

The Prosthetic God: Transactive Cognition in the Age of Connectivity

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In *Civilization and its Discontents* (1930), Sigmund Freud argues that people have become prosthetic Gods. We use many and different kinds of extensions to transcend the limits of human existence. Recently, new technologies such as smart phones and social media have intensified and accelerated this process. In this lecture, Professor Groes explores the philosophical questions that technological prosthetics raise. He argues for an emergent transitive cognition that provokes a new imaginary in which the individual point of view makes way for collective, intersubjective perspectives that have radical implications for our world.

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Drinks Reception at 4:30pm
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