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Ron Eyerman: a retrospective

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In December 2018, Ron Eyerman retired as Professor of Sociology at Yale. Ron played a pivotal role in the creation of Yale cultural sociology, spending 15 years as a co-director of the Yale Center for Cultural Sociology (CCS), chairing innumerable Friday CCS workshops, teaching yearly seminars, and directing dozens of Masters and Ph.D. Committees.

On April 27, 2018, at its annual Spring Conference, CCS organized a day-long Ron Eyerman Retrospective Conference. The presentations were "Ron Eyerman as Engaged Intellectual" by Jeffrey C. Alexander (Yale University), "From Hegelian Marxism to Cultural Sociology: Ron Eyerman's Track Record on Social Theorizing" by Nicolas Demertzis (National and Kapodistrian University of Athens), "Knowledge in Movement" by Donatella Della Porta (Scuola Normale Superiore, Florence), "The Artful Sociologist: Ron Eyerman and the Move Beyond Production" by Lisa McCormick (University of Edinburgh), "Cultural Trauma: Ron Eyerman and the Founding of a New Research Agenda" by Eric Taylor Woods (University of East London), and "A Conversation with Ron Eyerman" by Kai Erickson (Yale University).

Honoring Ron Eyerman's contributions to cultural sociology, we are pleased to include in the pages that follow the revised contributions of Lisa McCormick and Eric Taylor Woods.

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