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Curriculum vitae

Born 1963-11-06

1. Employment

1997 – 2005: Senior researcher, Institute for Social Research, Oslo

2006–2009: Associate professor, Dept. of Archaeology, Conservation and History, University of Oslo

2009: Professor, Dept. of Archaeology, Conservation and History, University of Oslo. Head of research 2009-2012.

2013, spring: Wigeland visiting professor, University of Chicago

2013–14: Visiting scholar, Max Planck-Institut für Wissenschaftsgeschichte, Berlin

2. Education

Cand. Mag. (BA) University of Oslo. Nordic languages and literature, English, History. 1988;

Cand. Philol. (MA) University of Oslo. History. 1991; Ph.D. University of Oslo. History. Thesis: *Fighting Comrades: a Study of Violence in two Norwegian Regions before the Age Absolutism*. 1998

3. Fellowships and honours

1993 -1997: Doctoral fellowship, Faculty of Humanities, UiO/Telemark University College Spring

2009: Visiting scholar, Faculty of History, University of Cambridge. Life member, Clare Hall College.

2003 – 2008: Director for the Norwegian Research Council's Programme for research on culture. 2011: Member of the National council for ethics in the social and human sciences.

2012: The Norwegian University Press' Award for best academic book 2012, for the forthcoming *What is History*.

4. Previous research projects

2001–2004: The History of Violence, NFR project number 144411 (project leader)

2006–2011: *Power mise-en-scène*: Opera, Aesthetics and Politics in the 18th century, NFR project number 171826. Partnership, one full year as active researcher



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5. Popularization:

1994–2009: Leader of a weekly programme on classical music and music history, Norwegian Broadcasting Company P2

2001 – : Music critic and regular columnist, Norwegian newspapers: Dagbladet, Morgenbladet, Bergens Tidende

2009 – : Leader of *What is it about the past?* A series of public lectures and debates about the past and history, funded by the Faculty of Humanities, University of Oslo, at The House of Literature, Oslo.

6. Selected publications

Books:

- 1991 *Thinking in the Ting: Crime and the Courts in Rendalen, 1765 -97* (Tingets tenkemåter: Kriminalitet og rettssaker i Rendalen, 1763 -97) (Oslo: The Court Book Project, 1991)
- 1998 *The Expectations of the Murderers: Essays on the History of Crime* (Mordernes forventninger: Kriminalitetshistoriske essay) (Oslo: Norwegian University Press, 1998).
- 1999 *The fall of the Violent Society. Disciplining Norway in the Seventeenth Century* (Voldssamfunnets undergang: Om disiplineringen av Norge på 1600-tallet) (Oslo: Norwegian University Press, 1999)
- 1999 *Norwegian History, I: 750 -1537 and II, 1537 -1814*, with Ole Georg Moseng, Erik Opsahl, and Gunnar Pettersen. (Norsk historie I: 750 -1537 og II: 1537 -1814)
- 2004 *Some Traces* (Noen spor), with Willy Pedersen and Finn Skårderud. (Oslo: Norwegian University Press, 2004)
- 2005 *The Final Word: The Supreme Court in Norwegian History, 1905 -1965* (Siste ord: Høyesterett i norsk historie 1905 -1965) (Oslo: Cappelen, 2005)
- 2005 *Listen! (Hør!)* (Oslo: Morgenbladet, 2005)
- 2008 *The Human Sciences: an Introduction*, with Helge Jordheim, Anne Birgitte Rønning, and Mathilde Skoie (Humaniora: en innføring) (Oslo: Norwegian University Press, 2008)
- 2008 *Cultural Analysis: A Textual History*, with Anne Eriksen, Anders Johansen, and Siv Ellen Kraft (Kulturanalyse: en teksthistorie) (Oslo: Pax, 2008)
- 2014 (Forthcoming) *What is history* (Hva er historie) (Oslo: Norwegian University Press)

Articles and book chapters:

- 1994 The Soothing Gaze of Power: Historical Theories of Civilizing and Discipline (Maktens beroligende blikk: Historiske teorier om sivilisering og disiplinering), in *Scandia*, 1/1994
- 1999 Foucault as a Theorist of Power (Foucault som maktteoretiker), in Fredrik Engelstad (ed.): *On Power: Theory and Criticism* (Om makt: teori og kritikk) (Oslo: ad Notam Gyldendal 1999)
- 1999 Truth, More or Less (Mer og mindre sannhet), in *Norwegian Journal of History*, 3/1999
- 2000 The History of Violence in the Nordic Countries: A Case Study, in *Scandinavian Journal of History*, 25 (2000)
- 2000 Strictly liberal: The Supreme Court and Sexual Morals in Inter-War Norway, i *Pathways to the Past. Festschrift for Sølvi Søgner* (Oslo: Novus Publishers, 2000)
- 2004 Staring Violence in the Face: On the Aesthetics and Meaning of Killing in Shakespeare, Callot, and Goya (Volden i hvitøyet: Om drapets estetikk og betydning hos Shakespeare, Callot og Goya), in Eva Österberg and Marie Lindstedt (eds.), *The Meaning of Violence: Power, Memory, Myth* (Våldets mening: Makt, minne, myt) (Lund: Nordic Academic Press, 2004)
- 2004 Thinking in the ting: Violence, discourse and truth in early modern Norway, in Siri Gerrard et al., *Situated Knowledges: Gender, Culture and the Production of Knowledge* (Delft: Eburon Press 2005)
- 2006 The Dream of Something More (Drømmen om noe mer), postscript in Henrik Ibsen, *When We Dead Awaken* (Oslo: Gyldendal, 2005). Translated into English, French, German, Spanish, Italian, Russian, and Chinese (Oslo: Gyldendal/Ministry of Foreign Affairs, 2006)
- 2006 Style and Place: Knut Mykland as Historical Author (Stil og sted: Knut Mykland som historieforfatter), in *Norwegian Journal of History*, 4/2006
- 2007 Just past: on historical and legal history, in Kenneth Johansson og Marie Lindstedt Cronberg (eds.), *Friendship Across Borders: Festschrift for Eva Österberg* (Lund, 2007)
- 2009 Discipline and Masquerade: Opera as Government in the 18th Century (Disiplin og maskerade: Opera som regjering på 1700-tallet), in *Norwegian Journal of Anthropology* 4/2009
- 2009 The Emperor and the Aunts, in Anne Eriksen and Jon Vidar Sigurdsson (eds.), *Negotiating Pasts in the Nordic Countries: Interdisciplinary studies in history and memory* (Lund: Nordic Academic Press, 2009)
- 2009 Orpheus and the Shadows: Antiquity on the Operatic Stage (Orfeus og skyggene: antikken på operascenen), in Mathilde Skoie and Gjert Vestrheim (eds.), *Antiquity in Posterity (Antikken i ettertiden*, Oslo: Norwegian University Press, 2009)
- 2010 "The Way it Actually was" ("Hvordan det egentlig var"), in *New Norwegian Journal* 1/2010
- 2011 Introductory essay in Hermann Braun, *World (Verden)*, with Helge Jordheim (Oslo: Unipub 2011)
- 2012 Romans in Romantic Opera, in Mathilde Skoie and Tim Saunders (eds.), *Romans and Romantics* (Oxford University Press)
- 2013 Despots, Triangles, and Bass Drums: Orientalism on the operatic stage in Gustav III's Stockholm, *Opera Quarterly* 1/2013 (Oxford University Press)
- 2013 The enchantment of distance (Avstandens fortynnelse). *Scandia* 2/2013

- 2013 (Forthcoming) Melodic power. Opera as an art of government under Gustavus III (Den melodiske makten. Opera som regjeringskunst under Gustav III). Nils R. Langeland and Dag Michalsen (eds.), *The Constitution and Political Competence (Grunnloven og politisk kompetanse)*, Oslo: Universitetsforlaget
- 2014 (Forthcoming) . Absolutist opera, the politics of passion, and public debates in Gustavian Sweden. In Mona Ringvej, Ellen Krefting and Aina Nøding (eds.), *Periodical transfers: The Journals of the 18th century as agents of change*. Leyden: Brill
- 2014 (Forthcoming) The transformations of honour in the Supreme Court. With Nils R. Langeland. In Gunnar Bergby (ed.), Anthology on the role of the Supreme Court in Norwegian History since 1814. Oslo: Universitetsforlaget
- 2014 (Forthcoming) Dwellers of the waves. Sea monsters, classical history, and religion in Olaus Magnus' *Carta Marina. Arena Romanistica*
- 2014 (Forthcoming) Breaking the Waves. The emergence of sea monsters in Olaus Magnus' *Carta Marina*. In Helge Jordheim and Erling Sandmo (eds.), *Conceptualizing the World*. Oxford: Berghahn
- 2015 (Forthcoming) The history of contemporaneity. In Arild Engelsen Rud and Lars Tore Flåten (eds.), *Why History? Essays in Honour of Pamela Price*.