Philosophy of the City Summer Colloquium 2019: Urban Aesthetics
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Joint event organized by Philosophy of the City Research Group &
International Institute of Applied Aesthetics (IIAA), University of Helsinki, Lahti

University of Helsinki (FIN)
Scandic Lahti Hotel, Lahti 17. & 18.6.2019 &
Univ. of Helsinki City Centre Campus, Helsinki 19.6.2019

Monday, June 17, 2019
Location: Scandic Lahti Hotel

08:30 Registration
09:15 Opening
09:30 Keynote: Arto Haapala (Univ. of Helsinki): Aesthetically Bewildered? Problems for a
Contemporary Urbanite
10:30 Manuela Valtchanova (& Roger Paez): The Aesthetics of Accident. Architecture of the
action for an entropic city
11:30 McKay Holland: White Cities, Moral Purity, and the Aesthetics of Belonging in
America
12:30 Lunch
13:30 Adam Andrzejewski (& Mateusz Salwa): What is an Urban Atmosphere?
14:30 Jules Simon: The Socially Transformative Aesthetics of Street Culture: from Walter
Benjamin’s One-Way Street to the Passagen-Werk
15:30 Coffee break
16:00 Piotr Szczepanski: Reading the City - The Role of Paul Ricoeur’s hermeneutics in
cultural urban studies
17:00 Henrik Pathirane: From the Corner of My Eye: Negative Aesthetics, Otherness, and
the Hermeneutic Attitude in Urban Everyday Life
19:00 Visit & reception, the City Hall of Lahti
Tuesday, June 18, 2019
Location: Scandic Lahti Hotel

08:30 Alexandra Dias Fortes: Aldo Rossi: “My Architecture stands mute and cold”
09:30 Daniela Liguori: Grünbein’s “Lob des Taifuns”: Phenomenology of metropolitan Aesthetics
10:30 Break
10:45 **Keynote**: Saara Vauramo (City of Lahti): Is the personal aesthetical experience the driving force for sustainability transition of a city?
11:45 Osman Nemli: Fuck the Polis: Rancière, Hip-Hop, and An Aesthetic Reimagining of the City
12:45 Lunch
13:45 Andrea Baldini: Street Art, Decorum, and the Politics of Urban Aesthetics
14:45 Filip Šenk: Topology and phenomenology of space and place in architecture
15:45 Coffee Break
16:15 David Jenkins: Urban Aesthetics of Sociability
17:15 Neli Dobreva: Citizens and urban space: developing new forms of living together in the eco-logical city
c. 19:00 **Train (50min.) to Helsinki** (more information coming later)

Wednesday, June 19, 2019
Location: HELSUS Hub Lounge, Porthania building (Yliopistonkatu 3, 2nd floor), University of Helsinki City Centre Campus

09:00 Matti Tainio: The Challenge with Urban Darkness
10:00 Sage Cammers-Goodwin & Michael Nagenborg: From Footsteps to Data to Art: Seeing (through) a Brigade
11:00 **Keynote**: Harpa Stefansdottir (NMBU): Aesthetic agenda in research into urban planning
12:00 Lunch
13:00 Vesa Vihanninjoki: Afforded Experiences in their Places
14:00 Tea Lobo: Urban Kin/aisthesis and Urban Affordances
15:00 Jonathan Maskit: Shared Space: The Politics of Planning, the Technology of Movement, and the Aesthetic Possibilities of Public Space
16:00 Coffee break
16:15 Ryan Wittingslow: From Beauty to Utopia: Kantian Aesthetics and the Politics of Space
17:15 Helena Teräväinen: Discussing Different Aesthetic Experiences
18:15 Closing of the conference
19:00 **Conference dinner** (separate fee, more information coming later)

Last update: April 29, 2019. Program is subject to change.