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#### **A(n im)possible encounter. Ernesto De Martino and Bruce Kapferer**

##### **Abstract**

De Martino and Kapferer are evidently two anthropologists who stand far apart from each other in terms of provenance, generation, and philosophical background. Yet, carefully reading their works on ritual, one can discern profound thematic, interpretive, and theoretical convergences. The article discusses their respective outstanding elaborations on ritual, their ethnographic observations, and the conceptual inspirations they might have in common and highlights the correspondence between several aspects of their thought. The anti-rationalist approach, the argument against radical phenomenology, the reflection on the concepts of experience and performance are all examples of possible points of overlap between their views. Still, the most patent and fascinating convergence the author pinpoints is between Kapferer's idea of "virtuality" and De Martino's "dehistoricification", both conceived of, *mutatis mutandis*, as cultural devices to act on time's flow and effect a relativization of reality.

**Keywords:** Ernesto De Martino, Bruce Kapferer, destorification, virtuality, ritual

### **Indigenous self-government in the Northwest Territories in Canada: Political Negotiations between Native communities, government, and multinational diamond mining companies**

Linda Armano

##### **Abstract**

For many decades, the Northwest Territories were simply regarded by the Canadian government as barren land. Only with the discovery of mineral deposits that could be mined for gold and, after 1990, for the extraction of diamonds, did the government and the multinational mining corporations create agreements with the Indigenous communities for the use of these lands. This research aims to understand the negotiation process that the Dene and Tłı̨chǫ Indigenous communities have established with the government and the mining industries. Through a review of the regulations of the Indian reserves in the Northwest Territories, this study analyses specific agreements, called Impact and Benefit Agreements, between the mining corporations and the Native groups.

**Keywords:** Northwest Territories, diamond mines, Dene, Tłı̨chǫ, Treaties 8 and 11, Impact and Benefit Agreements

### **Antropologia e Biblioterapia**

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#### **Anthropology and Bibliotherapy**

##### **Abstract**

Between "therapy", seen in a medical sense, and "cure", understood in a humanistic sense, this essay reflects on Bibliotherapy, the use of books and, above all, how they are read, communicated/co-participated in a curative sense. The theme has been known since 1916 when Samuel Crothers, in his essay "A Literary Clinic", introduced the concept of Bibliotherapy. Reading can become a way of approaching the problem of illness, a way of caring for the sick person. Reading always involves a reflexive dialogue - with the author of the writing (book), with the narrated characters, with oneself, with one's surroundings, with others who inhabit and determine it. A reflexive way of offering ourselves to the

care of others; of taking care of ourselves and letting others take care of us. The bibliotherapeutic dimension, then, can only be relational, cultural.

It is precisely on this narrative-relational aspect, for example, that Narrative Medicine has focused. Narrative-medical practice could help doctors and nurses, social workers and therapists bring therapy and care together in a more effective approach that fosters the development of the capacity for attention, reflection, representation and affiliation among patients, families and medical and paramedical staff.

**Keywords:** cultural anthropology, bibliotherapy, narrative medicine, medical anthropology, care and therapy

## **Appunti di ricerca, volti al fondamento di una possibile definizione giuridica della nozione di *mercato***

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**Research notes, aimed at the basis of foundation of a possible legal definition of the *market's* notion**

### **Abstract**

In the course of this essay, we intend to attempt to conduct a schematic examination around the concept of the *market*, in the light, above all, of its significance as a fundamental element of inspiration for the European Treaties.

The reflections that will follow on the subject, far from having the intention of exhausting the considerable complexity that substantiates the figure of the market, will set themselves the more modest purpose of being able to contribute to a simple *explicatio terminorum*, in the form of a limited - but nevertheless necessary - logical passage, intended for the exclusive purposes of what may be further conducted, on a juridical level, in relation or in connection with this particular institute, also in the light of the relationship between *law* and *economy*.

**Keywords:** juridical definitions in a *descriptive* and *constructive* sense, relationship between *law* and *economy*, juridical conception of the *market*

## **Antropologia laboratoriale del *gambling***

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**On *gambling* laboratorial anthropology**

### **Abstract**

This article defines the reference frame of an applied ethno-anthropological research specifically focused on the issues of behavioral addictions and gambling. Through a review of the reference literature and taking a cue from a critical-retrospective reading of the authors' participation in a prevention project against pathological gambling in the Palermo context, some axioms are defined for a laboratory research-intervention hypothesis from a pedagogical and anthropological view.

**Keywords:** applied anthropology, gambling studies, research-intervention, adult education, cultural transformation

## **Semi di memoria e gerarchie di purezza**

### **L'esperienza di Terre Altre nel recupero delle sementi antiche**

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**Seeds of memory and hierarchies of purity. The experience of Terre Altre on heirloom seeds recovery**

### **Abstract**

This article aims to analyse the practices of heirloom seeds recovery and cultivation by the cooperative Terre Altre through the framework of the anthropology of agriculture. These activities are intertwined with the protection of agricultural biodiversity, which constitutes an important biosocial archive for the community. The conservation of this heritage takes place *in situ*, without uprooting it from its local context, as happens in the seed banks. The case of Terre Altre represents a form of resistance to agrarian commodification promoted by GMO agriculture; moreover, it has to be distinguished from the hierarchies of purity typical of organic food. Despite its precarious position in the territory of the Fiemme Valley, this cooperative has been able to combine the recovery of common knowledge and heritage with the opening to Alpine tourism. It proposes an alternative model of agriculture based on reciprocity, redistribution, and home-gardening.

**Keywords:** heirloom seeds, biodiversity, agricultural anthropology, home-gardening, cultural memory