



Department of American Literature and Culture
School of English
Aristotle University of Thessaloniki, Greece

Pre-symposium Workshops
Thursday November 30th 2023

Venue: ROOM 308B

(School of English, Faculty of Philosophy, New Building, 3rd Floor)

Workshop a: 12:00- 13:30

Title: Digitality and environmental awareness

Moderator: Vicky Karanika

(Aristotle University of Thessaloniki/3rd Primary School in Polygyros)

Workshop b: 13:45-15:15

Title: Re-imagining our lived space with Twine

Moderator: Evgenia Kleidona

(Aristotle University of Thessaloniki)

International Symposium: December 1-2, 2023
Day 1 – Friday December 1, 2023 [Onsite/Online]

Venue: Amph.3

(Aristotle University Research Dissemination Center, September 3, University Campus)

10:00-10:45 SYMPOSIUM REGISTRATIONS

10:45-11:00 WELCOME REMARKS

11:00-11:45

Chair: Zoi Detsi

(Aristotle University of Thessaloniki)

Title: Active Citizenship and Historical Awareness in Twenty-first Century American Drama and Theater: José Rivera's *Brainpeople* and Naomi Wallace's *The Fever Chart: Three Visions of the Middle East*

Speaker: Konstantinos Blatanis

(The National and Kapodistrian University of Athens)

11:45-12:30

Chair: Lydia Roupakia

(Aristotle University of Thessaloniki)

Title: Interrogations in Human Exceptionalism: Literary and Digital Readings in/for *Natureculture*
Speaker: Sophia Emmanouilidou
(Aristotle University of Thessaloniki)

12:30-13:00 COFFEE BREAK

13:00-14:45 WORKSHOP

Title: Online Commentary with 2nd Primary School in Karystos & Locative Media for Civic Engagement Workshop
Moderator: Vasileios Delioglani
(2nd Primary School in Karystos/Independent Researcher)

14:45-15:15 COFFEE BREAK

15:15-16:00

Chair: Maria Poulaki
(Aristotle University of Thessaloniki)
Title: From Print to Digital: from Digital to Print
Speaker: Kate Pullinger
(Bath Spa University)

16:00-16:45 ROUNDTABLE WITH EDUCATORS

Chair: Despoina Feleki
(Aristotle University of Thessaloniki/ Primary School in Neo Rysio)
Title: Active Citizenship in the Digital Age
Speakers: Nikolaos Amanatidis
(Educational Consultant, Northern Greece)
Elsa Plakida and Elpiniki Psomataki
(Arsakeio Primary School, Thessaloniki)
Vasileios Delioglani
(2nd Primary School in Karystos/Independent Researcher)
Vicky Karanika
(Aristotle University of Thessaloniki / 3rd Primary School in Polygyros)
Evgenia Kleidona
(Aristotle University of Thessaloniki)

16:45-17:00 Q&A – CONCLUDING REMARKS – CLOSING OF DAY 1

Day 2 – Saturday December 2, 2023 [ONLINE]

14:00-14:30 PLATFORM OPENS – ATTENDEES LOG IN

14:20 WELCOME REMARKS

14:30-15:15

Chair: Sophia Emmanouilidou
(Aristotle University of Thessaloniki)
Title: Augmenting Environmental Activism: Exploring the Intersections of Digital Practice and Civic Engagement

Speaker: **Ingrid Gessner**
(University College of Education Vorarlberg in Feldkirch)

15:15-16:00

Chair: **Georgios Dimitriadis**
(Aristotle University of Thessaloniki)
Title: **Active Citizenship and VR Cinema**
Speakers: **Maria Poulaki**
(Aristotle University of Thessaloniki)
Tina Bastajian
(Amsterdam University College)

16:00-16:15 **BREAK**

16:15-17:00

Chair: **Konstantinos Blatanis**
(The National and Kapodistrian University of Athens)
Title: **Embodied Approaches to Democracy in the Digital Sphere**
Speaker: **Danae Theodoridou**
(Fontys Academy of the Arts)

17:00-17:45

Chair: **Domna Pastourmatzi**
(Aristotle University of Thessaloniki)
Title: **Persistent Engagement in a Digital Culture of Transaction: Civic Media, Proximal Belonging, and the Future of Civic Agency**
Speaker: **Paul Mihailidis**
(Emerson College)

17:45-18:00 **BREAK**

18:00-18:45 **INTERVIEW**

Chair: **Despoina Feleki**
(Aristotle University of Thessaloniki / Primary School in Neo Rysio)
Lydia Roupakia
(Aristotle University of Thessaloniki)
Speaker: **Sangita Shresthova**
(University of Southern California)

18:45-19:30

Chair: **Tatiani Rapatzikou**
(Aristotle University of Thessaloniki)
Title: **"Art, Activism, and Digital Culture"**
Speaker: **Rachel Moore**
(Executive Director at The Current, Center for Contemporary Art in Stowe, VT)

----- **SYMPOSIUM ENDS** -----

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