

## Queer Legacies, New Solidarities

### CFP

**A conference presented by Deakin Gender and Sexuality Studies, the Australian Women's and Gender Studies Association, the Australian Lesbian and Gay Archives.**

**Deakin University and State Library of Victoria, 22-24 November 2018**

This conference will focus on queer and gendered legacies and how we work with such legacies to build future worlds and solidarities.

It has been over four decades since second-wave feminism and Gay Liberation, and the rise of women's studies and lesbian and gay studies nurtured by these developments. Since then, understandings, activism, scholarship and pedagogies in relation to gender and sexuality have developed and grown in complex and often unforeseen ways. A key factor has been attending to how a sense of "we" is culturally framed, contingent, a site of struggle, and often fragile. This conference invites people to reflect on how collective histories (both cultural and pedagogic) are traced and articulated, how they inform our work and being in the present moment, and the role of solidarities in envisioning the future.

What themes, methods and tendencies characterise contemporary research, teaching and activism in relation to gender and sexuality and in what ways can we think about this contemporary work in relation to its historical antecedents? How has gender and sexuality studies been reshaped by debates about decolonisation, globalisation, ecological crisis and disability studies?

In a context of resurgent moral panics over sex, gender and sexuality, this conference encourages reflections on the material and discursive conditions enabling research, teaching and community collaborations within gender and sexuality studies.

As experiences and understandings of sex, gender and sexuality shift, in some cases pluralising and in other cases narrowing, how might "we" develop research, teaching and activism which is attentive to the denigration of difference (e.g. racism, poverty, misogyny, homophobia, transphobia etc.)? What have we learned about new ways of assembling collectives around expanding recognitions of difference? What types of solidarities are now possible or might be required?

We invite critical and creative contributions, presented individually or collectively. We encourage work from a wide variety of disciplinary backgrounds on topics related to sex, gender and sexuality, including work on masculinity and heterosexuality. In particular, we encourage feminist, lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, intersex and queer work.

## **Keynote speakers**

[Anjali Arondekar](#)

[Genevieve Grieves](#)

Further speakers to be confirmed.

## **Important dates**

Abstracts due: 29 June 2018

Acceptance announced: 31 July 2018

Conference dates: 22–24 November 2018

Registration details will be announced shortly.

## **Information required**

Individual papers:

Title:

Abstract (300 words):

Bio (150 words):

Contact:

Panel proposals

Panel title:

Panel Abstract (300 words):

And for each paper (3):

Paper title:

Paper Abstract (300 words):

Bio (150 words):

Contact:

## **Proposals and queries to**

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