## You are cordially invited to the first 2007 *Carolyn Engel Luebeck* Lecture

## **Winfried Menninghaus**

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## Functional Narratives of Art: Negotiating Transcendental and Evolutionary Aesthestics

April 16, 2007 at the Faculty Club

Professor Menninghaus will offer an update of the work he began with his book Das Versprechen der Schönheit (2003), comparing the narratives offered by Kant and Darwin that seek to answer questions of beauty and its purpose. He will compare the aesthetic theory in Kant's Critique of Judgment and Darwin's tenets of aesthetics that govern sexual choice in Descent of Man.

His other published works include *Ekel: Theorie und Geschichte einer starken Empfindung* (2002) and *Lob des Unsinns: Über Kant, Tieck und Blaubart* (1995).

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