

Invitation to Participate

'Generational Sexualities'

- A one-day event to bring different generations of Sexualities researchers into dialogue

Date: 27th September 2011 (Tuesday)

Venue: St. Antony's College, University of Oxford

Population ageing brings both challenges and opportunities to individuals, communities and societies. At the same time, it has brought into focus issues around ageing, life course and intergenerational relationships. However, it has been argued that only until relatively recently have 'age' and 'generations' been given explicit attention in the contemporary study of sexualities (Plummer 2010).

This workshop themed 'Generational Sexualities' aims to bring different generations of sexualities researchers into dialogue, to share their experience of conducting research in the respective historical and cultural contexts. It discusses the socialization and research environments that different generations of sexualities researchers find themselves in, and how these may have impacted their research agenda, methodologies and outcomes.

Confirmed speakers include:

❖ **Professor Ken Plummer**

Emeritus Professor of Sociology, University of Essex; Author of '*Documents of Life-2: An Invitation to a Critical Humanism*', '*The Making of the Modern Homosexual*', '*Sexual Stigma*', '*Telling Sexual Stories: Power, Intimacy and Social Worlds*' and '*Intimate Citizenship: Personal Decisions and Public Dialogues*', among many others

❖ **Professor Jeffrey Weeks**

Emeritus Professor of Sociology, London South Bank University; Author of '*Sexuality*', '*Coming Out: Homosexual Politics in Britain from the Nineteenth Century to the Present*', '*The World We Have Won*' and '*The Languages of Sexuality*' and co-author of '*Same Sex Intimacies: Families of Choice and other Life Experiments*', among many others

❖ **Professor Diane Richardson**

Professor of Sociology, Newcastle University; Author of '*Rethinking Sexuality*', co-author of '*Intersections between Feminist and Queer Theory*' and '*Sexuality, Equality and Diversity* (forthcoming) and co-editor of '*Contesting Recognition*' (forthcoming) among many others

❖ **Professor Mairtin Mac an Ghaill**

Professor of Sociology, Newman University College Birmingham; Author of '*The Making of Men: Masculinities, Sexuality and Schooling*', '*Contemporary Racisms and Ethnicities*' and co-author of '*Gender, Culture and Society: Contemporary Femininities and Masculinities*', among many others

❖ **Dr. Jon Binnie**

Reader in Human Geography, School of Science and Environment, Manchester Metropolitan University; Author of '*The Globalization of Sexuality*', co-author of '*The Sexual Citizen: Queer Politics and Beyond*' and '*Pleasure Zones: Bodies, Cities, Spaces*' and co-editor of '*Cosmopolitan Urbanism*', among many others

❖ **Professor Stephen Whittle OBE**

Professor of Equalities Law, Manchester Metropolitan University; Author of '*Respect and Equality: Transsexual and Transgender Rights*', '*The Transgender Studies Reader*' and '*The Transgender Debate: The Crisis Surrounding Gender Identities*', among many others

This event is FREE for BSA members and members of St. Antony's College, University of Oxford. It only costs £25 for non-BSA members to attend.

A light lunch is provided for the participants. Places are limited for the event to facilitate discussions. Please make your booking as soon as possible, via the British Sociological Association website:

<http://bsas.esithosting.co.uk/public/event/events.aspx>

**Please contact Tung Suen, University of Oxford,
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Tentative Timetable:

10:45-11:00 Registration and arrival

11:00-11:15 Welcome and introductions

11:15-11:45 Opening address by Professor Ken Plummer:
'Generational Sexualities'

11:45-13:15 Panel 1 – *Doing sexualities research in the 70s*

13:15-14:00 Light lunch and informal discussions

14:00-15:30 Panel 2 – *Doing sexualities research in the 90s*

15:30-15:45 Break

15:45-16:30 Plenary discussion: *Generational sexualities in dialogue –
Doing research in 2010s?*

Directions to St. Antony's College:

<http://www.sant.ox.ac.uk/about/directions.html>

Accommodation:

Accommodation at St. Antony's College is available for booking. Another nearby option is St. Anne's College, which is 5-minute away from the event venue. Please note that availability is limited and the organiser cannot accept any responsibility for accommodation arrangement:

<http://www.oxfordrooms.co.uk>

About St. Antony's College:

St Antony's College is the most cosmopolitan of the seven graduate colleges of the University of Oxford, specialising in international relations, economics, politics and history of particular parts of the world. It also houses 7 area study centres specialising in African Studies, Asian Studies, European Studies, Latin American Studies, Middle Eastern Studies, Japanese Studies, and Russian and Eurasian Studies. St Antony's 40 Governing Body Fellows all have international reputations in their specialist fields and, in combination, provide a unique insight into today's global issues. There are more than 400 students from some 77 different countries studying for postgraduate degrees and each year around 100 visiting senior members from the academic, diplomatic, business and political worlds come to the College.