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A Literary Translation Seminar Talk
By Johannes Göransson

“transfer fat: translating aase berg”

In this talk, I will discuss how translating Swedish poet Aase Berg caused me to question the assumptions about translation I'd absorbed as a student in American academia - the model of the idealized original reader, the idea of translation as a replication of an original message - and prompted me to begin to think of both poetry and translation in terms of process, circulation and deformation. I now think of poetry as forming a zone of affect I like to call - after a Berg poem - a "deformation zone."

Professor Göransson’s talk is open to the IU community and the general public.

Thursday, December 10, 4pm-6pm
Slocum Room, Lilly Library
Coffee, tea, and cookies will be served

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