Centre for Research in New Music CeReNeM Seminar and Workshop Schedule 2019–20

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Introduction

The 2019–20 CeReNeM seminar/workshop series will feature the following five topic areas/strands:

Listening to Technology [AB, AH, PAT] (8 -29 October 2019) New Music and Social Change [RA, AC, KW and guests] (5 November – 10 December 2019) **C21 Form** [MB, AC] (21 January – 11 February 2020) Reflecting on Creative Practice [PT] (25 February – 3 March) Research on Music as Sound [RA, MC] (10 March – 24 March)

The seminars and workshops combine theoretical and practical approaches and cover a wide range of philosophical, artistic, and technical topics. They are designed to provide supporting content to the independent research work of the postgraduate students of CeReNeM. While they are not assessed classes, staff will generally require students to complete reading and listening assignments in preparation for class meetings. (Assignment and preparation information will be given via Brightspace.) These sessions will be held in a reasonably informal seminar format, with class discussion and informal student-led presentations serving a central role. As interactive discussion/debate is integral to these sessions, it is important to complete all assigned reading/listening/viewing in advance of the seminars.

Attendance at the seminars/workshops is expected of CeReNeM MA by Research students. PhD students are strongly encouraged to participate in the sessions and may in some cases be required by their supervisors to attend. One of the primary goals of the CeReNeM course structure is to encourage interaction between students of various disciplines (performance, composition, computer music, sound art, improvisation, musicology, etc.) and various backgrounds and experience levels, so the more student participation we have, the more rewarding the seminar sessions will be.

Our **New Music and Social Change** seminar series is intended to address a series of 'grand challenge' issues, in the company of university researchers and guest speakers. These sessions will span the entire afternoon, with the aim of giving space for wider discussion involving everyone present. Details: http://speculationsinsound.com/speculations-3social-change/.

Additionally our programme includes two 'Open Space' afternoon slots intended to allow the student body to curate discussions on themes of the moment. All CeReNeM students will be invited to submit discussion themes in advance, in the hope of capturing concerns of pressing interest.

Additional opportunities

CeReNeM Colloquium

The CeReNeM Colloquium meets in most weeks from 4.30–6.00 (RSG/01) and features presentations on creative/scholarly work by staff, students, and guest lecturers, typically with a format of informal presentations of scores/recordings interspersed with discussion/questions. The sessions are designed to be open and conversational rather than formal lectures, and discussion and supportive feedback are central to the aims of the sessions. The Colloquium also provides an opportunity to disseminate information about upcoming concerts, workshops, etc., and is occasionally used to discuss larger professional/career concerns (opportunities for summer programmes, advice on job or residency applications, etc.). Attendance for CeReNeM students on the MA by Research route is required, and PhD students are expected to attend the sessions whenever possible.

Creative Coding Lab

The Creative Coding Lab is a hub for acoustics, audio technology and musical research activities that involve coding, and is led by Dr Alex Harker. The CCL embraces work in audio and/or visual specific languages (e.g. Max / SuperCollider / Processing) as well as more generic programming languages (e.g. C / C++ / python).

The CCL Meets are meetings (roughly fortnightly) for presentations/discussions about coding practices and staff, postgraduate and undergraduate projects, along with presentations by external guests. These sessions are open to all students and staff to attend. To stay informed of the CCL Meets (including dates and venues) and other activities please sign up to the google group at https://groups.google.com/forum/#!forum/uoh-creative-coding-lab

Concerts/Performance Workshops

This year features an exciting series of concerts and workshops hosted by CeReNeM and includes numerous visiting soloists and ensembles of international renown. Each of the visiting artists will perform pieces by CeReNeM's postgraduate Composition students alongside works by more established composers, and some of the guests will also contribute to the seminar/guest lecture series. Additionally, many of the guest performers will be available to offer coaching sessions for our Contemporary Music Performance students and will give workshops and reading sessions for undergraduate composers.

Thursday afternoon PGR seminars

A second strand of PGR activity takes place on Thursday afternoons and is open to all postgraduate students, with a focus on musicology, performance, and popular music, embracing the activities of the Centre for Music, Culture & Identity (CMCI) and the Research Centre for Performance Practices (ReCePP). This includes a weekly guest lecture at 3:15pm, to which everyone is warmly welcome. Full schedules for the Thursday events are available on the MMT PGR pages on Brightspace https://brightspace.hud.ac.uk/d2l/home/10067.

edges ensemble

The edges ensemble is open to all students on music and music technology courses—undergraduate and postgraduate. The ensemble performs a potent mixture of text scores, graphic scores, quasi-notated scores and improvisation. Members perform traditional and non-traditional instruments alike, acoustic and amplified, pitched and noise-based, big and small, ranging from cello and clarinet to conches and clicks. Over the past few years edges have performed regularly in Huddersfield venues, as well as in Sheffield and London, and have also featured on a number of CDs on the 'another timbre' label. The only rule is: you can only be in it if you want to be in it. If you don't like it don't stay in it! But you're very welcome to come a give it a try! In the autumn term the ensembles is working on Yoko Ono's *Grapefruit* for a performance at the Huddersfield Contemporary Music Festival. Rehearsals on Fridays, 1:15-3:00pm.

Term 1

week 1

1 October Induction/Introductions (new students)

RA et al.

14.45 - 16.15 (RSG/01)

week 2

8 October Listening to Technology Virtual Sound Mapping of Teotihuacan, Mexico: Technologies in Ancient

Instrument Reconstruction and the Sonification of Archaeological Sites

14.15 - 16.05 (RSG/01)

Colloquium: Dr Larry Goves (RNCM): From Performer Coordination as a Compositional Parameter

to Projecting Text: The Sonic, Physical and Visual

16.30 - 18.00 (RSG/01)

10 October Concert: Philip Thomas plays The Solo Music of Morton Feldman

17.30 – 18.30 (St Paul's): a selection of early pieces

20:00 - 21:30 (St Paul's): Triadic Memories

week 3

15 October Listening to Technology The Sound of Recording and Playback

PAT

AΗ

14.15 - 16.05 (RSG/01)

Colloquium

16.30 - 18.00 (RSG/01)

week 4

22 October Concert: Richard Emsley for piano 13

13:15 (St Paul's)

Listening to Technology The Sound of the Studio

14.15 - 16.05 (RSG/01)

Colloquium: Richard Emsley and Jorge Gomez: Richard Emsley's Computer-Assisted

Composition Programme and Practice

16.30 - 18.00 (RSG/01)

24 October Research seminar: Thomas Buckner 'Performing Robert Ashley'

15:15 - 16:45 (RSG/01)

Concert: Thomas Buckner sings music by Robert Ashley

19:30 (St Paul's)

week 5

29 October Listening to Technology Making Use of Your Golden Ears for the Greater Good

AH/PAT

14.15 – 16.05 (RSG/01)

Colloquium: Dré Hočevar 16.30 – 18.00 (RSG/01)

week 6

5 November New Music and Social Change 'Nasa Releases Stunning Snapshot Of The World On Fire'

Tim Rutherford-Johnson, AC, RA

14.15 - 18.00 (RSG/01)

week 7

12 November New Music and Social Change Migration, Borders and Statelessness

Alyson Frazier (Play for Progress), Almir Koldzic and Dijana Rakovic (Counterpoint Arts)

14.15 - 18.00 (RSG/01)

week 8 >> hcmf//

15 – 24 Nov Huddersfield Contemporary Music Festival

For full programme see https://hcmf.co.uk/2019-programme/.

19 November CeReNeM Talk: Cat Hope

12.00 - 13.00 (RSG/01)

week 9

26 November New Music and Social Change The Crisis of Ecologies and Climate

Joseph Browning (University of Oxford), KW

14:15 - 18:00 (RSG/01)

week 10

3 December New Music and Social Change Disability and Access

Claire Docherty (Sonic Bothy), Laurie Stras (University of Huddersfield)

14.15 - 18.00 (RSG/01)

week 11

10 December

New Music and Social Change Genders, Sexual Identities and Queerness

Jennifer Torrence (Norwegian Academy of Music), Lisa Colton (University of Huddersfield) 14.15 – 18.00 (RSG/01)

week 12

17 December

OPEN SPACE: discussion curated by students

14.15 - 18.00 (RSG/01)

Term 2

consolidation week

14 January

MA Progression Meeting

MB et al

required for all CeReNeM MA by Research students

14.15 – 16.15 (RSG/03)

week 13

21 January

C21 Form

tbc

14.15 - 16.05 (RSG/01)

Colloquium: Georgina Born (University of Oxford)

16.30 - 18.00 (RSG/01)

week 14

28 January

C21 Form Intensive Forms and the Death of the Parameter – Melody, Noise and the Musicalised Body

AC

14.15 - 16.05 (RSG/01)

Colloquium: Anna Meredith

16.30 - 18.00 (RSG/01)

week 15

4 February

C21 Form Technologies of Dissemination – Tierra Whack, #FakeNews, and the Hillary Clinton Emails

AC

14.15 - 16.05 (RSG/01)

Colloquium: Colin Frank 16.30 – 18.00 (RSG/01)

week 16

11 February

C21 Form Forensic Architecture, Asymmetric Warfare, and the *Fortnite* World Cup – What is the Space Beyond the Network?

AC 14.15 – 16.05 (RSG/01)

Colloquium: Hakan Ulus 16.30 – 18.00 (RSG/01)

week 17 >> reading week

19-23 Feb

Electric Spring Festival

Electric Spring is our annual festival of electronic music. The 2020 festival features concerts by Lauren Redhead & Alistair Zaldua, Louise Rossiter, Emma Margetson, Weston Olencki, and Leafcutter John, plus performances and installations by CeReNeM postgraduates, various guest lectures/workshops, the annual CCL Symposium, and ModularMeets. More details at www.electricspring.co.uk.

week 18

25 February

Reflecting on Creative Practice

14.15 - 16.05 (RSG/01)

Colloquium: Dejana Sekulic

16.30 - 18.00 (RSG/01)

week 19

3 March

Reflecting on Creative Practice

14.15 - 16.05 (RSG/01)

Colloquium

16.30 - 18.00 (RSG/01)

week 20

10 March

Research on Music as Sound Perspectives from TaCeM and IRiMaS (i)

MC/RA

PT

PT

14.15 – 16.05 (RSG/01)

Colloquium: James Weeks 16.30 – 18.00 (RSG/01)

12 March

Concert: Plus-Minus Ensemble

19:30 (St Paul's)

13 March Workshop: Plus-Minus Ensemble

13:15 - 15:15 (RSG/01)

week 21

17 March Research on Music as Sound Perspectives from TaCeM and IRiMaS (ii)

MC/RA

14.15 - 16.05 (RSG/01)

Colloquium: Linda Jankowska

16.30 - 18.00 (RSG/01)

19 March Workshop: Juice Vocal Ensemble

tbc (RS1/14)

week 22

23 March Concert: Richard Craig

19:30 (St Paul's)

24 March Workshop: Richard Craig

08:15 - 10:15 and 12:15-14:15 (Phipps Hall)

Research on Music as Sound Perspectives from TaCeM and IRiMaS (iii)

MC/RA

14.15 - 16.05 (RSG/01)

Colloquium: Irine Røsnes 16.30 – 18.00 (RSG/01)

week 23

21 April OPEN SPACE: discussion curated by students

14.15 - 18.00 (RSG/01)

week 24

28 April MA by Research Year-end research presentations

MB/AC et al.

submission of portfolio work-in-progress

14.15 - 16.15 (RSG/03)

Colloquium: Heather Roche and Scott McLaughlin

16.30 - 18.00 (RSG/01)