



(Public Lecture follows AGM)

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Holme Building – Map Ref 14D (near Parramatta Rd Footbridge)

RSVP:

admin@tasa.org.au by Monday 22 September

Location:

The University of Sydney, Holme and Sutherland Room, The Holme Building (A09)

Time:

3.30-5.00pm

Date:

Tuesday 30 September 2008

All TASA Members are invited to attend the AGM:

TASA Annual General Meeting

The Australian Sociological Association Annual Public Lecture

Hosted by the University of Sydney

A free public lecture open to all interested members of the public

“Humanitarianism: the power of the gift”
Presented by Professor Michael Humphrey



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Time: 5.30-7.00pm (Refreshments after lecture)

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The Lecture: In reaction to the Burmese government's resistance to allow humanitarian aid and agencies to provide relief to the mass victims of cyclone Nargis PM Kevin Rudd declared we should 'bash the doors down diplomatically' to persuade the Burmese regime to let us fulfill our humanitarian obligations towards innocent Burmese victims. The PM expressed a widespread revulsion at the Burmese government's rejection of humanitarian help, the rejection of a life preserving gift.

In this lecture Michael Humphrey explores the limits of the contemporary global politics of victims and therapeutic intervention and looks at the relationship between events of suffering, victims and political legitimacy.

The Speaker: Michael Humphrey is Chair of the Department of Sociology and Social Policy at the University of Sydney. He has published widely on the themes of the Islam in the West, the anthropology of globalisation, political violence and terrorism, human rights and reconciliation.



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