

# The Politics of Emotion: Male Grief, Mediterranean Honor, and Civic Order



**Carol Lansing (History UCSB) Friday, November 18, 2005  
12:00 PM / Free / Room 4020 HSSB.**

Carol Lansing is a professor in the Department of History. This work-shop deals with the themes of her forthcoming book.

Scholars at least since Ernesto da Martino in the 1950s have argued that grieving the dead was a traditional female role in Mediterranean lands. Lansing argues instead that dramatic male laments were normal practice in medieval Italy, and those ideas of male decorum and honor changed about 1300. That change offers a way to examine the intersection of understandings of interior emotion, gender and political order.

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