

Architecture of Alterity Symposium | 25-27 May 2015 University of Edinburgh

In a world where we face others that we do not understand, the question of alterity becomes essential to our critical thinking. This 2-1/2 day international symposium will focus on interdisciplinary contributions that discuss alterity from diverse perspectives including spatial, architectural, political, cultural and philosophical.

There will be 5-thematic sessions and 3-research workshops all exploring five key topics including:

**Space of Communicatively
Global Architect of Alterity
Conceptualizing Counter-Hegemonic
Sites, Practices & Narratives
Unveiling the Political: Process,
Identity and Alterity
Alterity and the Ideal**

The overall objective is to create an educational forum providing an active dialogue between both postgraduate and early career researchers with seasoned scholars, while establishing collaborative links between regional and international universities. The twenty four 20-minute paper presentations will be moderated by session chairs from Glasgow School of Art, University of Aberdeen and University of Edinburgh.

Keynote Speakers:

Monday, May 25, 2015

Memory Theatre

Simon Critchley, PhD, Hans Jonas Professor of Philosophy at the New School for Social Research in New York, USA.

Venue: Scottish Storytelling Centre, The Netherbow Thea

Tuesday, May 26, 2015

Mapping the Global Architect of Alterity

Michael K. Jenson, PhD, Associate Professor of Architecture & Associate Dean for Academic Affairs for the College of Architecture and Planning at the University of Colorado, Denver, USA.

Venue: Anatomical Lecture Theatre, Door 3 Medical School, Teviot Pl

Architecture: Alterity as An Ethics of Visuality

Dorian Wiszniewski, PhD, Director of the PhD by Design programme & Senior Lecturer in Architectural Design and Theory at the University of Edinburgh in Scotland, UK.

Venue: Minto House: LR1, ESALA, 20-22 Chambers Street

Wednesday, May 27, 2015

What's Interesting?

Mark Dorrian, Forbes Chair in Architecture at the University of Edinburgh in Scotland, UK.

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