

Andy Merrifield

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Andy Merrifield is a writer, social theorist and urban geographer with a PhD in Geography from the [University of Oxford](#). He has taught at assorted universities in the UK and USA and is now in Cambridge. Merrifield is co-editor (with [Erik Swyngedouw](#)), of *The Urbanization of Injustice* (1995) and author of eight books, including *Metromarxism* (2002), *Dialectical Urbanism* (2002), *Guy Debord* (2005), *Henri Lefebvre: A Critical Introduction* (2006), *Magical Marxism* (2011) (which was shortlisted for the 2012 [Bread and Roses Prize](#)), and most recently, *The Politics of the Encounter: Urban Theory and Protest under Planetary Urbanization* (2013). While here he's working on the next, on Hausmanisation. More at <http://www.bartlett.ucl.ac.uk/research/visiting-research-fellows>

Seminar series Urban theory and protest: from collective consumption to predatory dispossession

This is intended as a stimulus and support to the research of postgraduate students, and perhaps some advanced undergraduates, in all parts of the Bartlett and UCL Urban Lab, who find Merrifield's work stimulating.

The seminar will take place each week from 1500h to 1700h on Wednesdays, from 29 January until the end of term and should provide opportunities for participants to share their ideas and discussions. Location may vary from week to week and will be announced soon.

This blog post elaborates on the subject matter which will be at least the starting point of the series:

<http://occupywallst.org/article/theory-thursday-why-we-must-demand-rent-tax-parasi/>

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