

**ACTIVE CITIZENSHIP IN THE DIGITAL AGE**  
Department of American Literature and Culture  
School of English  
Aristotle University of Thessaloniki, Greece

***Pre-symposium Workshops***  
***Thursday November 30<sup>th</sup>, 2023***

**Venue: ROOM 308B**

(School of English, Faculty of Philosophy, New Building, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor)

**Workshop a: 12:00- 13:30**

**Title:** Digitality and environmental awareness

**Moderator:** Vicky Karanika

(Aristotle University of Thessaloniki/3<sup>rd</sup> Primary School in Polygyros)

**Workshop b: 13:45-15:15**

**Title:** Re-imagining our lived space with Twine

**Moderator:** Evgenia Kleidona

(Aristotle University of Thessaloniki)

***International Symposium: December 1-2, 2023***  
***Day 1 – Friday December 1, 2023 [Onsite/Online]***

**Venue: Amph. 3**

(Aristotle University Research Dissemination Center, September 3, University Campus)

**10:00-10:45 SYMPOSIUM REGISTRATIONS**

**10:45-11:00 WELCOME REMARKS**

**11:00-11:45**

**Chair:** Zoi Detsi

(Aristotle University of Thessaloniki)

**Title:** **Active Citizenship and Historical Awareness in Twenty-first Century American Drama and Theater: José Rivera's *Brainpeople* and Naomi Wallace's *The Fever Chart: Three Visions of the Middle East***

**Speaker:** Konstantinos Blatanis

(The National and Kapodistrian University of Athens)

**11:45-12:30**

**Chair:** Lydia Roupakia

(Aristotle University of Thessaloniki)

**Title:** **Interrogations in Human Exceptionalism: Literary and Digital Readings in/for *Natureculture***

**Speaker:** Sophia Emmanouilidou

(Aristotle University of Thessaloniki)

**12:30-13:00 COFFEE BREAK**

**13:00-14:45 WORKSHOP**

**Title:** Online Commentary with 2<sup>nd</sup> Primary School in Karystos & Locative Media for Civic Engagement Workshop  
**Moderator:** Vasileios Delioglanis  
(2<sup>nd</sup> Primary School in Karystos/Independent Researcher)

**14:45-15:15 COFFEE BREAK**

**15:15-16:00**

**Chair:** Maria Poulaki  
(Aristotle University of Thessaloniki)  
**Title:** From Print to Digital: from Digital to Print  
**Speaker:** Kate Pullinger  
(Bath Spa University)

**16:00-16:45 ROUNDTABLE WITH EDUCATORS**

**Chair:** Despoina Feleki  
(Aristotle University of Thessaloniki/ Primary School in Neo Rysio)  
**Title:** Active Citizenship in the Digital Age  
**Speakers:** Nikolaos Amanatidis  
(Educational Consultant, Northern Greece)  
Elsa Plakida and Elpiniki Psomataki  
(Arsakeio Primary School, Thessaloniki)  
Vasileios Delioglanis  
(2<sup>nd</sup> Primary School in Karystos/Independent Researcher)  
Vicky Karanika  
(Aristotle University of Thessaloniki / 3<sup>rd</sup> Primary School in Polygyros)  
Evgenia Kleidona  
(Aristotle University of Thessaloniki)

**16:45-17:00 Q&A & CONCLUDING REMARKS – CLOSING OF DAY 1**

**Day 2 – Saturday December 2, 2023 [ONLINE]**

**14:00-14:30 PLATFORM OPENS – ATTENDEES LOG IN**

**14:20 WELCOME REMARKS**

**14:30-15:15**

**Chair: Sophia Emmanouilidou**  
(Aristotle University of Thessaloniki)  
**Title: Augmenting Environmental Activism: Exploring the Intersections of Digital Practice and Civic Engagement**  
**Speaker: Ingrid Gessner**  
(University College of Education Vorarlberg in Feldkirch)

**15:15-16:00**

**Chair: Georgios Dimitriadis**  
(Aristotle University of Thessaloniki)  
**Title: Active Citizenship and VR Cinema**  
**Speakers: Maria Poulaki**  
(Aristotle University of Thessaloniki)  
**Tina Bastajian**  
(Amsterdam University College, Department of Humanities)

**16:00-16:15 BREAK**

**16:15-17:00**

**Chair: Konstantinos Blatanis**  
(The National and Kapodistrian University of Athens)  
**Title: Embodied Approaches to Democracy in the Digital Sphere**  
**Speaker: Danae Theodoridou**  
(Fontys University of Applied Sciences/Aristotle University of Thessaloniki)

**17:00-17:45**

**Chair: Domna Pastourmatzi**  
(Aristotle University of Thessaloniki)  
**Title: Persistent Engagement in a Digital Culture of Transaction: Civic Media, Proximal Belonging, and the Future of Civic Agency**  
**Speaker: Paul Mihailidis**  
(Emerson College)

**17:45-18:00 BREAK**

**18:00-18:45 INTERVIEW**

**Chair:** **Despoina Feleki**  
(Aristotle University of Thessaloniki / Primary School in Neo Rysio)  
**Lydia Roupakia**  
(Aristotle University of Thessaloniki)

**Speaker:** **Sangita Shresthova**  
(University of Southern California)

**18:45-19:30**

**Chair:** **Tatiani Rapatzikou**  
(Aristotle University of Thessaloniki)

**Title:** **“Art, Activism, + Digital Culture”**

**Speaker:** **Rachel Moore**  
(Executive Director at The Current, Center for Contemporary Art in Stowe, VT)

**SYMPOSIUM ENDS**

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Tatiani Rapatzikou

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Arsakeio Primary School, Thessaloniki  
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1<sup>st</sup> Junior High School, Pylea, Thessaloniki  
2<sup>nd</sup> Senior High School, Mikra, Thessaloniki  
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