Continuities, conflicts and ruptures: Confronting inequality in gender relations, corporal and emotional practices among the Basque youth

Margaret Bullen, Carmen Diez, Mari Luz Esteban, and Jone Miren Hernández, University of the Basque Country

In the presentation we will discuss the preliminary conclusions of our project on gender relations between young Basque women and men with regard to inequality. We have researched various contexts of young people’s realities: study and working environments; friendships and emotional relationships; family and experiences of motherhood/fatherhood; ritual practice and leisure. Emphasis is placed on the study of corporal and emotional practices as privileged areas of analysis through which the social structure, collective and individual action are articulated.

In our effort to detect the pulse of change in young Basques’ gendered experiences, we ask what changes and what stays the same, what areas of young people’s lives produce conflict and what solutions and strategies are employed to break with perceived inequalities.

The Anthropology of Children and Youth Network (based at VU University, Amsterdam) brings together academics and practitioners engaged in research and work with children. Through monthly seminars, the Network promotes child-oriented theory, methodology, and research ethics. Besides, it serves as a platform for (interdisciplinary) academic research and it enhances dialogue with practitioners through joint research projects, publications and conferences.

Convenor / Dr Sandra J.T.M. Evers, Department of Social and Cultural Anthropology, VU University Amsterdam.

Information & Registration / Sandra Evers at childrenseminar@hotmail.com

WWW.ANTHROPOLOGYOFCHILDREN.NET