

CALL FOR PAPERS

John Dewey's 'Democracy and Education' 100 years on: Past, present and future relevance

A conference to be held at the University of Cambridge, UK
Wednesday 28 September – Saturday 1 October 2016

Confirmed keynote speakers:

Prof. Barbara Stengel, Vanderbilt University, USA

Prof. Rosa Bruno-Jofré, Queens University, Canada

Dame Alison Peacock, Executive Headteacher of The Wroxham Teaching School, UK

Gert Biesta, Brunel University, UK

Submissions are invited for the *John Dewey's 'Democracy and Education' 100 Years On* conference, which will be held at the University of Cambridge, UK, from 28 September until 1 October 2016. The conference will consist of paper presentations, symposia, key-note presentations, panel-sessions, hands-on philosophy for children sessions, and a visit to the University of Cambridge Primary School.

Submissions are now invited for full paper presentations (30 minute slot, plus time for questions) and work-in-progress presentations (20 minute slot, plus time for questions). Please submit a proposal of about 1,000 words through our on-line submission system: [<https://www.conference-service.com/DE2016/welcome.cgi>], outlining the main theme and focus and overall structure of your contribution. All proposals will be reviewed by the programme committee. Deadline for submissions is 15 January 2016. You will be informed by the programme committee by the end of February 2016.

Democracy and Education sets out an argument as to how education should function to enable democratic social relations and the growth and development of the individual. It argues that democracy is a necessary way of living together to protect the individual and maintain social equity. The argument is premised on a social-interactionist theory of knowledge. The book's publication was designed to promote a philosophy of education to meet the needs of a changing democratic society. *Democracy and Education* remains one of the most often cited texts in the history of modern education. 100 years after its publication it is time to explore its history and assess its current and future relevance. The ambition of the *John Dewey's 'Democracy and Education' 100 Years On* conference is to bring together education scholars and practitioners from across the world to engage with this task.

The conference will be organised around the following five themes (for more information see the conference website at www.dewey2016.co.uk):

[1] **Histories of the Text**

[2] **Putting Dewey in his Place: The Social Biography of the Text**

[3] **Democracy and the Common School**

[4] **Experience**

[5] **The Role of the Teacher**

When submitting your proposal, please indicate to which theme you wish to contribute.

The conference fee will be £260 before 30th of April 2016, £295 thereafter. This includes participation in the conference, coffee, tea and lunch; conference dinners on the 28th and

30th; and a copy of the book of abstracts in electronic form (and on paper by request). Please note that you need to make separate arrangements for accommodation and travel. More information can be found on the conference website: www.dewey2016.co.uk.

The conference is being organised by Gert Biesta, Catherine Burke, Peter Cunningham, Christine Doddington, Ruth Heilbronn, Rupert Higham, Gonzalo Jover and Richard Pring. The conference is being supported by the Philosophy of Education Society of Great Britain, the History of Education Society of Great Britain, the Faculty of Education, University of Cambridge, UK, and Homerton College, Cambridge.

For any further questions please consult the conference website (www.dewey2016.co.uk) or contact the conference administrator at [dewey2016@educ.cam.ac.uk].