



DEM'ARTS : creation, democracy and digital media

Cross-disciplinary seminar

The DEM'ARTS research project focuses on the relationship between the arts and democracy through the prism of pragmatism and new technologies. It involves questioning the theme of artistic creation in order to promote a democratic and shared conception of the arts through the digital platforms. Digital art makes it possible to pursue the central political challenge of a pragmatist aesthetic, which is to ensure that meaningful aesthetic experiences are open and accessible to the widest possible audience. The seminar will examine the place of digital technology in the development of the arts from a pragmatic angle. The idea is to study the evolution and democratization of the arts through the digital environment, as well as its effects and risks in various cultural fields: plastic arts (visual and non-visual), dance, theater, music, architecture, design, cinema, photography, performance... By transcending traditional dichotomies (theory/practice, knowledge/technology, action/idea, fact/value, body/spirit), the aim is to develop a concrete approach to the relationship between the arts, philosophy and the digital.

- October 8, 2024 **Sandra Laugier and Yann Toma** « Pragmatism, democracy and post-creation »
- October 15, 2024 **Philippe Codognet** « Experimenting AI through Digital Arts »
- November 14, 2024 **Lev Manovich** « 'Make it New': AI, Modernism, and Database Art »
- November 26, 2024 **Armando Menicacci, Cécile Proust and Jacques Hoepffner** « Dance, technology, and democracy »
- February 4, 2025 **Yuriko Saito** « The Art of Housework: Promises and Challenges of Digital Technology »
- March 11, 2025 **Indiana Collet Barquero, Fabrice Cotinat and Jessie Derogy** « Nouvelles Gestualités »
- March 25, 2025 **Francesca Ferrando** « Arts, posthumanism and democracy »

Schedule : 6-8 PM Paris time

Venue: the seminar is hybrid

In person: Salle 6 of the Centre Panthéon
12 place du Panthéon, 75005 Paris

By videoconference: Join us on Zoom

Scientific team

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