on Indigenous higher education, research and International exchange for mutual support for Indigenous Peoples*

15.45-16.05 Simon Wetterlund, president of the Sámi Parliament party "Samerna" – (the Sámi): *Sámi Political Learning: My Experiences and Thoughts about the Future*

16.05-16.30 Break

16. 30-17.15 Students of the University of Adelaide, Australia with Dr Frances Wyld: *Hidden within: Stories from Australian Students Studying Indigenous Knowledges*

17.15-18.00 Time for discussions

Abstract: The University of Adelaide introduced Indigenous Knowledges as a major within a Bachelor of Arts in 2014. Ten Indigenous and non-Indigenous students are now in their second year and have travelled to Sweden to share knowledge with Sámi scholars, community and parliamentarians as well as other interested people. ***Hidden Within*** is the theme of their host gift. Designed by Indigenous artist-in-residence and scholar Conrad Blackman it is a clever 3-dimensional dot painting that hides the image of a snake within its points. The students will tell their stories of studying Indigenous Knowledges alongside their other disciplines such as psychological sciences, arts, International Development and social sciences. The snake is an important creation and lore creature within Australian Indigenous spiritually known as the Dreaming. In the artworks the snake can be seen if you change your visual perspective just as Indigenous Knowledges can be understood and used to create a better way of life if you fearlessly make room within your paradigm of knowing and being.

Dr. Frances Wyld is a Martu woman (Indigenous people of the Pilbara region of Australia) and Program Coordinator at Wirltu Yarlu Aboriginal Education at the University of Adelaide.

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