



**Society for Renaissance Studies 6th Biennial Conference
Centre for Medieval and Renaissance Culture
University of Southampton
13-15 July 2014**



Call for Papers

The conference theme is 'Performative Spaces'. We invite Renaissance scholars from the disciplines of archaeology, architecture, history of art, history, history of science and medicine, literature, music, philosophy and other fields to submit proposals for panels (90 mins), and individual papers (20 mins), that engage with 'Performative Spaces':

- as liturgical or religious performances;
- by addressing the ways objects were intended to tell stories;
- as processions, rituals, and ceremonies;
- as houses, and through building design;
- by exploring diplomatic and political spaces;
- as actual and textual musical and dramatic performances;
- through artistic representation;
- as anatomies or scientific experiments;
- through clothing or furniture;
- as seascapes/ landscapes;
- through the use of new technologies such as podcasts, blogs, twitter;
- by addressing public engagement and pedagogy.

In addition there is an 'Open Strand' which welcomes proposals for panels or papers on any aspect of Renaissance studies.

Plenary lectures will be given by Lena Cowen Orlin (Georgetown), Sharon Strocchia (Emory), Simon Thurley (English Heritage), Greg Walker (Edinburgh) and there will be workshops on publishing and research funding and tours of historic buildings around the city.

Proposals (max. 400 words) are welcome from both established scholars and postgraduates and they should be sent by Friday 27 September 2013 to the conference organizers:

Professor Ros King (r.king@southampton.ac.uk) Director, CMRC
Professor Claire Jowitt (c.jowitt@southampton.ac.uk) Conference Convenor, SRS

Further details (e.g. full programme, registration forms and information about accommodation) will be posted as they become available. Please note that the Society is particularly keen to encourage postgraduates to offer papers, and we will be able to offer generous bursaries to cover travel, registration and accommodation expenses. Also note that the SRS has come to an agreement with the Renaissance Society of America: RSA members will not have to join the SRS to participate in this conference.



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