



Wet feet? Flooding, resilience and the climate crisis (online)

Keynote speakers to be announced

Call for Papers

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19 May 2021

Deadline for proposals: 15 January, 2020

The conference organisers Gemma Curto (PhD student, English Literature) and Juliet de Little (PhD student, Urban Studies) herewith call for proposals for papers engaging with our main theme of conceptualisations of flooding; including flood resilience and impacts of climate change on flooding and water flow. This includes: how floods are depicted in contemporary narratives in a variety of forms and media as means as reflecting climate change; how social practices, policy and governance influence and shape flooding as well as our responses to them. *Wet feet? Flooding, resilience and the climate crisis* will take an interdisciplinary approach to the aforementioned theme in societies and academia; ***encouraging applications from interested and wide-ranging backgrounds.***

The conference will be held on 19 May 2021, with ongoing access to posted papers during the week of the 17th of May 2021. It will be held online, with more details to follow.

Suggested topics include but are not limited to:

- Resilience and recovery, equality and inequality in contemporary flood stories
- Contemporary depictions of climate crisis floods
- Ideas of guilt, human agency and retribution transmitted by floods
- The relationship between human and nonhuman animals in an environmental disaster
- Climate change impacts and companion animals in shared urban futures
- Living with flood risk and flooding
- 'Watery' policies
- Landscapes of change: eco-catastrophe, rewilding and restoration after floodings
- Sustainable management of water resources
- Climate justice, politics and activism. Building a national, grassroots movement
- Flood resilience and adaptation measures

Submission Guidelines: We invite abstracts of no more than 200 words and short biographical notes (50 words) in email body or Word format to (Juliet - jmdelittle1@sheffield.ac.uk and Gemma - g.curto@sheffield.ac.uk) by no later than Tuesday 15 January 2020 for short video submission in the spring (preferably under 15 minutes). This event is free and open to all, but attendees and presenters will be registering for the conference via Eventbrite. Any further enquiries can be sent to the above email addresses.

