

# Social Theory Centre Masterclass

## The Spirit of Revolution: Beyond the Dead Ends of Man

with Drucilla Cornell & Stephen Seely

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Warwick Social Theory Centre hosts a three day masterclass with renown feminist philosopher Drucilla Cornell and her co-author Stephen Seely. It will explore themes from their new book *The Spirit of Revolution: Beyond the Dead Ends of Man*.

The book seeks to reclaim revolutionary politics and to embrace human agency for contemporary feminist and queer theory—in which both revolution and humanism have been effectively disavowed. Whilst holding onto the feminist critiques of the supposed sovereignty and universality of Man, they contend that we must nonetheless embrace human agency and the struggle against colonialism and capitalism. The book proceeds through a series of 'creolised readings', thinking Michel Foucault with Ali Shariati, Jacques Lacan with Franz Fanon, and Baruch Spinoza with Sylvia Wynter. Through this they demonstrate what is at stake in the ongoing debate between humanism and posthumanism, putting this in the context of contemporary global crises and possibilities of revolution.

In their defence of political spirituality Cornell and Seely push for a new trajectory in response to the gross inequalities of today, one that offers us a very different view of revolution and its present day potential.

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