

The Graduate Center for Literary Research presents

A lecture by Susan Buck-Morss

Tuesday, January 19 at the IHC, McCune Room, 4-6 pm

***Year One: Rethinking
the Origins of the Present***

Thinking the origins of three monotheisms within one temporal arc makes visible a changed structure of history that not only critiques Western-centrism but offers an alternative, the philosophical implications of which escape the cul-de-sac of the post-periods (post-modernism, post-colonialism, post-secularism).

Susan Buck-Morss, Distinguished Professor of Political Philosophy at the CUNY Graduate Center and Professor Emerita in the Government Department of Cornell University will be visiting the UCSB campus as the GCLR Distinguished Guest Professor for 2016, January 18-22, 2016.



Professor Buck-Morss's many books include such influential titles as *The Origin of Negative Dialectics: Theodor W. Adorno, Walter Benjamin, and the Frankfurt Institute* (1977), *The Dialectics of Seeing: Walter Benjamin and the Arcades Project* (1989), *Dreamworld and Catastrophe. The Passing of Mass Utopia in East and West* (2002), *Thinking Past Terror: Islamism and Critical Theory on the Left* (2003), and *Hegel, Haiti, and Universal History* (2009).