ABSTRACT

This talk offers a critical contribution to the study of post-conflict condition, complexities of rebuilding a city of Banda Aceh in Indonesia in the aftermath of the Indian Ocean earthquakes and the tsunami and thirty years of armed conflict. Following the lives of people through their everyday experiences, it offers insights into the relations of power and structures of violence that are embedded in the peace: layered exiles and displacement; hidden narratives of violence and grief; struggles over gendered expectations of being a good and respectable woman and man; the hierarchical political economy of post-conflict and tsunami reconstruction; and multiple ways of arranging lives and remembrance, cherishing loved ones and forming caring and loving relationships outside the normative notions of nuclear family and home. The talk will include ca. 20 minutes long short film screening “Scraps of Hope: From Combatant to Sufist Healer I-III”

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