

Social practice theory (SPT) reading group agenda 2017

NEW Venue: RMIT City Campus, Building 15, Level 3, Room 3 (the 'Figtree Room')

Date: 3rd Wednesday of the month, starting 15 February 2017

Time: 12:30-2pm (BYO lunch)

Conveners: Cecily Maller & Yolande Strengers

February	Revisiting theories of practice
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Key reading: Rouse, J. (2007). 'Practice theory', *Philosophy of Anthropology and Sociology*. M. W. Risjord. Amsterdam, North-Holland, pp. 639-681.

March	Sociomateriality and matter
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Key reading: Gherardi, S. (2017) 'Sociomateriality in posthuman practice theory', in: *The Nexus of Practices: Connections, Constellations, Practitioners* (Eds. Hui, A., Schatzki, T. R., Shove, E.), Routledge, Abingdon Oxon UK, pp.38-51.

Additional reading: Shove, E. (2017). 'Matters of practice', in: *The Nexus of Practices: Connections, Constellations, Practitioners* (Eds. Hui, A., Schatzki, T. R., Shove, E.), Routledge, Abingdon Oxon UK, pp. 155-168.

April	People, places and cycling practices
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Guest facilitator: Rorie Parsons, PhD candidate, School of Architecture, Planning and Landscape, Newcastle University, UK

Key reading: Jonas, L. (2016) 'The making of a pro-cycling city: Social practices and bicycle mobilities', *Environment and Planning A*, 0(0), pp.1-17.

Additional readings:

- Aldred, R. and Jungnickel, K. (2013) 'Matter in or out of place? Bicycle parking strategies and their effects on people, practices and places', *Social & Cultural Geography*, 14(6), pp. 604-624.
- Aldred, R. and Jungnickel, K. (2014) 'Why culture matters for transport policy: the case of cycling in the UK', *Journal of Transport Geography*, 34(0), pp. 78-87.
- Cass, N. and Faulconbridge, J. (2016) 'Commuting practices: New insights into modal shift from theories of social practice', *Transport Policy*, 45, pp. 1-14.
- Latham, A. and Wood, P.R.H. (2015) 'Inhabiting infrastructure: exploring the interactional spaces of urban cycling', *Environment and Planning A*, 47(2), pp. 300-319.
- Nettleton, S. and Green, J. (2014) 'Thinking about changing mobility practices: how a social practice approach can help', *Sociology of Health & Illness*, 36(2), pp. 239-251.

- Spotswood, F., Chatterton, T., Tapp, A. and Williams, D. (2015) 'Analysing cycling as a social practice: An empirical grounding for behaviour change', *Transportation Research Part F: Traffic Psychology and Behaviour*, 29(0), pp. 22-33.

May	Digital engagements and food practices
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Guest facilitator: Tania Lewis, Professor and Deputy Dean Research, School of Media and Communications, RMIT University

Key reading: TBC

June	Communities of practice
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Guest facilitator: Rikke Jensen, PhD Candidate, Research center for Socio-Interactive Design Department of Computer Science, Aalborg University, Denmark

Key reading: Wenger, Etienne (2000), 'Communities of Practice and Social Learning Systems', *Organization*, Vol 7, Issue 2, pp. 225-246, doi: 10.1177/135050840072002

Additional readings:

- Cox, Andrew (2016), 'What are communities of practice? A comparative review of four seminal works', *Journal of Information Science* Vol 31, Issue 6, pp. 527-540.
- Persson, John Stouby (2013), 'The cross-cultural knowledge sharing challenge: An investigation of the co-location strategy in software development offshoring', *International Working Conference on Transfer and Diffusion of IT*. Springer Berlin Heidelberg.

July	Practice methodologies
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Key reading: Schmidt, R., 'The Methodological Challenges of Practicising Praxeology' in: *Practice Theory and Research: Exploring the Dynamics of Social Life*, (Eds. Spaargaren, G., Weenink, D., Lamers, M.), Routledge Abingdon Oxon UK.

August	Using practices to understand vulnerability
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Guest facilitator: Larissa Nicholls, Research Fellow, Centre for Urban Research, RMIT University

Key reading: Jackson, P. & Meah, A. (2017): Re-assessing vulnerability to foodborne illness: pathways and practices, *Critical Public Health*, DOI: 10.1080/09581596.2017.1285008

September	Practice theory and practice change approaches in agriculture
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Guest facilitator: Lauren Rickards, Senior Lecturer, School of Global, Urban and Social Studies, RMIT University

Key reading: TBC

October	Emotions and affect
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Key reading: Reckwitz, A. (2017) 'Practices and their affects', in: *The Nexus of Practices: Connections, Constellations, Practitioners* (Eds. Hui, A., Schatzki, T. R., Shove, E.), Routledge, Abingdon Oxon UK, pp. 114-125.

Additional reading: Weenink, D. Spaargaren, G. (2016) 'Emotional agency navigates a world of practices', in: *Practice Theory and Research: Exploring the Dynamics of Social Life*, (Eds. Spaargaren, G., Weenink, D., Lamers, M.), Routledge Abingdon Oxon UK.

November	TBC
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December	Situating the everyday
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Guest facilitator: Nicola Spurling, Lecturer in the Theories and Methods of Social Futures, Institute for Social Futures and Department of Sociology, Lancaster University, UK

Key reading: Trentmann, F. (2012) *The Politics of Everyday Life* in F. Trentmann (Ed.) *The Oxford Handbook of the History of Consumption*, Oxford University Press.