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"A Fanonian Meditation on Language and Love: Moving Towards the Abolition of the Humanities"

APLNG Roundtable Talk

<u>Abstract</u>

Frantz Fanon's combative decoloniality is based on a profound appreciation of the role of language and love in the constitution of the human. This presentation explores the idea that Fanon's approach takes love beyond the scope of romanticism, just like his discussion of language takes language beyond the province of the humanities.

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