



The Herczeg Institute on Aging

מכון הרצג לחקר ההזדקנות והזיקנה

**WE ARE HAPPY TO INVITE YOU TO
THE *HERCZEG INSTITUTE'S SEMINAR*:**

Care and ageing from the lens of Literary Gerontology

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Dr. Stončikaitė will introduce her main field of research - literary and cultural gerontology - to study the dynamics of ageing and old age. She will briefly explain the evolution of this discipline in gerontological research and point to similar fields of study within the humanities and age studies.

Then she will present a specific case study by applying the framework of literary gerontology. She will address the complexities of carework, dementia and the fourth age as represented in contemporary American writer, Erica Jong's, fictional work *Fear of Dying* (2015). Jong's novel also tackles the problem of conveying the meaning of personhood in old age when faced with gradual mental decline, which is especially difficult to capture and represent, and falls into the so-called 'black hole' in age studies.

The lecture will be held in English

The seminar will take place on Monday, March 6th, 2023, at 15:00 via zoom:

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