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About SCE

The Sochery For Critical Exchange is North America's oldest scholarly organization devoted to theory. Our various interdisciplinary projects, conferences, and symposia serve to advance the role of theory in academic and intellectual arenas. Our projects encompass a broad spectrum of disciplines, most prominently literary studies, legal studies and practices, economics, composition, and pedagogy.

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The 2011 Institute

The Society for Critical Exchange (SCE), in collaboration with the University of Houston-Victoria School of Arts and Sciences, is pleased to announce the topic of the second annual SCE Winter Theory Institute: Neoliberalism's Cultural Work.

The Institute will take place from Thursday, February 10 to Sunday, February 13, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. in the new University of Houston-Victoria Publishing Arts Center. The Publishing Arts Center is located on the third floor of the Center building. Additional details regarding the Society for Critical Exchange or the upcoming Winter Theory Institute can be found on the Society for Critical Exchange's website: http:// societyforcriticalexchange.org.

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