Conference Programme

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Media Interactions and Environments

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8 - 10 January 2020
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Welcome.

We’re delighted to be hosting the annual MeCCSA Conference at the University of Brighton from 8th - 10th January 2020.

Interactions with media are increasingly woven into the textures and cultural politics of our everyday lives. When the spaces of our homes, shops, schools, offices and cities are so intensively mediatised, media become our environment, brought to life through our mundane, personal, professional, creative, commercial and political interactions. What might be the wider implications of these media and cultural experiences and encounters? Whose voices and perspectives are included or excluded, and how are power and agency reconfigured, realigned and reproduced in this complex media landscape? The theme Media Interactions and Environments is designed to address this critical moment in contemporary media culture, and appeal to a broad range of media, communication and cultural studies topics, interests and approaches.

The conference is an annual presentation for the best work across the full range of MeCCSA interests, these themes will be addressed in a range of plenaries, roundtables, panels, screenings and exhibitions during the conference.

We hope you enjoy the conference and take some time to take in our beautiful and vibrant city

The MeCCSA Brighton Conference Team

University of Brighton City Campus.

The University of Brighton is steeped in history and since its humble beginnings 150 years ago, in the kitchens of the Royal Pavilion, a great many institutions have come together to make it one of today’s leading modern universities. Our city campus is the home to students studying media, art and humanities nestled in the heart of vibrant and bustling Brighton centre. We hope that whilst attending this conference, delegates get a chance to sample Brighton life and enjoy the unique atmosphere of the city.
Useful information.

Wi-Fi
If your institution is a member of Eduroam you will be able to use the same service across our buildings. Alternatively, we are served by The Cloud; to log on select WiFi_Guest from the networks which will direct you to enter your cloud log in details or to create a cloud account.

Information Points
There will be a registration desk at Grand Parade Campus outside the Sallis Benney Theatre and one at Edward Street building on the ground floor. These information points will be staffed throughout the conference so don’t hesitate to ask one of the event staff any queries.

Event Staff
If you have any queries whilst you are with us, please feel free to speak to one of the Southcoast event team who will be located at registration desks and at key points on campus. The team are identifiable by their black polo shirts with Event Staff on the back. We’re here to help you throughout the conference so don’t hesitate to ask us questions at any time.

Quiet Room
A quiet room is available at Edward Street in room 304.

Breastfeeding Room
There is a room available for breastfeeding at Edward Street in room 305.

Travelling around Brighton
Brighton is an easy city to navigate and the central location of the campus means that the city is within easy reach. From the Grand Parade Campus, the city centre is just across the Old Steine; head out of the main campus and head straight across the road towards the Royal Pavilion, the main town centre is located here. The train station is a short 5 minute taxi ride away (0.6 miles) from Grand Parade building.

Taxi
Streamline Cabs 01273 202020 or 01273 747474. Brighton is also served by Uber.

Bikes
Fancy a brisk cycle across the seafront? We have BTN Bikeshare bicycles which you can hire from right outside our buildings. To find out about hiring these bikes, please visit www.btnbikeshare.com.

Bus information
Grand Parade campus is just 0.2 miles from Old Steine, one of the main bus stops in Brighton. From here you can get buses to all areas of the city. Day-tickets for 1, 2, or 3 days can be bought using the B&H Buses app. The buses also operate with a contactless card tap-on, tap-off system for the occasional trip.

First Aid
In the case of a minor first aid issue, please contact one of the Southcoast Event team. In case of an immediate emergency, please call (9)999 from an internal phone or dial 2222 from an internal phone found in all of our classrooms to notify our site team.

Presenter Information
If you are presenting at the conference, please take time to visit out Tech Hub at one of our conference information points where we can upload your presentations ahead of your session. Alternatively, we would ask that presenters provide a USB stick with their presentation and see one of the event staff before their session.

Please be advised that presenters are required to report to their session rooms 10 minutes before the panel session start time.
**Campus Maps.**

The conference is hosted between Grand Parade building and Edward Street building which is just 0.2 miles from one another. Let the sea air invigorate you whilst moving between sessions.

The session rooms will be clearly signposted and appear on the below maps.
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Keynote Speakers.

Dr Deborah Gabriel

Dr Gabriel is a senior academic, journalist, media and equality specialist whose work is largely focused on equity and social justice in higher education and the wider society. She is the founder and director of Black British Academics®, a network of scholar activists committed to tackling racial inequality in higher education and the wider society, leading research on race and gender inequality and innovation in education practice through the Ivory Tower project and 3D Pedagogy Framework™. Her research is concerned with the dynamics of race, ethnicity, culture and pedagogy in higher education and with the politics of racialised identity, counterhegemonic practice, race and representation in media education, practice and popular culture. Dr Gabriel is presently based in the Faculty of Media and Communication at Bournemouth University and is an award-winning specialist in social justice pedagogy and critical race pedagogy, receiving both student and community awards in academic excellence and teaching.

Professor Jussi Parikka

Jussi Parikka is a Professor in Technological Culture & Aesthetics at the Winchester School of Art and Visiting Researcher at FAMU at the Academy of Performing Arts, Prague. At FAMU, he is the project leader for Operational Images (2019-2023, funded by the Czech Science Foundation). His main areas of interest are materiality of media culture, archaeologies of science, technology and art and questions of cultural theory and environmental humanities. He is also the author of various books on media, archaeology, digital culture and technical media, including the award winning Insect Media: An Archaeology of Animals and Technology and What is Media Archaeology (2012) as well as A Geology of Media (2015). He is currently finishing a co-authored book on labs in media and humanities (with Darren Wershler and Lori Emerson) and co-editing the book Photography off the Scale (with Tomas Dvorak).

Professor Sarah Kember

Professor Trine Syvertsen

Trine Syvertsen is a Professor in the Department of Media & Communication at the University of Oslo. Her work is focused on media history, media policy, television and digital media. Trine is currently Chairwoman of the Board at Oslo Metropolitan University and has acted as Dean (2007-14) and Dean of Research (2002-6) in the Faculty of Humanities. She has published extensively on public service broadcasting and has been involved in the collaborative project Media Companies and the Public Interest.

AGM Speaker

Professor Matt O’Leary

Matt O’Leary is Professor of Education and director of the education research centre CSPACE at Birmingham City University. His main research interests focus on the impact of education policy on teaching and learning. Matt is well known internationally for his extensive body of work on the use of classroom observation in understanding and improving teaching and learning. His books include Classroom observation: A guide to the effective observation of teaching and learning (Routledge 2014), Reclaiming lesson observation: supporting excellence in teacher learning (Routledge 2016) and Teaching Excellence in Higher Education: Challenges, Changes and the Teaching Excellence Framework (Emerald 2017). In recent years, his research has explored the topic of ‘teaching excellence’. In February 2019, along with colleagues from Birmingham City University, he completed a large-scale research project into the Teaching Excellence Framework, Understanding, recognising and rewarding teaching quality in higher education: an exploration of the impact & implications of the Teaching Excellence Framework, funded by the University and College Union.
Publishers.

We are delighted to welcome the following publishers to the conference who will be hosting stands at Edward Street in the First Floor Foyer area for the length of the conference so please do take the time to go and speak to them.

**Palgrave Macmillan** publish award-winning research which changes the world across the humanities, social sciences and business for academics, professionals and librarians. We offer authors and readers the very best in academic content whilst also supporting the community with innovative new formats and tools. With offices in London, New York and Shanghai, and sales teams across 50 countries, we have a global reach. As part of Springer Nature, we are proud to uphold an unbroken tradition of over 170 years of academic publishing.

**Polity Press** are an international publisher in the social sciences and humanities and our list features some of the world’s leading thinkers. We combine the publication of original, cutting-edge work of the highest quality with a systematic programme of textbooks and course books for students and scholars in further and higher education.

**Emerald Publishing** are a global publisher linking research and practice, managing a portfolio of nearly 300 journals, more than 2,500 books and over 1,500 teaching cases. Jenny leads Emerald’s Media and Communication Studies division.

**The MIT Press** established in 1962, is one of the largest and most distinguished university presses in the world and a leading publisher of books and journals at the intersection of science, technology, art, social science, and design.

**Rowman & Littlefield** is an independent, interdisciplinary publisher in the Humanities & Social Sciences. We are committed to bringing incisive modern scholarship to a global readership in multiple formats. We firmly believe in the value of publishing cutting-edge research for a scholarly audience.

**The University of Westminster Press (UWP)** is a relatively new digital-first open access publisher of peer reviewed academic books, policy briefs and journals that was launched in 2015 based in the heart of Central London. UWP exists to provide global public access to academic work in multiple formats. In partnership with our authors and editors, we publish in areas that reflect the teaching and research strengths of the University of Westminster in social sciences and humanities, science and technology, media arts and design and other subject areas. UWP builds upon the strengths and traditions of the academic community and alumni of the University of Westminster.

**Combined Academic Publishers** was founded in 1997 and offers distribution, sales and marketing services for both print and digital products to a group of internationally respected American University Presses in Europe, the Middle East, Africa, and Asia Pacific (EMEA/APAC). Based in the UK, CAP provides a fully collaborative service which aims to complement and extend the work of our client Presses.

**Edinburgh University Press** is one of the leading university presses in the UK. Our publications carry the imprimatur of one of Britain’s oldest and most distinguished centres of learning and enjoy the highest academic standards through the scholarly appraisal of our Press Committee. We publish humanities books and journals that seek to promote understanding, stimulate debate and communicate scholarly ideas to the world.
Music, Sound, and the Moving Image is the first international scholarly journal devoted to the study of the interaction between music and sound in moving image media – film, television, music video, advertising, computer games, mixed-media installation, digital art, live cinema, et alia.

Publishing two issues per year, the journal is truly interdisciplinary and invites contributions across a range of critical methodologies.

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Sustainability information.

Sustainability is one of the four core values in the University of Brighton’s Strategic Plan, underpinning everything that we do. Our commitment to sustainability runs throughout all our practices, from the management of the university’s campuses and facilities, through procurement, travel, food, ethical investment, community engagement, research, teaching and learning.

The university’s award-winning sustainability campaign, c-change, engages staff, students and members of the community in driving forward progress towards a fully sustainable university. As well as reducing our impact on the environment, we also aim to empower our graduates to leave the university with the skills and knowledge needed to be change-makers for a sustainable future.

With this in mind the conference aims to be as sustainable as possible. This includes using reusable water bottles and coffee mugs during the conference and using as little paper as possible, for example by providing an online version of the conference programme with all needed information as opposed to a printed programme.

The Real Junk Food Project

We’re also really excited to once again be working with The Real Junk Food Project Brighton who will be joining us on Thursday 9th to serve up some delicious, feel good food.

The Real Junk Food Project Brighton is part of the Real Junk Food Project network, created by Adam Smith. It is a national and international movement of cafes, projects and pop-ups with one core objective: To intercept food waste destined for land fill and use it to feed people who need it, on a ‘pay as you feel’ basis.

From one humble Armley cafe set up in 2013 by founders Adam and Johanna, in five years The Real Junk Food Project has grown into an organic global network and inspired over 120 projects in 7 countries. TRJFP has saved 5000 tonnes of food, the equivalent of 11.9 million meals. Multiple cafes have opened not just across the UK but around the world, continuing to grow.
# Panel Sessions.

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<td><strong>Game of Thrones: much more than a TV series</strong>&lt;br&gt;Professor Martin Barker (Aberystwyth University) <em>Thinking about “worlds”, thinking about the world</em>&lt;br&gt;Professor Feona Attwood (Middlesex University) <em>Game of Thrones – simultaneously empowering and hostile to women…</em>&lt;br&gt;Professor Clarissa Smith (University of Sunderland) <em>“Winter is Coming”: a televisual allegory for current dangers</em></td>
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<td><strong>Young women’s inter-activisms in gendered media environments</strong>&lt;br&gt;Dr Michele Paule (Oxford Brookes University) <em>There are so many things that you could change: The politics of hope and aspiration in girls’ mediated imaginations of leadership</em>&lt;br&gt;Hanna Klien-Thomas (Independent Researcher) <em>#LeaveSheAlone - Feminist activism and visual media practices in the Caribbean</em>&lt;br&gt;Dr Hannah Yelin (Oxford Brookes University) <em>There were absolutely gross and inappropriate and lewd comments, too - I mean, this was the internet</em>: Reading YouTube celebrity memoir to theorise trolling as a feminist issue</td>
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Fergus Heron (University of Brighton) *Photography, Environments and Natures*  
Richard O’Sullivan (Queen’s University, Belfast) *Standing Ground*  
Dr Claudia Kappenberg (University of Brighton) *The embodied self as a mediating entity within a mediated environment*  
Dr Danielle Barrios-O’Neill & Joskaude Pakalkaitė (Falmouth University) *Exploring Next-Generation Touch-Rich Interactions for Consumer Well-being* |
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| **Hybrid Methodologies and Practices**  
Dr Nick Cope (Xi’an Jiaotong-Liverpool University) *Screening and Paper: Sarva Mangalam!*  
Dr Sean Fitzgerald (University of Winchester) *Encouraging discussion of science and technology futures through practice-led fiction, production and research*  
Miguel Gaggiotti (University of Bristol) *Assembly: Practice-as-research screening proposal* |

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Alireza Taherifard (University of Kassel, Germany) *Instagram and the Formation of Socio-Political Space in Iran*  
Dr Noha Atef (Independent Researcher, Egypt) *The Interaction between Citizen Media and the Mainstream Media in a Changing Political Environment*  
Dr Paul Reilly (University of Sheffield) *Peace on Facebook? The (non) contribution of corporate social media to peacebuilding in divided societies*  
Matthew Rogers & Dr Michael Leyshon (University of Exeter) *Designing for Inclusivity - Platforms of Protest and Participation* |
| Edward Street 104 | **Contemporary Radio**  
Dr Abigail Wincott (Falmouth University) *Moving through sound: towards a grammar of spatial audio journalism*  
Dr Andrea Hanáčková (Palacký University, Olomouc, Czech Republic) *The Mathematics of Crime and the Crime of Censorship on the Czech Public Radio*  
Jerry Padfield & Joskaude Pakalkaitė (Falmouth University) *Developing a WebRTC Application to Overcome Mental Health Barriers to Participation in Community Radio*  
Chimwemwe Richard Chavinda (University of Leicester) *Imvani za kumudzi: The Co-Construction of Knowledge of Climate Change Adaptation through Radio Listening Clubs in Malawi* |
| Edward Street 105 | **VR Documentaries and Journalism**  
Dr David Green (University of the West of England, Bristol) *"A very unsociable device in a very sociable household": An empirical study exploring wider audiences for virtual reality nonfiction*  
Dr Kirsten Bartels (Northwestern State University, USA) *Experiencing the Holocaust: the Narratives of Video Games – their influence and impact*  
Dr Julia Scott-Stevenson (University of the West of England, Bristol) *"Virtual Futures: representing and engendering bewilderment in immersive environments“*  
Dr Raphael Schlembach & Nicola Clewer (University of Brighton) *"Forced Empathy“? Immersion and manipulation in Virtual Reality advocacy and journalism* |
| Edward Street 207 | **Mediated City 1**  
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Larissa Hugentobler (University of Zurich, Switzerland) *Mobile Memories: Digital Interactions With Physical Memorials*  
Miriam Sorrentino (University of Greenwich) *Communicative objects in the urban landscape*  
Garfield Benjamin (Solent University, Southampton) *Speculative Media: design, fiction and ethics for The Speculative City* |
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Dr Gary Merrill (University of Roehampton) *Reformers versus Wreckers: a critical analysis of the mediated debate surrounding the Private Finance Initiative (PFI) in 2002*  
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Dr Zahra Khosroshahi (University of East Anglia) *The Complexities and Paradoxes of Iran’s Festival Films*  
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Dr David Baines & Dr Rachel Matthews (Newcastle University & Coventry University)  
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Lenka Waschková Císařová & Barbara Vacková (Masaryk University, Czech Republic)  
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Ruth Stoker (University of Huddersfield)  
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Dr James Morrison (Robert Gordon University)  
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Dr Phil Ramsey (Ulster University)  
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Luca Antilli (Ofcom)  
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Dr Dario Llinares (University of Brighton)  
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Dr Neil Fox (University of Falmouth)  
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Dr Alysses Kushinski (York University, Canada) *Leak Ecologies: Mediated-material Environments*
Dr Candice Howarth (University of Surrey) *Increasing local salience of climate change: The un-tapped impact of the media-science interface*
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Jill Robinson (Birmingham City University) *The disruptive power of Small Data: challenging Big Data-influenced public sector narratives around young people’s social and cultural inequalities*
Nina Rasmussen (King's College London) *Data, Camera, Action: How Algorithms Are Shaking up European Cinema*
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Louise Elali (University of Sussex) *Across borders online: how international PhD students use social media*
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Professor Victoria Carrington (University of Tasmania) *Algorithmic Identities, young people and text*
Dr Esther Priyadharshini (University of East Anglia) *We’re missing our lessons so we can teach you one. Protest and pedagogy in school climate strikes*
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Dr Paula Serafini (University of Leicester) Cultural Production Beyond Extraction? A First Approximation to Extractivism and the Cultural and Creative Industries in Argentina  
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Dr Debra Ramsay (University of Exeter) “Scribbled Hastily in Pencil” – Technologies of Writing and Records of War  
Dr Michael Schofield (University of Leeds) The Death of the Frame? Derrida, Immersive Media Environments and Virtual Photography  
Ido Ramati (Bauhaus-Universität Weimar, Germany) Keyboards, thumb-typing, and the construction of contemporary writers |
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Gabriela Loureiro (University of West London) The role of emotions in online feminist activism in Brazil  
Lidia Salvatori (University of Leicester) Creating feminist spaces in times of anti-gender backlash: the case of the Italian movement NonUnaDiMeno |
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Dr Antonia Liguori (Loughborough University) Co-designing an online ‘Utility Tool’ to bridge science and community knowledge through storytelling
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| Edward Street 104 | Don’t Touch My Cables! Gender, Technology and Labour in Live Coding
Helen Thornham (University of Leeds) Don’t Touch My Cables! Gender, Technology and Labour in Live Coding
Dr Joanne Armitage (University of Cambridge) Live coding interactive session

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| Grand Parade 318b | Critical Comedy
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Dr Sadie Wearing (London School of Economics) | I am not particularly despondent yet' The political tone of Jill Craigie’s To Be A Woman (1951) |
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Roundtables.

Photography and Urban Image Making

Wednesday 8 January 17:15 – 18:15
Room 105 Edward Street

What role can photography play in imagining and creating ethical and sustainable futures? This roundtable chaired by Professor Francis Hodgson aims to explore

Media in/for the Anthropocene: What is the responsibility of media in the climate crisis?

Thursday 9 January 16:15 – 17:15
Grand Parade Sallis Benney Theatre

Organised by the MeCCSA Climate Change Network

This panel session explores the role of media in the climate crisis through a focus on the responsibilities of media actors, scholars and activists in contributing and shaping climate stories and engagements. First, we explore media voices and representations through the lens of justice: who, has media access and representation, is able to craft and curate stories, and to what ends? Second, what are the pedagogical functions of media, and what ‘politics of engagement’ should media enact in the climate crisis? Third, what are the responsibilities of media, communication and cultural studies scholars in critiquing current climate representations and political economies, and contributing new climate stories and practices? Our invited panelists engage with these questions as media-focused campaigners, youth activists, media professionals and media scholars. We look to develop critical discussion and collaboration, and help redefine the central roles and responsibilities of media in the climate crisis.

Panel Members

Alison Anderson, Professor of Sociology, University of Plymouth
Suzanne Dhaliwal, Climate Justice Activist and Strategist, Founder of No Tar Sands
Jessica Ahmed, Youth Climate Striker, UK Student Climate Network
Phoebe Hurst, Managing Editor, Vice
Julie Doyle, Professor of Media and Communication, University of Brighton, Co-Chair Climate Change Network

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Mike Goodman, Professor of Geography, University of Reading, Co-Chair Climate Change Network
**Diversity in the Media**

**Thursday 9 January 16:15 – 17:15**
**Grand Parade Room 204**

This roundtable discussion brings together speakers from the culture industries and academia to consider diversity within the UK media landscape. Understanding the term diversity to encompass all identity formations, such as gender, race, religion, ethnicity, sexuality, class, ability and age, this panel will explore media practice and representation across a range of platforms, including cinema, television, print, radio, music, performance and digital cultures. We hope to examine the state of play within contemporary media industries, identify the key impediments to diversity, and the ways in which these barriers might be overcome to encourage a more representative, pluralist and inclusive media environment.

**Sound, Music, Space and Place**

**Thursday 9 January 16:15 – 17:15**
**Grand Parade Room 202**

The way in which meaning is made across the possibilities of sound mediations is a linking theme of these discursive provocations. This panel, composed of artist-practitioner-researchers, explore media intersectionality and polysemic decodings, considering notions of author and listener positions across a range of environments, case studies and live research projects to articulate the ways in which sound creates purposeful communication.
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