

CALL FOR PROPOSALS

Art in Translation is a biannual conference to be held for the second time in 2012. Hosted by the Vigdís Finnbogadóttir Institute of Foreign Languages at the University of Iceland, this three-day event includes keynote speakers, a concert, an exhibition, and other program highlights alongside scholarly papers and artistic presentations. The aim of Art in Translation is to serve as an interdisciplinary forum for academics, artists, and members of the public to explore the connections between language and various art forms.

The 2012 conference seeks to address new trends in creative writing, particularly in its connections with other art forms and its role in unifying the arts. The conference features several keynote speakers and special guests and also invites proposals from scholars, professionals, and students from a wide range of disciplines (art, music, film, and literary history and theory, as well as linguistics, translation, anthropology, cultural studies, education, and other relevant fields). Equally welcome are proposals for papers or presentations from practitioners in any field in the arts.

Possible topics include, but are not limited to, the following:

- New currents in creative writing
- Translating creative writing between languages and across cultures
- Alternative methods of text presentation; new textual forms
- Use of text in visual art
- Artists' writing and artist books
- Graphic novels
- Visual adaptations of text through theater or film
- Musical setting of poetry
- Ekphrastic poetry and other writing inspired by art
- Aesthetic challenges in translating one form of art to another
- The "death of the author" in the digital age
- The role of writers' workshops in contemporary literature
- Experimental readings; performance of text

Submission Guidelines

Abstracts should be no longer than 500 words. All proposals must clearly state the presenter's name, academic/professional affiliation, mailing address, phone number and email address. Presentations will be 20 minutes in length and will be in English.

Proposals should be sent to artintranslation@hi.is no later than November 30, 2011. Decisions will be announced by January 15, 2012.

Participants are responsible for their own travel and accommodation costs, as well as a registration fee (60 €/students 45 €).

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