

# Tuesday Afternoon

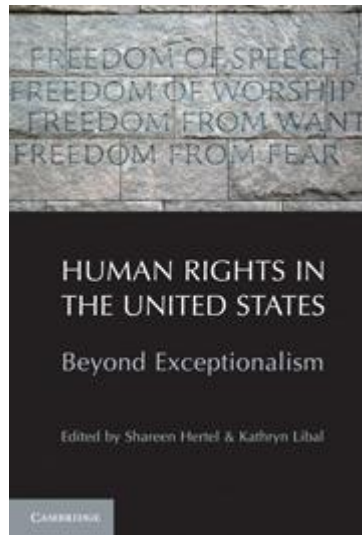
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## Faculty News

**Shareen Hertel** and Kathryn Libal (UConn School of Social Work) have co-edited a volume for Cambridge University Press, titled *Human Rights in the United States: Beyond Exceptionalism*. The book will be released on April 18. Its fifteen chapters explore how human rights law and advocacy strategies are being applied to contemporary rights violations in the United States. Among the topics covered are disability rights, indigenous rights, domestic violence, prisoners' rights, welfare reform, LGBT rights, the rights of internally displaced people, business, and human rights/environmental justice, along with a range of corresponding institutional reform issues.



**Richard Hiskes** delivered a keynote address at the 24th Annual Utah Valley Symposium in Environmental Ethics on April 7th in Salt Lake City. His talk was titled, "*The Relational Foundations of Environmental Rights: From Hobbes to the Human Right to Water.*"

**David Yalof** wrote an article, titled “Collegiality on the U.S. Supreme Court: An Early Assessment of the Roberts Court,” which has been accepted for publication at *Judicature*. The article was co-authored with **Joey Mello**.

**Vincent Moscardelli** was a guest on the Colin McEnroe show on WNPR (April 11). The topic of the show was Poetry, Politics & Bully Pulpits. More information is available on: <http://www.yourpublicmedia.org/node/12100>

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## Graduate Student News

**Kristy Belton**’s article, “Dry land drowning or rip current survival? Haitians without status in the Bahamas,” will be published in issue 34.6 (June 2011) of *Ethnic and Racial Studies*. The article is currently available online via the journal’s iFirst service. Kristy would like to thank Professor Ernie Zirakzadeh for his comments on an earlier draft of the manuscript. The abstract of the article is, as follows: Recent scholarship contends that collective action emerges when human rights are violated. This article investigates why Haitians without status in the Bahamas have yet to mobilize collectively for basic rights and protections, despite discrimination and exploitation. The article examines two analogies to explain their immobilization. The analogy of dry land drowning utilizes Goffman’s *Stigma* (1963) framework to describe how social

prejudice hinders the ability of Haitians without status to act, while the analogy of rip current survival explains how institutional drawbacks pull Haitians without status away from movement activity through a political process analysis. The article contends that both interpretations are inadequate when taken alone and provides suggestions for future research into Bahamian-Haitian relations.

**Shawna Lesseur** received a Tinker Foundation Field Research Grant, through the UConn’s Center for Latin American and Caribbean Studies to conduct summer research in Peru. Shawna will focus her research on the Peruvian cultural group *Yuyachkani*, one of the best known and respected political theatre groups in Latin America.

## Upcoming Events

Thursday, April 14 4 p.m. Reception to follow Contact: Human Rights Institute	<i>Afghanistan and the Vortex: Humanitarianism in Question</i>  A Roundtable Discussion  <b>Tatsushi Arai</b> , Peace Negotiator and Professor, SIT Graduate Institute; <b>Vanessa Gezari</b> , Independent Journalist; <b>Edward Giradet</b> , Journalist and Director, Institute for Media & Global Governance; and <b>Charles Norchi</b> , International Lawyer and Professor University of Maine	Konover Auditorium, Dodd Center
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## Alan R. Bennett Lecture Series

Thursday, April 14. 12:15 p.m. Contact: Jeremy.pressman@uconn.edu	<i>“Inside the Radical Right: The Development of Anti-Immigrant Parties in Western Europe.”</i>  Prof. David Art, Tufts University.	Monteith 119
<b>“Politics and Pizza”</b>		
Friday, April 15. 3p.m.- 4p.m.	<i>“Political Institutions, Governance, and FDI in China and India”.</i>  Prof. Yu Zheng	Monteith 119
Friday, April 22. 3p.m.- 4p.m.	<i>“Social Movements and Framing Decisions: Ecuador’s Campaign for the Rights of Nature”</i> —Dissertation Prospectus.  María Fernanda Enríquez L.	Monteith 119

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