

Welcome to a mini symposium with historians of ideas from Södertörn University (Sweden)

The 20th of June, 10 00-12 30. Room 314, Centre of Scandinavian Studies, Universiteto g. 5, Vilnius. The event will be conducted in English.

Introduction by dr. Rebecka Lettevall, the head of The Centre for Baltic and East European Studies (CBEEES)

Lena Lennerhed:

Troubled women. Abortion in the Swedish welfare state

Leif Runefelt:

On the road towards ruin? Conceptions of the consumer in 18th-century Sweden

Magnus Rodell

Narrating the nation: On public monuments 1850-2015

The speakers and presentations

Lena Lennerhed is professor in History of Ideas. Her research focuses on the history of sexuality in Sweden in the 20th century: sex liberalism, sex reform movements, homosexuality, abortion and contraceptives etc. In 2008 her book *Historier om ett brott* ("His/stories about a crime. Illegal abortions in Sweden") was published. Lennerhed's talk will deal with legal abortion in Sweden 1938-1975, the role of psychiatry and representations of abortion seeking women.

Leif Runefelt is associate professor in History of Ideas. His recent research focuses primarily on conceptions of society and consumption during the long 18th century (1680-1830). He will present his latest book, *"Att hasta mot undergången..."* ("Hasting towards ruin..."), published in 2015, which deals with the Swedish debate on consumption 1730-1830 in the light of the ongoing European consumer revolution.

Magnus Rodell is associate professor in History of Ideas. His research has focused on nation-building, public monuments, material culture, memory and place mostly in Swedish or Scandinavian contexts. Rodell current research is about the Islamic State and the contemporary destruction of world heritage sites. In his talk Rodell will discuss the 19th and 20th century public monument as a distinct spatial narrating media form.

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