

7th EUROPEAN GEOGRAPHIES OF SEXUALITIES CONFERENCE, University of Brighton
PROGRAMME

Monday 2nd September

9:00-9:30 **Registration** (*Elm House Foyer*)

9:30-10:00 **Welcome Address** (*Huxley 300 Lecture Room*)

10:00-11:30 Parallel Sessions (* indicates a session organiser; Δ indicates a digital presentation):

Getting Comfy – creating and experiencing comfortable spaces for different sexualities #1
(*Elm House 103*) - Chair: Nick McGlynn

Alexandre Rodolfo Alves de Almeida

Bearbie Party: (Dis)comfort Space for Bears in São Paulo, Brazil

Joseli Maria Silva and Debora Lee Comassetto Machado

Transforming hate into pride: Brazilian travesti funk as public space subversion

Laura Soler Rodríguez

Navegando entre el confort y el desafío: motivaciones para la migración urbano-rural de jóvenes disidentes en Cataluña

Creative Reimaginings (*Elm House 104*) - Chair: Joe Jukes

Ray Abu-Jaber

Cruising Dystopia: playing neurodivergent Queer and Trans worlds in dystopic table-top games

Mons Bissenbakker

A Soundtrack of Discomfort: Trans poetics as trans politics

Anna Marocco

Queer Urbanism: participatory art-based practices towards the common Δ

Transit, transition and translation: sexualities on the move (*Elm House 302*) - Chair: Jason Lim

Sarah Best

“Coming-Out as a White Thing”: Queer Tunisians Navigating Identity and Sexuality in a Postcolonial Society

Shu Cean Chua

An Inquiry into the Lives of Queer Chinese Malaysians: The Quest for Queer Space and Identity Reconciliation

David Murphy

Queering International Solidarity: What does a queer British response to queerphobia in Uganda look like?

Chen Misgav

Queer Urban Displacement: The Case of LGBTQ adolescents' shelter in southern Tel-Aviv

11:30-12:00 Break

12:00-13:30 Parallel Sessions:

Getting Comfy – creating and experiencing comfortable spaces for different sexualities #2
(*Elm House 103*) - Chair: Nick McGlynn

Ine Martens

Constellations of comfortable spaces: deaf lesbian orientations

Susanna Jussila

Body as site of resistance and resourcing – Creating safety and comfort through reconnecting with our bodies

Max Andrucki and Adam Gaubinger

Domestic Discomforts: Eros, Sexuality, and the Home Δ

Out in Public (*Elm House 104*) - Chair: Joe Jukes

Roisin Ryan-Flood

Holding hands: LGBTQ people's experiences of public displays of affection with their partner

Alexandre Chanady

Beyond the heteronormative city: the making of LGBTQ heritage in Montréal Δ

Shannon Grimes

Making the Extra-Ordinary Ordinary: Changing Spatial Relations of Queer People in Brighton

Marta Maria Nicolazzi

Body, Self and Space: How women's fear articulates in Milanese public spaces

Contemporary perspectives on Pride events #1
(*Elm House 304*) - Chair: Jason Lim

Anat Kraslavsky

Homophilosemitism

Jordi Calabuig Serra

Pride! Circuit Festival and Orgull demonstration: when LGBT+ events are not unitary

Priyam Ghosh

Whose Pride is it anyways: Articulating Intersections of Gender, Class, and Caste in Queer Prides Parades in Indian Metropolitan Cities

Workshop (*Elm House 302*)

Lee Eisold

Workshop: What makes us feel good in community spaces?

13:30-14:30	Lunch Break, provided by Lunch Positive		
14:30-16:00	Parallel Sessions:		
	Queer-feminist spaces of sexual harassment and violence (<i>Elm House 103</i>)	Simone Kreutz Erzsébet Barát and Hanna Hacker Janina Smietanka Panagiota Vogiatzi	Sexualized Violence in ›Feminist‹ Spaces: Turning Comfortable Spaces into Uncomfortable Ones Beyond disaffected consent: Testimonies as tactical repertoires in academia Uncomfortable comfortability: A sensory exploration of unwanted sexual attention in the LGBTQ+ night time economy (NTE) Exploring the Queer Past and Travelling in Discomfort Places
	On The Edge: questioning the urban periphery as an uncomfortable space for LGBTQ* people (<i>Elm House 104</i>) - Chair: Bastian Neuhauser	Milan Bonté and Cyril Blondel Maria Kherbouche Matt C Smith	When social marginalization encounters territorial peripheralization. A case study on LGBTI mobilities in the French Ardennes Reconfiguring the margins: LGBTQI+ activism in Saint-Denis and Nørrebro "I feel like I can breathe properly. I feel open": Centring the liminal in trans urban geographies
	Reimagining Bodies and Spaces: Queer and feminist perspectives on censorship, expression and normativity #1 (<i>Elm House 302</i>) - Chair: Michal Pitoňák	Andrew McCartan and Kath Browne Ekaterina Filep Roberto Kulpa Michal Pitoňák*	"That actually felt so much more real to me... than pretending we could coexist": Uncomfortably imagining spaces 'beyond opposition' in relation to sexuality, gender and abortion Mapping anti-gender discourse in Swiss and Hungarian media and politics Mapping so-called 'anti-gender' discourses in parliamentary and media spaces across the 'eastern' and 'western' geopolitical imaginations of 'Europe'. Contours of Resistance: LGBT+ Activism Amidst Populism and Morality Politics in Central and Eastern Europe
	The Invisibility of Bisexuality Research: looking for bisexual presences and absences in geographies of sexualities #1 (<i>Elm House 304</i>) - Chair: Maria Rodó-Zárate	Robin Rose Breetveld Rowan Dowling Penny Harvey Maria Rodó-Zárate*, Júlia Pascual-Bordas*, Juliana Souza*	You Don't Belong Here: Navigating the Complex Socio-Spatial and Epistemic In- and Exclusion of Bisexuality Dark Blue, Half-Blue, Bi: Tracing Bisexual Identification in Russia Exploring Gender Dynamics in Sexual Interactions: Insights from Bisexual, Queer, Pansexual, and Polyamorous Individuals The Imposed Sexual Binary on Bisexual Experience: Heterocisnormativity's Impact on Everyday Places
16:00-16:30	Break		
16:30-18:00	Parallel Sessions:		
	Unruly Dis/comfort: 'Unsexy Spaces' and Later-in-Life Sex (<i>Elm House 103</i>) - Chair: Joe Jukes	Giulia Nazzaro* and Gabriëlle de Pooter* Valerie De Craene Ela Przybyło Zofia Holewjustz	"Out of here": older women's unruly sexuality in a care home Δ "I don't want to have sex between 6pm and 8pm on Thursdays because it suits the staff" Home-making as a contested space for intimacy and sexuality at old age On the Pressures of Vigor, Productivity, and Pleasure: Aging With Asexuality Studies Δ Geographies of asexuality
	Reimagining Bodies and Spaces: Queer and feminist perspectives on censorship, expression and normativity #2 (<i>Elm House 302</i>) - chaired by Michal Pitoňák	Meg Poff Mujung Tsai Veronika Valkovičová* and Katarina Minarovicova David Popelka	'Take Ecstasy with Me': An embodied autoethnography of hope(fulness/lessness) in London's queer* night-life scenes Public Spaces and Intimate Feelings: Mapping and Blurring Gendered Spatial Dichotomy through Exploring Queer Everyday Life, Tactics, and Attachments in Berlin, Wedding Picking a side in the culture wars: LGBTQI+ employee/business resource groups in Slovakia Queering Space in Cinema
	Contemporary perspectives on Pride events #2 (<i>Elm House 304</i>) - Chair: Nick McGlynn	Shanshan Ouyang David Dooling Tzeni Melachroinou and Alexandra Halkias	Safe Space=Comfortable? : experience of disabled queer activists in Japan and Taiwan's Pride Parades The Ideal Sexual Citizen: Securing the Assets of Pride Parade Organizers Normalization and Resistance at Athens Pride 2023: A Killjoy perspective Δ
18:30-20:00	Central Brighton queer history walking tour	Rachel Aldred and August Reid	Location: The Ledward Centre , Jubilee Street; sign up at registration [20 places available]
19:00	Conference Dinner	[60 places available]	Location: Côte Brasserie, Church Street

Tuesday 3rd September

9:30 - 11:00	Parallel Sessions:		
	Queer Temporalities in the city: personal and theoretical aspects #1 (<i>Elm House 104</i>) – Chair: <i>Chen Misgav</i>	Dotan Brom	Queering Memorials: Subversive Temporalities in Haifa's Urban Landscape from the British Mandate to the 1970s
		Salomé Honório	Within, Through, and Despite: Rethinking the Hermeneutics of the Closet, across Space and Time.
		Matt C. Smith	We're From the Future: Planning Trans Care in the City
	(Un)Comfortable Homemaking: Exploring the Geographies of LGBTQ+ Migrants and Refugees in Europe #1 (<i>Elm House 302</i>) – Chair: <i>Rieke Schröder</i>	Rachel Larkin	Changing Places: LGBTQ+ Young Migrants in the UK
		Aadarsh Gangwar	(Dis)comfort in the field site
		Sophia Zisakou	Feeling queer, feeling real: Affective economies of truth in queer asylum politics
		Rose Nelson	Embodied Experiences of Forcibly Displaced Persons: Examining the Complex Relationships between Transactional Sex, Discomfort, and Comfort.
	Risk, Danger & Sex (<i>Elm House 304</i>) – Chair: <i>Joe Jukes</i>	Alfarel Ridwan Syaifullah	Gender-Based Segregation Policy and Sexual Harassment Interventions in Public Transport: A Study on Transjakarta Using Public Perception Approach
		Klara Arnberg and Riikka Taavetti	Discomfort and Danger at Sea: Media Representations of Sexual Violence and Harassment on Passenger Ferries between Finland and Sweden
		Krishna Gogoi	Navigating comfort and discomfort: Spaces of belonging for women in Indian university campuses
		Vishavjeet Dhanda and Kiran Bhairannavar	Uncomfortable Alliances, (extra)Normative Geographies: unpacking rural sexualities in India
11:00-11:30	Break		
11:30-13:00	Parallel Sessions:		
	Queer Temporalities in the city: personal and theoretical aspects #2 (<i>Elm House 104</i>) – Chair: <i>Chen Misgav</i>	Tilen Kolar	Waiting as filling up space: (dis)comforts of queer friendships and public space in Slovenia
		Priyam Ghosh	Kaun jaaye Dilli ki Galiyaan Chodd ke*: A Case of Shrinking Gay (Male) cruising spaces in Delhi
		Leehee Rothschild	From Capsulation to Comfort: Israeli Queer and Polyamorous Experiences in Lockdown
		Heini Salminen	Queer Worldmaking Practices and Temporary Selves in Autonomous Queer Spaces
	(Un)Comfortable Homemaking: Exploring the Geographies of LGBTQ+ Migrants and Refugees in Europe #2 (<i>Elm House 302</i>) – Chair: <i>Rieke Schröder</i>	Rieke Schröder* and Marlene Spanger	Negotiating Intimacy, Sex and Money: The Complex Infrastructure of LGBTQ+ Refugees' Support in Urban Spaces
		Diego Garcia Rodriguez*	Queering Faith: Challenging Homosecular Narratives in UK Asylum Processes
		Calogero Giametta*	Between Silence and Media Discourse: Mobile Queerness in Italy from the 1960s
	Dis/comfort and Sexual Practices (<i>Elm House 304</i>) - Chair: <i>Jason Lim</i>	Katy Pilcher	Creating a desire-led space? Exploring the embodied experiences of Orgasmic Meditation practitioners
		Madhusree Dasgupta	"Get out of your head and just f*ck": Comfort and discomfort in embodied fat sexualities
		Ozan Félix Sousbois and Hande Eslen-Ziya	The Boundaries of a "True-cel" in "Sexo-Society": Disengagement, Moral Panic, and Incel Counterpublics
		Nathalie Lugand	Navigating Uncomfortable Territories: An Immersive Exploration of Sexuality for a Researcher
13:00-14:00	Lunch Break, provided by Lunch Positive		
14:00-15:30	Parallel Sessions:		
	Building Narratives of Older LGBTQ+ Lives in Southern Europe (<i>Elm House 103</i>) - Chair: <i>Ana Lúcia Santos</i>	Pedro Fidalgo	Reaching for a Queer Past: Queer critical postcolonial insights for the production of research on queer pasts, history and memories in Portugal
		Ana Lúcia Santos*	Remembering the Invisible: Ageing as an LGBTQ+ Person in Contemporary Portugal
		Victor Mora Gaspar and Konstantinos Argyriou	Discomfort and queer aging: Exclusions and politics of ignorance in Spanish identity politics

	Comfort and the city: towards a multiscalar and mobile approach of safe spaces and discomfort #1 (<i>Elm House 104</i>) - Chair: <i>Charlotte Briend</i>	Ráhel Cszimadia Jerònia Cubells, Oriol Marquet, Ersilia Verlinghieri and Rachel Aldred Erin Sanders-McDonagh and Magali Peyrefitte Charlotte Briend*	An unfinished circle, a line and infinity: What shape does the gender journey take for three nonbinary, immigrant artists in Portugal? Queering mobilities: Strategies of (in)visibility and care in Barcelona streets Navigating public toilet access in London's Soho: mapping variations in public toilet availability for marginalized groups From the scale of the city to the scale of the body. Gaining access of Paris through the practice of women's self-defense.
	Queer Refugees in "Queer Utopias": Inclusion & Exclusion in Northern Europe (<i>Elm House 304</i>) - Chair: <i>Guðbjörg Ottósdóttir</i>	Árdís K. Ingvars* Guðbjörg Ottósdóttir* Linda Sólveigar- og Guðmunds* Maja Hertoghs*	Event(ual) queer crafting in buckled up temporalities of Dublin regulated SOGIE refugees Working with queer refugees in queer utopia: Narratives of professionals in systems of social support SOGIE refugees' transitional existence: Belonging and exclusion in Iceland. The state's sexual desires. The performance of sexuality in the Dutch asylum procedure.
	Universities amidst culture wars – safe spaces or battlefields? (<i>Elm House 302</i>) - Chair: <i>Veronika Valkovičová</i>	Veronika Valkovičová* and Shaban Darakchi* Ezgi Pehlivanli and Hande Eslen-Ziya	Precarious Work or Exploitable Niche? Experiences of Researchers Working on LGBTQ+ Topics in Europe Navigating Academic Turbulence: The Intersection of Anti-Gender Mobilization, Neoliberal Measures, and Illiberal Governance in Turkish Gender Studies
15:30-16:00	Break		
16:00-17:30	Parallel Sessions:		
	The Invisibility of Bisexuality Research: looking for bisexual presences and absences in geographies of sexualities #2 (<i>Elm House 103</i>) - Chair: <i>Maria Rodó-Zárate</i>	Mafalda Esteves Surya Monro Leon Freude	"Beyond the Binary": Navigating Bisexuality in LGBTQI+ Communities in Portugal through the lens of bisexual activists Changing political landscapes and the erasure of bisexuality Bisexual identification in youth surveys: Zooming into the Catalan case
	Comfort and the city: towards a multiscalar and mobile approach of safe spaces and discomfort #2 (<i>Elm House 104</i>) - Chair: <i>Charlotte Briend</i>	Clément Nicolle* Gizem Güvensoy Noémie Gailhac Calixte*	Uncertain spatialities, from the screen to the city. A multiscalar approach to risk and risk management in the use of the dating application Grindr. Solidarity Opportunities of Queer Spaces in Turkey Mobile violence: understanding heterosexual intimate partner violence on a spatial network scale
	Feeling for Queer Methods (<i>Elm House 304</i>) - Chair: <i>Colin Yang</i>	Kerryn Drysdale and Jan Filmer Dale Moodley Amy Prescott, Michael Thomas and Christina Victor	Sensing scenes in queer space and time Classroom pedagogy as an uncomfortably comforting space: psychology students' reflections about their gendered and sexual socialization Pride and Prejudice: Confronting challenges in researching LGBTQ+ older adults
17:30	Conference close: group photo (<i>Elm House foyer</i>)		
18:30-20:00	Central Brighton queer history walking tour	Rachel Aldred and August Reid	Location: The Ledward Centre , Jubilee Street; sign up at registration [20 places available]
18:30-Late	Post-conference social		Location: Charles Street Tap , Marine Parade