

## The Forces of Nature in German Romanticism

(organized by Frederike Middelhoff & Adrian Renner)

### GSA Virtual Meeting 2020

30.9. and 1.10.2020, 11am – 2:15pm EST (17-20.15 Uhr MEZ)

(Info: <https://www.thegsa.org>)

#### 9/30: 11 - 12:30pm: The Forces of Nature in German Romanticism: Concepts, Theories, Practices (I)

Moderator: **Elisa Ronzheimer** (Bielefeld University)

Commentator: **Adrian Renner** (University of Hamburg)

**Siarhei Biareishyk** (University of Pennsylvania): Kraft, Conatus, Force, Power: Novalis Reading Schelling's *Von der Weltseele*

**Joanna Raisbeck** (University of Oxford): Spinozist Pantheism in Karoline von Günderrode (1780–1806)

**Marius Reisener** (Humboldt University Berlin): "Ruhepunct am Hebel." The Lever as Meta-Metaphora of Romantic Praxeology

#### 9/30: 12:45 - 2:15pm: The Forces of Nature in German Romanticism: Bodies, Conflicts, Symptoms (II)

Moderator: **Joanna Raisbeck** (University of Oxford)

Commentator: **Susan Morrow** (Yale University)

**Alice A. Kuzniar** (University of Waterloo): Homeopathy's Dynamic Forces

**Frederike Middelhoff** (Goethe-University Frankfurt): Romanticizing *vis medicatrix naturae*

**Adrian Renner** (University of Hamburg): Opposite Forces: Nature, Dualism and Gender in Romantic "Lebenskraft"

#### 10/1: 11:00 - 12:30pm: The Forces of Nature in German Romanticism: *Poiesis*, Powers, Impacts (III)

Moderator: **Marius Reisener** (Humboldt University Berlin)

Commentator: **Frederike Middelhoff** (Goethe University Frankfurt)

**Margaret Strair** (University of Pennsylvania): The Materiality of the Sensorium and the Dark Side of Nature in Justinus Kerner's and E.T.A Hoffmann's Literary Media

**Daniel Carranza** (Harvard University): "die Kraft der Liebe." On Symbolic Exchange in Goethe's *Märchen*

**Justus Fetscher** (University of Mannheim): Fürchterliche Fortwirkung. Die poetische Kraft von Kleists Natur

#### 10/1: 12:45 - 2:15pm: The Forces of Nature in German Romanticism: Forms, Sounds, Patterns (IV)

Moderator: **Daniel Carranza** (Harvard University)

Commentator: **Marius Reisener** (Humboldt University Berlin)

**Elisa Ronzheimer** (Bielefeld University): Forces of Rhythm ca. 1800

**Steven Lydon** (University of Tokyo): Helmholtz and Schiller: Kraft and Ruhe

Closing Discussion