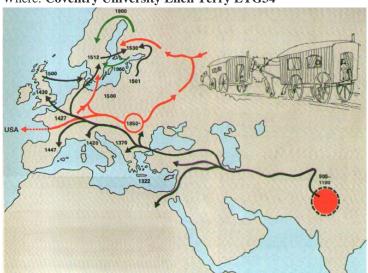
The Roma in Coventry: Digital practices and identity expression

Start: Tue April 28 at 13:00/End: Fri May 1 at 19:15 Where: **Coventry University Ellen Terry ETG34**



In the Romani Week (April 27 - May 1, 2015), **Amalia Sabiescu** of **Coventry University** shares insights from the <u>RICHES</u> <u>European project</u> research: how a **Romani community** is finding ways to preserve and express its unique **identity** at a time of cultural change and how the **arts, culture and technology** can be used as bridges towards **intercultural communication** and dialogue.

With this exciting week of events, that will both challenge perceptions of Gypsy people and entertain, Coventry University seeks so to promote a better awareness and understanding of the lives and culture of the **Romani/Gypsy/Traveller** people.



You're invited to the press launch of the Romani Week and private view of an exhibition of outstanding photographs, taken at the **Romani Family Picnic Day**. Come and join us at 19.00 on Monday 27 April at Coventry University's Alan Berry Atrium Gallery opposite the Cathedral, where there will be interview opportunities.

The Romani Week will be launched by the celebrated film maker **Jasmine Dellal**, who influenced perceptions worldwide with her film **When the road bends: Tales of a Gypsy Caravan**, winning numerous awards.

We are also proud to feature **Ramón Flores**, from the **Council of Europe's Forum of European Roma Young People Programme**. Ramón is making a special visit from Seville to talk about his work with the **European Commission**.

Hardly a day goes by without a negative story appearing in the media concerning the Gypsy and Traveller communities. To put this in context Coventry University welcomes inequalities expert **Professor Margaret Greenfields** to discuss health and social care engagement and ways to improve the situation.

Romani Week offers a rich mix of **dance**, **music**, **talks** and **film screenings**, culminating in a spectacular Gala "**OPRE ROMA**" at CU's Lanchester Gallery on Thursday April 30th, 2015.

The festival schedule is downloadable <u>here</u>. If you have any further details, please contact Marcos Young on 07835 089 811 or email <u>ab4928@coventry.ac.uk</u> for interviews with directors Rosamaria K. Cisneros and Andrew Beck.

Visit the event's <u>facebook page</u> for staying update day by day!