

AGEING – not only a biologically defined phase of life, but as social practice also part of a cultural system. Conceptualized like this, age(ing) can be understood as a processual unit whose meaning will only become apparent by analyzing a multitude of actors and their actions. It is such a perspective, clearly belonging to the cultural sciences, that manages to do justice to both the biographical and cultural as well as the biological diversity of age(ing), while at the same time paving the way for a description and analysis of these factors. Put like this, age(ing) constitutes a relational category that evades essentialist definitions and demands an investigation of the different relational forms of age(ing) in their respective contexts. This is what the conference “Age(ing) in Relations” takes as a starting point to focus on patterns, practices, and materialities of age(ing), and in doing so, taking cultural beliefs, everyday actions, and material manifestations into consideration as well. What lies at the heart of this conference, then, is the question of what a cultural anthropological perspective on age(ing) could be. Guided by this question, the contributors explore the various fields and forms of age(ing) in both empirical ethnographical as well as historical and discursive manners of fashion, presenting methodological approaches, theoretical stances, and analytical perspectives on age(ing) in the process. The conference welcomes the discussion of these diverse views on systems, practices, and materialities of age(ing) and encourages the positioning of a cultural anthropological study of age(ing).



Registration

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Conference Venue

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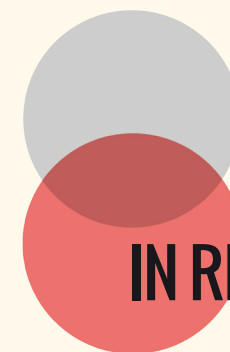
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AGEING IN RELATIONS

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ab 14.00h

Arrival and Registration

14.30h - 15.00h

Sabine Kienitz und Cordula Endter Hamburg
Opening and Introduction

15.00h - 16.00h

Keynote I: Patterns

Harm-Peer Zimmermann Zürich
De-Thematise Age

16.00h - 16.30h

Break

16.30h - 18.30h

Session Patterns I

Rebecca Niederhauser Zürich
"I Cannot Define Age." Everyday Realities of Age(ing) in the In-Between: Fathoming an Ethnographic Dispositif Analysis of Youthful Age(ing)**Elena Fronk** Maastricht

Contemporary Accounts of Love in Later Life in Online Dating 50+

Gerrit Herlyn Hamburg

"Too Old to Die Young." Practices of Biographically Rendering Youth Cultural Experiences

16.30h - 18.30h

Session
Materialities I**Anamaria Depner** Heidelberg
"What do I bring to a Nursing Home – and What Happens to the Things Left Behind?" Contributing to a Situative Reassessment of Things**Carolin Kollwe** Heidelberg

New Technologies in Gerontological Care: Perspectives of the Cultural Sciences

Maria Keil Berlin

Age(ing) Horizontally or a Bed Without Peace

ab 18.30h

Get together

09.30h - 10.30h

Keynote II: Practices

Klaus R. Schroeter Olten
Doing Age: One Facet of Realizing Age(ing)? – Designs of Age(ing) Between the Poles of Activation and Self-Limitation

10.30h - 11.00h

Break

11.00h - 13.00h

Session Practices I

11.00h - 13.00h

Session
Methodological
Approaches

13.00h - 15.00h

15.00h - 17.00h

Session Patterns II

17.00h - 17.30h

17.30h - 18.30h

Lecture

18.30h

Amy Clotworthy Copenhagen

Empowering a Community: Exploring Health Promotion Initiatives and Elderly Citizens' Everyday Practices of Health

Tiina Suopajarvi Oulu

Ageing in a Smart City: Producing Knowledge on Ageing in Collaborative Workshops

Kamilla Nørtoft Copenhagen

Moving to a Nursing Home – a Family Negotiation

Barbara Ratzenböck Graz

"Walking Interviews" as a Method of Investigation for Senior Women's Media Practices

Anna Symanczyk Hamburg

On Ideas of Age(ing) in Sound – Practices of Product Sound Design

Lena Eckert/ Silke Martin Weimar

Cinematic Designs of Desire, Body and Age(ing)

*Lunch***Tina Denninger/ Silke van Dyk** München/ Kassel

The Government of Age in the Aktivgesellschaft. On Social Orders of Age and their Practical (Everyday) Acquirements

Irene Götz/ Alexandra Rau München

Precarious Retirement. Work and Lifestyle of Senior Women.

Anna Richter Kassel

Appreciative and Depreciative Experiences in Eastern German Senior Women's Biographical Narratives

*Break***Aagje Swinnen** Maastricht

Arts and Dementia: An Ethnographic Study of the Alzheimer's Poetry Project in the New York Memory Center.

Panel Discussion

Ageing Research between Science and Praxis. Approaches and Perspectives

19.30h

*Evening at your free disposal/
Program Offering*

09.30h - 10.30h

Keynote III:
Materialities

10.30h - 11.00h

11.00h - 13.00h

Session
Materialities II

11.00h - 13.00h

Session Practices II

13.00h - 14.00h

Gudrun M. König Dortmund

The Patina of Fashion. Artificial Ageing and the Materiality of Things

*Break***Anne-Kathrin Hoklas** Berlin/Lüneburg

Of Magic Eyes and Undesirable Ear Plugs: On the Reconstruction of Age-Specific Orientations and Practices by the Example of Using Audio Technologies for Music Listening

Esther Gajek Regensburg

Taking Care of, Looking After and Patching Up. The Handling of Clothing as an Indicator of the Wearers' Age.

Anne Leonora Blaakilde Copenhagen

Socio-Material Analyses of Radio Listening in a Life-Course Perspective

Larissa Pfaller/ Mark Schweda

Erlangen-Nürnberg/ Göttingen

"So What Is Really Going to be for My Best?" Anti-Ageing as Ritualized Self-Care

Martin Schultze Berlin

Age(ing) and Masculinity – The Narrative Negotiation of Prostate Cancer Patients' Experiences of Illness in Germany.

Désirée Bender/ Cornelia Schweppe

Mainz

"Dementia at the Beach" and "Plenty of Sex." Doing-Age(ing) in Transnational Spheres: Restive and Emotionally-Motivated Ageing Practices of Senior Citizens in Thailand.

Conclusion and Future Prospects

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