

**Jagiellonian University  
Institute of Slavonic Studies  
Kraków, Poland**

***“Slavic Pleasures 2: Crossing Boundaries”, Cracow 27-29 October 2016***

Dear Professors and Colleagues,

We are pleased to invite you to participate in the second international conference “Slavic pleasures: Crossing Boundaries”. The meeting will be held at the Jagiellonian University in Cracow on 27-29 October 2016.

The conference is a continuation of idea of last year's symposium "Small pleasures: Slavic Catalogue". This edition is a response to strong interest expressed by the participants and their desire to continue meetings not as biennale, but annually in the proposed formula interdisciplinary, as an alternative to the traditional in slavistics division on literature, linguistics, anthropology of culture, history and so on.

The previous conference was a kind of reconnaissance. This time we propose a more precise topic – the title “Crossing boundaries” can be treated in fact as a source of pleasure, as an end of pleasure, as a norm and as a deviation from the norm, as a rule and as an exception, as an imperative, as a ban etc.

We expect, that the conference will become a pretext for a discussion on the nature and cultural determinants of boundaries. We are interested in the crossing boundaries as a process / state. This might be crossing borders, overcoming space – travel, (e)migration, but also problems, signed with this metaphor issues from different orderliness, like: crime, vice, offence, exploit, sin, taboos, kitsch, achievement, career, altered states of consciousness, interaction, interculturality, memory, transfer, transgression, transcendence and others.

This invitation is addressed mainly to slavists, but very welcome will be also all researchers, who deal with Slavic studies from no-Slavic perspectives. All methodological – general theoretical – suggestions are welcome, too.

We would like to dedicate this conference to our master and friend professor Julian Kornhauser, on the occasion of his 70th birthday.

Practical tips:

1. The Conference will be held in Cracow, in the very center of the town – more detailed information on the place of conference will be delivered with prior evaluation of attendance and pre-qualification of entries.
2. The conference fee is PLN 400 for researchers and PLN 200 for Ph.D students. The proceeds from fees shall be used for financing conference materials, coffee-breaks,

a ceremonial dinner and publishing the speeches presented. The fee does not include, instead, the costs of board and accommodation. The organizers do not act as hotel booking agents, either. (although, some subjective information on accommodation establishments will be published soon). Detailed information on the bank account and payment deadlines will be sent after preliminary acceptance of the topics submitted.

3. Deadline to submit entries: **30 August 2016**. Please perform your registration via email on the application form at the address: [smallpleasures2015@gmail.com](mailto:smallpleasures2015@gmail.com)
4. Entries from Ph.D students will be accepted on condition they provide a recommendation from their research advisors (we accept scans or email messages from the advisors as well)
5. Time of speech: 15-20 minutes (+discussion)
6. As regards post-conference materials, the organizers reserve the right to refuse to print any works which do not comply with the editorial requirements, have been sent after the deadline or negatively marked by the reviewers.

Sincerely,

Organizers: Elżbieta Solak, Barbara Popiołek, Bojana Todorović