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## CFP: The Cascadia Seminar - Ethnographic Adventures in Medical Anthropology (Seattle, March 5-6, 2011)

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### **The Cascadia Seminar:**

#### **[Ethnographic Adventures in Medical Anthropology](#)**

**March 4th-6th, 2011  
at the University of Washington  
Seattle, Washington, USA**

The Cascadia Seminar is an experiment in creating a new kind of intellectual space for medical anthropology. The Cascadia Seminar will be a small, intimate, high-interest, low-cost weekend conference organized collaboratively by medical anthropologists on faculty at a number of different universities and colleges in the US Pacific Northwest and British Columbia (the Cascadia region). A small conference venue has been reserved at the University of Washington, to host what we hope will be the first of many such events, rotating among our various institutions.?? Medical anthropologists (from everywhere) are invited to submit abstracts. Please send your abstract (350 words maximum) by **November 5th**, as an electronic attachment to [cascadiaseminar@gmail.com](mailto:cascadiaseminar@gmail.com) Abstracts will be reviewed by a committee of medical anthropologists on faculty at our various institutions, all of whom also plan to attend. The committee will select seven abstracts, seeking papers that promise to be ethnographically rich and intellectually exciting. Decisions will be announced by December 20th.

The Cascadia Seminar will begin the evening of Friday March 4th with a keynote address by [Jeannette Pols](#) (University of Amsterdam). Four papers will be presented on Saturday March 5th, and three on Sunday March 6th, with no concurrent sessions. Each paper presenter will have

forty-five minutes to present a substantial, well worked-out paper, with ample time for lively discussion. All participants will attend all papers, and optional no-host meals together will offer additional opportunities for conversation. The UW Anthropology department will provide coffee & snacks etc.

The conference will be **free of charge**, though preregistration will be required in order to keep numbers manageable. Some people may want to stay with family or friends in the Seattle area; a block of rooms will also be available at a reduced rate at a nearby hotel.

We look forward to a stimulating & fun weekend!?

#### **Review Committee:**

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