



Thought and Action: Anarchism as Militant Community and Way of Life

Saturday, September 15, 2018

10,30-13,00/

15,00-18,30

Ateneo degli Imperfetti,

Via Bottenigo, 209

Marghera-Venezia

A seminary on contemporary anarchism starting from the militant thought and lives of Amedeo Bertolo and Eduardo Colombo.

Organized by: Laboratorio Libertario/ Ateneo degli Imperfetti di Marghera and the Centro studi libertari/Archivio Giuseppe Pinelli di Milano.

Speakers

- **Mimmo Pucciarelli** (Lyon), *Two militant biographies, from political anarchism to existential anarchism*
- **Marianne Enckell** (Lausanne), *I became an adult with them...*
- **Nico Berti**, *The basis of anarchic thought*
- **Tomás Ibáñez** (Barcelona), *Similarities and differences in the thought of Amedeo Bertolo and Eduardo Colombo*

open debate animated by **Heloisa Castellanos** (Paris),

Francesco Codello, Paolo Finzi, Elis Fraccaro, Mário Rui Pinto (Lisboa), **Toni Senta, Claudio Venza...**

(translation from Spanish).

a friendly night out with “ombre and cicchetti” and the music of **EMI(n)CANTO Trio**
reservation required for lunch (5 euro) and dinner (10 euro). Wine included.

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Only a political movement based on the community model – and not the party one – can provide space for the present wealth and potential of anarchism, for the “political” and the “personal,” for anarchy as thought, action, and life, as permanent creative heresy.

Amedeo Bertolo

With days grinding like deaf gears, time has slowly buried faces, actions and places in the past. Biological law, which governs us even with no god and no masters, says that the oldest are dead, while the youngest, in turn, become old. New generations are born, and we, the anarchists, continue to cultivate the old seeds of future revolutions regardless of the terrain, hard or soft, as is our destiny.

Eduardo Colombo

The militant lives of Amedeo Bertolo (Milan 1941-2016) and Eduardo Colombo (Buenos Aires 1929-Paris 2018) represent an anarchism that sought to combine thought and action in a way that would transcend the traditional political realm without falling into an individualistic life style. Their ideas and existential experiences necessarily blended with the many others who contributed to anarchism's vast renewal project in recent decades. Over time, that project has included both social action organizations and editorial or cultural project such as “A Rivista Anarchica,” “Volontà, l’Atelier de Création Libertaire,” “Rèfractions,” elèuthera, the CIRA of Lausanne and, obviously, the Centro studi libertari di Milano and l’Ateneo degli imperfetti di Marghera...

A collective endeavor that has addressed a slew of important themes such as the inseparability of thought and action, the construction of an anarchic imagery, the multiple ways of social change, heterodoxy as method and, last but not least, ways for transmitting to different generations the inalienable core of anarchism: *logos* (rational discourse), *pathos* (emotions), *ethos* (values) and *praxis* (action).

These will be the topics covered in the seminary, because such collective thought never stops: the central tenets of anarchism must be continuously reconsidered with passion and disenchantment if it is to be an effective tool for changing the world, and, at the same time, an existential choice embodying the values of the here and now.

