

## **DPR6: Talking Truth to Power**

The 6<sup>th</sup> Conference of the Discourse, Power, Resistance Series

**25 – 27 March 2007**

**Manchester Metropolitan University**

Geoffrey Manton Conference Centre

**Keynote speakers:**

**Stephen Ball – Fazal Rizvi – Vandana Shiva**

‘What is truth?’ is a question claimed with equal confidence as the province of theology, philosophy and the natural sciences. It was old before Pontius Pilate asked it two thousand years ago; but his weary scepticism chimes with contemporary thinking that truth is always relative, and normally related to power – so that truth claims should always be treated with suspicion.

Who knows the truth, and how do they find it? Who tells the truth and how do they tell it? In words? In images? In deeds? In silences? Who talks truth to power? Can anyone talk or show truth on behalf of others?

DPR continues to draw on the insights of the creative and performing arts. The 2007 conference will take advantage of the superb exhibition and performance spaces offered by the Geoffrey Manton Building. We hope that creative and performance artists will help to show the way.

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We encourage a range of presentations: papers, posters, symposia and workshops, together with work for exhibition and presentations in the visual and performing arts. Exhibitors will be encouraged to lead discussion of their work. Proposals should be in the form of abstracts of between 150 – 250 words, making clear the intended format of the presentation. Abstracts should be submitted in Word format via disc or email, to [dpr@mmu.ac.uk](mailto:dpr@mmu.ac.uk)

Information on the conference will be posted on the website at:

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**Call for papers - Friday 12 January 2007**

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