

## Placeless memories: digital constructions of memory and identity

Friday 14 July 2017

9.30 - 18.15

*Bowland Auditorium, Berrick Saul Building, University of York*

### Conference Programme

*This one-day conference seeks to open up discussion on the nature of memory and identity construction online and in digital formats. This under-researched area is of particular importance in an increasingly digital age. Our challenge is to consider the Internet not just as a tool for preserving histories, but as an emergent space where diverse memories and identities are actively shaped, contested, and negotiated in the present moment by a wide variety of different stakeholders.*

**9:00** Registration (Berrick Saul Building foyer)

**9.30** Welcome and opening remarks (Dr Huw Halstead, University of York)

**9.45** Panel 1: Place and placelessness

*Professor Silvana Mandolessi (KU Leuven), 'Memory Unbound: The Issue of Place in Digital Memory'.*

*Dr Areti Galani and Dr Gabi Arrigoni (Newcastle University), 'Online Visual Dialogues: Mobilising Personal Memories of Place to Construct Politically Engaged Identities'.*

*Dr Victoria Grace Walden (University of Sussex), 'Locating Holocaust Memory in the Everyday: Oshpitzin's Archive between Digital and Physical Spaces'.*

*Dr Anna Novikov (The Hebrew University of Jerusalem/CCCEE Cologne-Bonn), 'Web-Patriots. The Digital Promotion of Patriotic Dress in East-Central Europe'.*

**11.30 Break**

**12.00** Keynote address

*Professor Andrew Hoskins (University of Glasgow), 'The Broken Past: Have We Lost Control of Memory?'*

**13.00 Lunch**

## **14.00** Panel 2: Contested and shared memories

*Dr Cara Levey (University College Cork), 'Postmemory on the Periphery: Transnational Activism between Latin America and Europe'.*

*Dr Karina von Lindeiner-Stráský (Open University), 'Public and Private Memories of the GDR in the Digital World'.*

*Joshua Pritchard (University of Cambridge), "'Doxxing, Death Threats, and Harassment": The Memory of White Rhodesia on Reddit's AskHistorians'.*

*Dr Burcu Cevik-Compiegne (University of Technology Sydney) and Victoria Harbutt (Information & Cultural Exchange), 'Johnnies and Mehmetts: Reflecting on a Digital Memorial'.*

## **15.45 Break**

## **16.15** Panel 3: Public histories

*Nicôle Meehan (University of St Andrews), "'Digital Memory Objects" in Museums: Explicit and Implicit Networked Interactions'.*

*Leonie Wieser (Northumbria University), 'Online Representations of Women's Histories of Migration to the North East'.*

*Daniel Willis (UCL), 'A Politics of Placelessness? The Limits of Democratising Memory in the Centro de Documentación e Investigación (CDI) of Lima's Lugar de la Memoria (LUM)'.*

*Dr Nela Milic (London College of Communication, University of the Arts London), 'Belgrade Log: Digital Storytelling as a Counter-History'.*

## **18.00** Closing remarks (Dr Huw Halstead, University of York)

## **18.15 End**

*Conference registration is free of charge.*

*Register here:*

*<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/placeless-memories-tickets-33624198884>*

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