

Other(ing) Sensing (online, 17-18 Jun 21)

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Other(ing) Sensing. Practices, Politics and Ethics of Sensitive Media

2nd conference of the SENSING Research Group: The Knowledge of Sensitive Media, Potsdam

Sensing, in its more-than-human, technological, as well as human dimension, is often understood as an element of transmission or connection. It encompasses practices of (ostensibly) making the imperceptible perceivable, of turning formerly opaque processes into data or of 'accessing' other subjectivities. But as much as sensitive media are an attempt to bridge difference, they are also responsible in the constitution of otherness. Their intention to connect can also turn into a violent erasure of difference. Our 2021 conference aims at looking at the practices, politics and ethics of sensing in relation to alterity. How do entities sense one another? What in- and exclusions are constituted through sensitive media? In which ways can sensing become a violent act of appropriation? But also, what is the subversive opening of 'other' sensing practices?

Conference Program

DAY 1

THURSDAY, JUNE 17, 2021

3:00 – 4:30pm

Welcome & Introduction

4:30 – 5:00pm

Break

5:00 – 6:00pm

Talk & Discussion with Wendy Chun

with Wendy Hui Kyong Chun

by Jan Distelmeyer, Christian Schwinghammer

6:00 – 6:30pm

Listening Session I: Nomadic Listening

with Budhaditya Chattopadhyay

by Kate Donovan

6:30 – 7:30pm

Break

7:30 – 9:50pm

Panel I: Other(ed) Sensibilities

with Christopher Brown, Erica Fretwell, Kyla Schuller, Sachi Sekimoto
by Anja Breljak, Vanessa Oberin

DAY 2

FRIDAY, JUNE, 2021

3:00 – 5:00pm

Panel II: Sensing Technology Narratives

with Orit Halpern, Melissa Littlefield, Ashley Shew
by Nicole Schimkus, Alice Soiné, Daniel Stoecker

5:00 – 5:30pm

Listening Session II: Parasites

with Janna Holmstedt
by Kate Donovan

5:30 – 6:30pm

Break

6:30 – 8:30pm

Panel III: More-than-human Sensing

with Ally Bisshop, Elaine Gan, Deboleena Roy
by Kate Donovan, Christian Schwinghammer

8:30 – 8:40pm

Short Break

8:40 – 09:10pm

Closing Discussion

All times CEST (Central European Summer Time)

More info at: <http://www.zem-brandenburg.de/en/sensing/conference21.html>

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