

# Middle East and Middle Eastern American Center CONFERENCE: Centennial of the 1919 Egyptian Revolution

The 1919 Egyptian Revolution changed Egypt, affecting politics, culture, history, and art, and reverberating globally. Speakers at this conference will cover the impact of the 1919 Egyptian Revolution on society and law

**9:30 – 10:00 | Registration**

**10:00 – 10:15 | Opening Remarks**

Tarek Saadawi (CUNY, the Alliance of Egyptians in North America) and Beth Baron (Director, Middle East and Middle Eastern American Center, CUNY)

**10:15 – 10:45 | Keynote**

Mohamed Aboulghar (Professor Emeritus, Cairo University)

**11:00- 12:15 | Session 1: Creativity and Class**

Mr. Thomas Gorguissian (Journalist)

“The Revolution of Hearts, Minds and Creativity”

Kyle Anderson (Assistant Professor, History, Old Westbury, SUNY)

“Whose Revolution? The Peasant Rebellion of 1918 and the Egyptian ‘nationalist’ Revolution”

Discussant: Robert Tignor (Professor Emeritus, History, Princeton University)

**12:15 – 1:15 | Lunch**

**1:15 – 2:30 | Session 2: The Law and Minorities**

Jeffrey Culang (IHS Fellow, University of Texas at Austin)

“Speech and Secrecy in Egyptian Law before and after 1919”

Hussein Omar (Lecturer in Modern Global History, University College Dublin, National University of Ireland)

“A Minority is Like a Microbe’: How Egypt Forgot Its Sectarian Past in 1919”

Discussant: Eve Troutt Powell (Distinguished Professor, History, University of Pennsylvania)

**2:30 – 2:45 | Coffee Break**

**2:45 – 4:00 | Session 3: Medicine and Bodies**

Beth Baron (Distinguished Professor, History, City College and Graduate Center)

“Birthing Egyptians: Mothers, Medical Doctors, and the 1919 Revolution”

Nefertiti Takla (Assistant Professor, Manhattan College)

“Civilizing Women: Gender, Sexuality, and National Belonging during the Egyptian Revolution, 1919-1921”

Discussant: Amr Kamal (Assistant Professor, French and Arabic, City College)

**4:00 – 5:15 | Panel Discussion: The Revolution and Its Aftermaths**

Panelists: Amr Kamal, Robert Tignor, Eve Troutt Powell

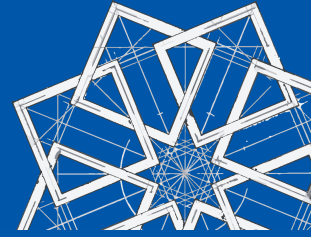
**5:15 | Closing Remarks**

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Free open to the public: Register at <https://centennial.cuny.cuny.edu/registration.html>

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May 24th at  
9:30 AM**

**Location:  
Elbash Recital  
Hall of the  
Graduate  
Center, CUNY**

The Graduate Center,  
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