HUMANITIES INSTITUTE AT STONY BROOK PRESENTS

Faculty Lunchtime Talks

Wednesday, Sept. 28, 2016
1–2:30 pm, 1008 Humanities

Rita Nezami, Program in Writing & Rhetoric
Translation of the Arab Spring: Fiction and Nonfiction

In his novella By Fire, Moroccan writer Tahar Ben Jelloun tells the story of the young Tunisian, Mohamed Bouazizi, whose self-immolation is said to have triggered the Arab Spring. Ben Jelloun attempts to understand what pushed the young man to this. Nezami will talk about why she decided to translate this and other works on the Arab Spring, the translation process, and how her critical introduction to the book will provide readers with strategies on how to approach these texts.

Rita Nezami teaches in the Writing & Rhetoric Program at Stony Brook University where she focuses on global issues, global literature, visual rhetoric, and the personal essay. Nezami earned her PhD in postcolonial Francophone literature and its translation. She has published translations from French of several works by Tahar Ben Jelloun.

COMING SOON

Wednesday, Oct 19, 2016
1-2:30pm, 1008 Humanities

David Taylor, Sustainability Studies Program
Donovan Finn, Sustainability Studies Program
Karina Yager, Sustainability Studies Program