

SMI Plenary Conference (24-26 June 2022, online)

Welcome

The Society for Musicology in Ireland and the Department of Music at University College Cork are delighted to welcome you to our annual plenary conference via Zoom from 24-26 June 2022. Life in Ireland now seems to be returning swiftly to in-person gatherings; we made the decision, however, to hold our conference online for several reasons. An online conference means we're able to offer twenty panel sessions featuring almost sixty papers that will be presented from eight different time zones. And while I understand the want for things to return to normal and share the desire for in-person intellectual connection and exchange, I also accept that pre-pandemic normal did not work for everyone. The pandemic has forced critical conversations on topics including accessibility, stability/precarity, solidarity, care, and climate justice—to name but a few. Perhaps the pandemic is, in Arundhati Roy's words, "a portal, a gateway between one world and the next." Inspired by intersectional feminist work like Roy's, I hope to use this opportunity to walk through that portal, ready to imagine—and fight for—the kinds of thinking/feeling/musicking worlds and futures we'd like to build. I do hope you'll join us!

Emily Gale, SMI Conference Chair 2022

Preliminary Programme

The preliminary programme is available to view [here](#).

Setting Up Your Zoom Software

All of the conference sessions will take place via Zoom. Take some time before the conference begins to set up your software for the best possible experience.

For everyone:

- **Please do not post Zoom links anywhere online or share them with others.**

If you are presenting a paper:

- open Zoom's **Preferences** menu and click on **Settings**. Select the **Audio** menu; tick the checkbox for **Show in-meeting option to "Enable Original Sound."**
- when it is time to present your paper, remember to click the **Turn on Original Sound** option that is now visible in the upper-left hand corner of the meeting window; otherwise, turn this option off.
- after clicking the **Share Screen** icon, please remember to check the **Share sound** and **Optimize for video clips** options prior to sharing.
- your video or slides should be pre-loaded and ready for presentation, with volume set to around 75% capacity. Don't forget to enter **Full Screen** mode prior to beginning your paper!

For delegates attending sessions:

- please post your questions in the chat box throughout the paper or click on the raise hand icon during the Q and A session.
- feel free to have your camera on OR leave your camera off. Cameras on can be nice, but there are lots of good reasons why that might not be possible. Do what works for you in your present situation.
- mute your microphone when you aren't speaking. This will help us to avoid feedback and additional background noises that become draining after many hours online.

- use headphones if they are available to you. This will also help us to avoid problems with feedback and echo and it will improve your own listening experience.

Code of Conduct

The SMI Plenary Conference organizing committee wishes to cultivate an inclusive and safe environment for learning about and sharing research. We acknowledge the legacies of structural inequality embedded in cultural institutions and recognize that participation in academic and conference spaces has been shaped by systemic exclusions—from gender, race, ability, and class to career status and care work. Shifting the culture requires actively challenging the status quo; as part of these efforts, we ask our community to work together to uphold the following:

- Be considerate, respectful, collaborative, and generous in all interactions. The chat space accompanying Zoom rooms can be a great space for greeting, connecting, sharing knowledge, and links to resources.
- Be aware of your privileges; listen to and prioritize the voices of those typically marginalised in academic discussions.
- The conference language is English; be mindful that English is not the first language of many delegates. Please phrase comments carefully, accept corrections with humility, and be considerate of language differences.
- Refrain from intimidating, discriminatory, harassing, or demeaning behaviour (see below).
- Unacceptable behaviour includes: intimidation, bullying, harassment, discrimination, derogatory or demeaning conduct pertaining to age, gender, sexual orientation, race, language, disability, physical appearance, and religion.

By registering for the conference, you agree to uphold these principles to the best of your ability. If you feel that anyone breaks this code of conduct, please report it to the conference organising committee. This will be kept confidential and we will do our best to address and resolve concerns.

We look forward to welcoming you and engaging in enjoyable discussions!