17:00

Gallery Tour by Dr. Tamar Mayer, Tel Aviv University

Exhibition: **Defense-Lines: Maginot, Bar-Lev and Beyond**

The Genia Schreiber University Art Gallery

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18:00

Greetings: Daphna Hacker, Tel Aviv University

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18:15

**Keynote:** Rachela Salazar Parrenas, University of Southern California - **Mobilizing Morality: Migrant Domestic Workers in the UAE**

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19:15

Welcome Reception

Kuchinate - African Refugee Women’s Collective - Baskets and Crafts Sale

**Meeting with Activists** – Open discussion with Filipina parents struggling against deportation (organizer: Nily Gorin)

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20:00

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In most destinations across the globe, migrant domestic workers are rendered unfree laborers as their visas bind them to solely work for their employer-sponsor and in varying degrees are unable to freely leave their employment. This is the case in the United Arab Emirates, where domestic workers must secure the permission of their employer to transfer jobs. How does the legal status of being unfree shape labor conditions in domestic work? What are the labor standards of unfree domestic workers? Contrary to other studies, this talk shows that the unfree status of domestic workers does not necessarily lead to their uniform subjugation into "modern day slavery" (Ray Jureidini), "structural violence" (Pardis Mahdavi), or "human trafficking" (Human Rights Watch) but instead results in various standards of employment as they are either dehumanized, infantilized and/or recognized. This talk describes and accounts for this diversity, arguing that morals mediate experiences of unfree labor. How various stakeholders - governments, non-governmental organizations and domestic workers - mobilize morality to establish labor standards in the unregulated and non-standardized occupation of domestic work is addressed.