How can the media play a constructive role in promoting the creation of a multicultural nation? This talk draws on Ang’s extensive publications on cultural studies, audience reception and multiculturalism, as well as her practical experience as a researcher working with Australia’s Special Broadcasting Service (SBS) to develop a pedagogy based on an understanding of multiculturalism that extends beyond identity politics and political correctness. In Australia and elsewhere, SBS broadcasting practice suggests that relations among nations, media, and multiculturalism have to be engaged as sites of contestation at the levels of the social, the educational, and the cultural.

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A light lunch will be provided.