

2nd Call for Papers

Deadline extension: **20 August 2017**

WISPS XVIII Annual Conference
University of Leeds, 10-11 November 2017

The XVIII Annual WISPS Conference will be held at the University of Leeds on Friday 10 and Saturday 11 November 2017, with Professors Stephanie Dennison (Leeds) and Nuria Capdevila-Argüelles (Exeter), the Spanish-Argentinian experimental writer Belén Gache and **the Mexican documentary filmmaker Betzabé García** as our confirmed speakers. **There will be a roundtable on ‘Digital (R)evolutions in Academic Writing’ and a workshop on ‘Representations of Gender Violence in Contemporary Mexican Cinema’, and we will be screening García’s prize-winning *Los reyes del pueblo que no existe* (<https://losreyesdelpuebloquenoexiste.com/>).**

WISPS organizes **annual conferences** to act as a focus for all those in Great Britain and Ireland researching into fields such as anthropology, geography, history, linguistics, literature, politics and audio, film, intermedial, theatre and performance studies, among others, within Luso-Hispanic cultures. WISPS also provides a wide network of trans and cis women researchers interested in feminist, gender and queer studies and a challenging but informal forum in which these issues and work-in-progress can be discussed.

CALL FOR INDIVIDUAL PAPERS, POSTERS AND PANELS

Proposals are invited for individual papers of 20 minutes or for panels, consisting of three papers of 20 minutes, on any area of research relating to Spanish, Basque, Catalan, Galician, Latin American and Lusophone studies. Proposals for workshops and roundtables are also welcome. WISPS is especially interested in cross-disciplinary and inter-disciplinary work.

200-word proposals, full panel proposals, poster presentations and workshops/roundtable proposals must be sent via the WISPS website (www.wisps.org.uk) by no later than **20 August 2017**. For panels, the panel convenor should send abstracts (200 words) for the **three** papers. **We particularly welcome poster presentations.**

Proposals are welcome from members and non-members and from trans and cis men and women academics. Postgraduate students whose research falls within Luso-Hispanic Studies are particularly welcome. WISPS will award three postgraduate travel grants to cover some of the expenses of presenting at the conference. **Although the main language of the conference is English, contributions in other languages of the area of study are welcome.** Those wishing to submit an application must do so when they submit their abstract via the website.

Please send your proposals by **20 August 2017** via the **WISPS website**.

Practical information about accommodation, travel, registration and venue will be made available quite soon on the WISPS website: www.wisps.org.uk and the conference website: www.leeds.ac.uk/arts/wisps. Details about the conference registration will be circulated in due course. For any queries please contact the conference organiser, Dr Thea Pitman (t.pitman@leeds.ac.uk), or the conference secretary, Dr María Liñeira (wispsconference@gmail.com).

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