Digital Oral History with Steven High



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Beyond the 'Juicy Quotes Syndrome': Digital Oral History and the Politics of Secondary Analysis

April 28 at 12:00pm in Bass Library, L01

This presentation responds directly to the policy and cultural shift towards "data sharing" in the humanities and social sciences. Funding agencies in North America and Europe are now committed to the promotion of a culture of sharing of qualitative interview data. This shifting perspective has proven to be controversial in some disciplines, especially where group authority and identity rest on fieldwork rather than on the secondary reuse or analysis of "other people's data." The presentation will consider the ways in which recorded oral history interviews with survivors of mass violence can be ethically shared, combined, and creatively reused.

This talk is open to the public and entire Yale community. Participants are welcome to bring their lunches.

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Steven High is an interdisciplinary oral and public historian with a strong interest in transnational approaches to working-class studies, forced migration, community-engaged research, oral history methodology and ethics, and living archives. He is a professor of History and founding member of the Centre for Oral History and Digital Storytelling at Concordia University.

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