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INSPIRING
PEOPLE





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THE OPPORTUNITY
TO LEARN FROM
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REFUGEE FESTIVAL
SCOTLAND

20 June – 2 July 2017

20 June
World Refugee Day

#RefugeeFestScotland

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scottish
refugee
council

30
years



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Refugee Integration through Languages and the Arts

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The ones we are missing





The third said: “The grass is growing up my chimney” but the hermit answered “And you have driven away hospitality.”



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“Hospitality is culture itself”
Derrida (2001: 16)



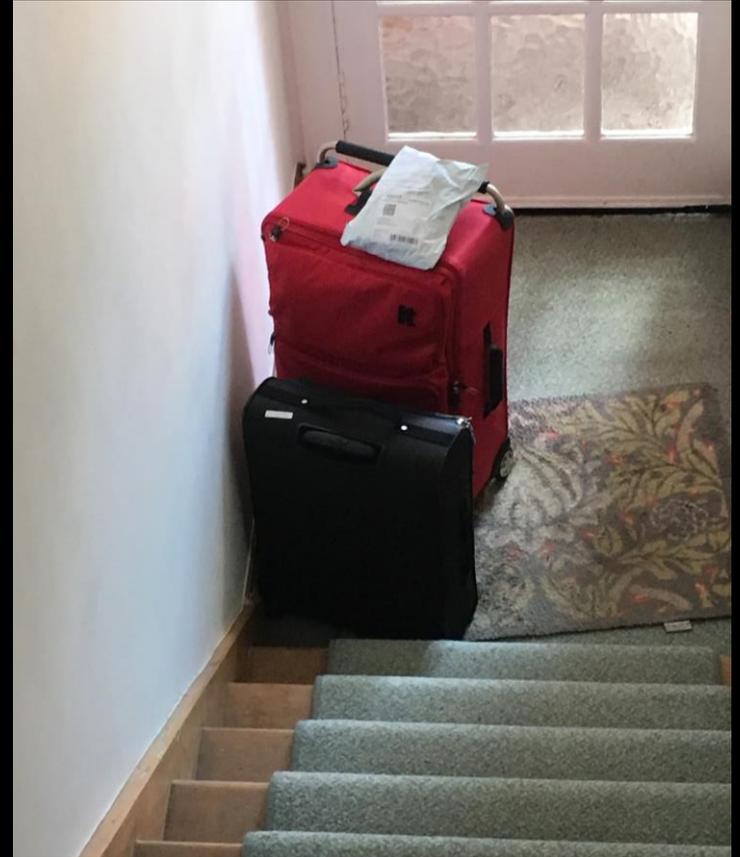


Integration as Hospitality

Integration is a question of mutual, reciprocal hospitality.

Individual and collective.

'Das Zwischenmenschliche'
– the quick of human-relatedness





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A home without hospitality....





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Hospitality Today

“The act and practice of being hospitable; the reception and entertainment of guests, visitors, or strangers, liberality and goodwill.”
(OED)





Middle English

“The reception and entertainment of guests and strangers; also, the giving of lodging, sustenance, and care to those in poverty or distress.”

1384 – Wycliffe Bible. Rom 12.13 – ‘kepinge hospitalite, that is, herboringe or pore men.’



Carson: *The Economy of the Unlost*

Xenia – ‘guest-friendship’
‘no one who handles
money remains
unchanged’.

‘Xenia: emphatically non-
mercantile in spirit. Profit
is not the point.

In fact, the point is to put
yourself in debt.’





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‘The point was to put yourself in debt’

Interculturally; linguistically;
Nationally; Internationally

An gift economy of reciprocity
where collectively and
individually we are practising
the **art** of hospitality.





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Integration- is the art of making culture
as reciprocity.





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Disintegration: 'Things fall apart'





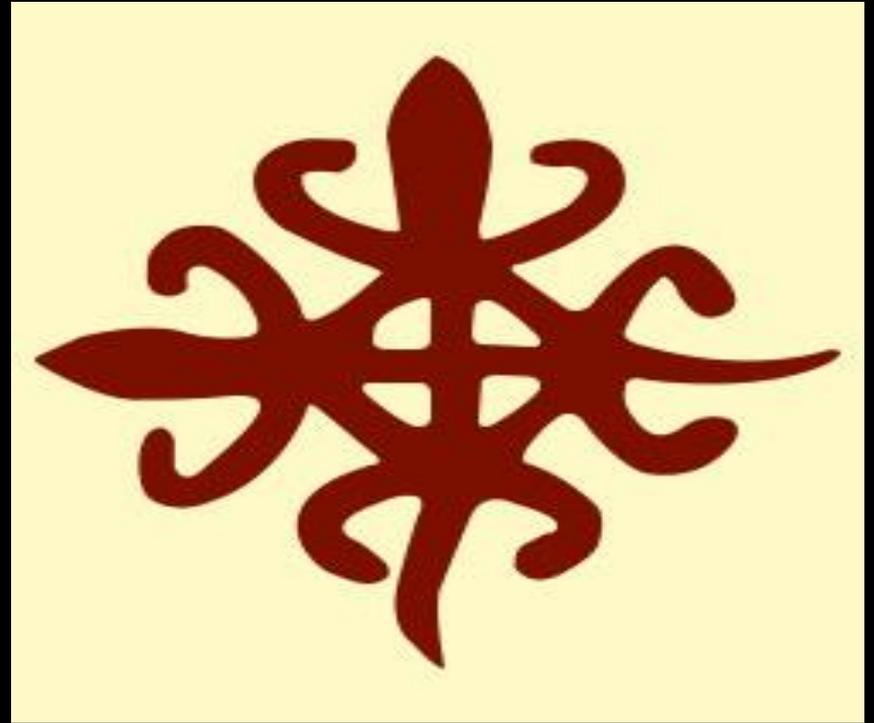
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Displacement & Dispossession



We Refugees: Arendt (1943)

“The concomity of the European peoples went to pieces, when, and because, it allowed its weakest member to be excluded and persecuted.”
(Arendt: p119).



Necropolitics

Apparently no one wants to know that contemporary history has created a new kind of human being – the kind that are put in concentration camps by their foes and internment camps by their friends.
(p111)





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Decolonisation





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Border Crossing in Togo





Decreation

‘Decreation’: to make something created pass into the uncreated.

Destruction: to make something created pass into nothingness.





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Buidheann nan Dùthchannan
Aonaichte airson Foghlaim,
Saidheans is Cultair



• Cathraiche UNESCO ann
• an Amalachas Fhògarrach tro
• Chànain is na h-Ealainean



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Refugee Integration Policy - Scotland

Scotland is a uniquely placed to contribute to the global dialogue on refugee integration.

World-wide recognition for New Scots and integration from Day 1.

Indicators of integration.





Ager & Strang 2008



A Conceptual Framework Defining Core Domains of Integration

From: "Understanding Integration: A Conceptual Framework" J Refugee Stud. 2008;21(2):166-191. doi:10.1093/jrs/fen016



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Through Languages and Arts



UNESCO Programme
focuses on the arts of
linguistic and cultural
integration.

Beyond 'deficit models'.



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With Unexpected Partners: Gaza & Ghana





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Refugee History in the Present: Gaza





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IUG as a multilingual campus

- اللغة العربية
- English
- עברית
- Braille
- Arabic sign language
- Arts





Beauty; Proximity & Justice

People seem to wish there to be beauty even when their own self-interest is not served by it; or perhaps more accurately, people seem to intuit that their own self-interest is served by distant peoples' having the benefit of beauty.

(Scarry 2001)





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GRAMNet

Glasgow Refugee Asylum and Migration Network





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Singing Good-Bye to Red Road





Working with UNESCO Designations

- New Lanark
- Cape Coast
- Great Zimbabwe
- Argentina – Cultural Tourism
- Ironbridge Institute
- University of South Australia – Transnational Diasporas
- City of Music





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- Exchanges, seminars, films, lectures
- SOLAS & Refugee Festival
- Research programmes
- PhD studentships
- Noyam African Dance
- Artists in Residence
- 2 important principles



The Dominant Scripts

“The script is of therapeutic,
technocratic, consumer militarism.

[Of Rights and Subjects, Sovereignty
and Citizenship]

And that script has failed.

It cannot make us safe
And it cannot make us happy.”
(Brueggemann)





The offer of a Counter-story

People don't change much through doctrine or argument or sheer cognitive appeal.

People don't change much because of moral appeal – or at least not these days.

Offer of other models or old stories half forgotten, echoes from other peoples and places, tracings. (Brueggemann)

Invitation to a counter-story





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‘In the language of birds
words just sound.’

“Alive and bodily, unique
and unrepeatable,
overcoming with her simple
sonorous truth the
treacherous din of the
realm, a woman sings.”

(Cavarero chp. 1)



Devising; Improvising; languaging





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English Last

Intentional Multilingualism

20 languages

Calabash as Babel.
(Post) decolonial.

Decreating in order for re-
creation to emerge.







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