

Landscape, Space, Place, Research Group

CALL FOR PAPERS

'There and back again': An Interdisciplinary Postgraduate Workshop on Travel

Monday 22nd June 2015

University of Nottingham

Keynote Speaker: Professor Andrew Thacker (Nottingham Trent University)

To travel is unavoidable, whether as part of the everyday or the exceptional. It can be political or leisurely, routine or unexpected, real or imaginary. Travel can create different spatial, bodily, and object identities, as (un)familiar places and landscapes are negotiated, and borders and boundaries are crossed and re-crossed. It can have multiple implications and legacies and can be represented and documented in diverse, sometimes surprising, ways.

This workshop aims to emphasise and explore the richness of travel in its multivalent forms, from antiquity to modernity and beyond. We will consider travel in relation to social, political, cultural, and environmental forces, as we ask how it is interpreted across the arts, humanities, and social sciences.

Papers are invited on – but are by no means limited to – the following themes:

- The narration and representation of travel
- Journeying in/through the landscape
- Spatial identity and place
- Travel and temporality
- Modes and methods of transport
- Home, abroad, belonging, displacement
- Departures and arrivals
- Origins, destinations, and the in-between
- Crossing borders and boundaries
- The implications and legacies of travel

This is a one-day, interdisciplinary workshop that seeks to offer postgraduate students an opportunity to present related work at any stage of their research within a friendly, supportive and stimulating environment. It is the ninth annual postgraduate workshop to be run by the <u>Landscape</u>, <u>Space</u>, <u>Place Research Group</u> and hosted by the Schools of English and Geography at the University of Nottingham.

We welcome abstracts of 250-300 words for 20 minute papers from all current postgraduate students. Please send, along with a short biography, to lsp.pgworkshop@nottingham.ac.uk by Friday 8th May 2015.

Organising Committee: Alexander Harby, Alice Insley, Hollie Johnson, Mark Lambert, Xiaofan Xu & Emma Zimmerman.

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