

## Modern Arabic Fiction: Narratology and Text Analysis - HT21

Mandatory reading

### Fiction Works

Students of Arabic are allowed to read the novels in Arabic:

- Hanan Al-Shaykh, *The Story of Zahra*, Anchor; 1st Anchor Books pbk. ed edition (December 15, 1996) Novel in English (ab. 215 p.)

حنان الشيخ ، حكاية زهرة، دار الآداب للتوزيع والنشر ، بيروت ، ٢٠٠٩ أو طبعة لاحقة

- Huda Barakat, *The Stone of Laughter*, Interlink Publishing Group, (1995 or later edition).

هدى بركات ، حجر الضحك ، رياض الريس للكتب والنشر ، لندن ، ١٩٩٠ أو طبعة لاحقة

### Narratology

- Fludernik, Monika (2009), *An Introduction to Narratology*, London, Routledge. To read: Chapter 4: The Structure of Narrative, p. 21-39. Chapter 9: Gerard Genette's theory of narrative, p. 98-104. (e-book to read online via SUB)

### Secondary sources and references on gender issues

- Accad, Evelyne. *Sexuality and War: Literary Masks of the Middle East*. New York and London: New York University Press, 1990. (especially Part I and section 3 of Part II). (e-book to read online via SUB)

- Aghacy, Samira (1998), « Huda Barakat's *The Stone of Laughter: Androgyny or Polarization?* » in *Journal of Arabic Literature*, 29: 3/4, Leiden, Brill, p.185-201. (ab. 16 p.)

- Allen, Roger, *The Arabic Novel: A Historical and Critical Introduction*, Syracuse, Syracuse University Press, p.231-244 (about Ḥanān al-Šayḥ/*Hikayat Zahra*). (ab. 13 p.)

- Al-Samman, Hanadi (2008), *Out of the Closet: Representation of Homosexuals and Lesbians in Modern Arabic Literature*, in *Journal of Arabic Literature*, 39 . Leiden, Brill. To read in the article *Homosexuality and War* (p. 293-296). (to read online via SUB)

- Stephan, Rita (2006), « Arab Women Writing Their Sexuality » in *Hawwa*, No. 2-3, Brill, Leiden, p.159-180. (ab. 20 p)
- Adams, Ann Marie (2001), « Writing Self, Writing Nation: Imagined Geographies in the Fiction of Hanan al-Shaykh » in *Tulsa Studies in Women's Literature*, Vol. 20, No. 2, Women Writing Across the World (Autumn, 2001), pp. 201-216 (ab. 15 p).
- Holt, Elizabeth M. (2017) "The story of Zahra and its critics: Feminism and agency at war" in *Arabic Literature for the Classroom* by al-Musawi, Muhsin J. (ed.), New York, Routledge. (ab. 11 p).

Other references (optional)

### **Narratology**

- Barry, Peter (2009), *Beginning Theory: An Introduction to Literary and Cultural Theory*, Manchester, Manchester University Press. To read: Narratology (p.214-233).
- Genette, Gerard (1980, 1983), *Narrative Discourse: An Essay in Method*, Ithaca, Cornell University Press.
- Price, Gerald (2003), *A Dictionary of Narratology*, Nebraska US, University of Nebraska Press.

### **Feminism and gender issues (Middle East and Arabic Literature)**

- Abu-Lughod, Lila (ed.), *Remaking Women: Feminism and Modernity in the Middle East*. Princeton: Princeton University Press (1998), ix, 300 pp. (in SU bibliotek)
- Baron, Beth, *Egypt As a Woman: Nationalists, Gender, and Politics*. Ewing, USA: University of California Press 2005.
- Cooke, Miriam (1987), *War's Other Voices: Women Writers on the Lebanese Civil War*, Cambridge, Cambridge University Press.
- Fayad, Mona (1995), « Reinscribing Identity: Nation and Identity in Arab Women Writing

», in *College Literature*, Vol. 22, No. 1, Third World Women's Inscriptions (Feb., 1995), West Chester, West Chester University, pp.147-160.

- Malti-Douglas, Fedwa (1991), *Woman's Body, Woman's Word: Gender and Discourse in Arabo-Islamic Writing*. Princeton, Princeton University Press.

- Moghissi, Haideh (ed), *Women and Islam. Critical Concepts in sociology*. New York, USA:Routledge, Taylor & Francis Group, 2005.

- Peteet, Julie M., *Gender in Crisis. Women and the Palestinian Resistance Movement*. New York,USA: Columbia University Press, 1991.

- Phoenix,Ann, Wollet, Ann & Lloyd, Eva (ed.), *Motherhood: Meanings, Practices and Ideologies*. Guildford: Sage Publications, 1991.

- Sharoni, Simona (1993), « Middle East Politics Through Feminist Lenses: Toward Theorizing International Relations from Women's Struggles », in *Alternatives: Global, Local, Political*, Vol. 18, No.1, Feminists Write International Relations (Winter 1993), p.5-28. (ca 23 p.).

### **Feminism and gender issues (General)**

- Benstock, Shari, Ferriss, Suzanne and Woods, Susanne (2002), *A Handbook of Literary Feminisms*, Oxford University Press.

- Butler, Judith (2007), *Genustrubbel. Feminism och identitetens subversion*. Göteborg: Bokförlaget Diadolos AB.

- MacDonald, Eileen (1991), *Shoot the Women first*. London: Arrow Books Limited.

-Rooney E. (ed.) (2006), *The Cambridge Companion to Feminism Literary Theory*, Cambridge, Cambridge University Press.