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Research outputs

From Global to National: Mapping the Trajectory of the South African Video Game Industry

van der Merwe, R., 10-Mar-2021, (Accepted/In press) *Re-imagining Communication in Africa and the Caribbean: Global South Issues in Media, Culture and Technology*. Dunn, H. S., Moyo, D., Lesitaokana, W. O. & Barnabas, S. B. (eds.). Palgrave MacMillan

Imperial Play

van der Merwe, R., Mar-2021, In: *Communication, Culture & Critique*. 14, 1, p. 37-51 15 p.

Africa On Demand: Analyzing the Production and Distribution of African Narratives through Podcasting

van der Merwe, R., 21-Feb-2021, *Routledge Handbook of African Media and Communication Studies*. Mano, W. & Milton, V. C. (eds.). 1 ed. Routledge

We are not South African: Decolonizing National Identity in a Post-Apartheid State

van der Merwe, R., 2020, 331 p.

We are all amakwerekwere: #RhodesMustFall: nibbling at resilient colonialism in South Africa, by Francis Nyamnjoh, Cameroon, Langaa RPCIG, 2016

van der Merwe, R. L., 11-Oct-2018, In: *Cultural Studies*. 33, 5, p. 888-891 4 p.

Gaming the Nation

van der Merwe, R., 7-Jan-2018, Center for Media, Religion and Culture.

The Imagined Communities of Toxic Puppies: Considering fan community discourse in the 2015 Hugo Awards "Puppygate" controversy.

Stevens, J. R. & van der Merwe, R., 2018, In: *Participations: Journal of Audience and Reception Studies*. 15, 1, p. 207-230 24 p.

Is Anyone Out There?

van der Merwe, R., 2017, Center for Media, Religion and Culture.

Activities

International Communication Association 2021 Annual Meeting (Event)

Rachel Merwe, van der (Peer reviewer)
2021

International Communication Association (External organisation)

Rachel van der Merwe (Member)
2021 → 2024

The Writing is on the Wall: Emigration, Digital Media, & the Nation

Rachel van der Merwe (Speaker)
2021

I am not a Node: The Individual & the Commons

Rachel van der Merwe (Speaker)
18-Nov-2020

Reconceptualizing Sociopolitical Imaginaries as Open Communication: Dismantling the Nation through Ubuntu

Rachel van der Merwe (Speaker)
2020

The Lion and the Journal (Journal)

Rachel van der Merwe (Peer reviewer)
2020 → ...

Cultural Studies: New Origins & New Futures

Rachel van der Merwe (Speaker)
14-Nov-2019 → 17-Nov-2019

For whom do we do this work and in whose voice? International Communication in Africa and the quest for a Normative Framework

Gregory Gondwe (Speaker) & Rachel van der Merwe (Speaker)
2019

Imagined Borders, Epistemic Freedoms

Rachel van der Merwe (Organiser)
2019 → 2020

Off-Centre Cultural Studies Collective (External organisation)

Rachel van der Merwe (Member)
2019 → ...

Reconfiguring the Individual with *ubuntu*: An Examination of Human Rights Language from the Perspective of the Global South

Rachel van der Merwe (Speaker)
2019

Simagine Research Consortium (External organisation)

Rachel van der Merwe (Member)
2019 → ...

Brothers From Another Mother: The Uncanny Relationship between the United States and South Africa

Rachel van der Merwe (Speaker)
2018

Imperial Play

Rachel van der Merwe (Speaker)
2018

Outsiders in Italy: The Presence of the Post-Colonial Gaze in Paolo Sorrentino's *The Great Beauty*

Rachel van der Merwe (Speaker)
2018

Reimagining the University

Rachel van der Merwe (Organiser)
2018 → 2019

The Acoustics of Cognitive Estrangement

Rachel van der Merwe (Speaker)
2018

The Shared Belief Systems of #RhodesMustFall and #FeesMustFall in South Africa

Rachel van der Merwe (Speaker)
2018

Whose Universe Is It Anyway?: The Imperialistic Rhetoric of Space Exploration and Planetary Colonization

Rachel van der Merwe (Speaker)
2018

Antidote to a Single Story: Podcasting in South Africa

Rachel van der Merwe (Speaker)
2017

From MOOC to Minerva: Democratizing Education in the Digital Age

Rachel van der Merwe (Speaker)
2017

Center for Media, Religion and Culture (External organisation)

Rachel van der Merwe (Member)
2016 → ...

Prizes**Gerald Bean Memorial Scholarship**

van der Merwe, Rachel (Recipient), 2018

IAMCR Section & Working Group Project Grant

van der Merwe, Rachel (Recipient), 2019

ICOG Research Grant

van der Merwe, Rachel (Recipient), 2020

Lilly Graduate Fellow

van der Merwe, Rachel (Recipient), 2016