

**First call for submissions:**

**The 2<sup>nd</sup> Public Engagement and Performance Conference**

**Date: 18<sup>th</sup>/19<sup>th</sup> March, 2016**

**Venue: The Conference Centre, YHA York**

This is an interdisciplinary conference that provides a supportive forum to share, discuss and learn about diverse approaches to performing research and engaging the public. Last year's conference drew delegates from fields as diverse as Anthropology, Clinical Trials Research, Counselling & Psychotherapy, Dance, Drama, Education, Health & Social Change, Nursing, Sport & Exercise Science, and Business Management & Marketing.

Our aim once again is to bring together people from across the arts, humanities and social sciences who are at various stages of the research process, and with different levels of expertise and experience. Our purpose is to support, present, develop, and foster greater awareness around engaging the public through research [re]presentations that are ethically sensitive, relevant, timely, and imaginative.

Full details are available at: [www.engageyork2016.org.uk](http://www.engageyork2016.org.uk)

If you would like to get a feel for the conference, click this link to see delegates discuss last year's conference: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Jlbc916GIY0>

**4 Ways to Participate:**

**1. Submit in-progress research/ideas** for the opening workshop which provides an opportunity to discuss different communication and dissemination strategies including arts-based and performative methodologies. The workshop will provide an opportunity to draw on the expertise of our panel and other delegates to explore: ethical challenges in performative research; practical solutions to public engagement challenges; questions relating to specific projects. This participation route is ideal for those new to public engagement and performance who would like to develop potential ways of disseminating their work: <http://engageyork2015.org.uk/programme/workshops/>

**2. Submit a performance to the evening showcase.** This provides an opportunity to showcase finished projects/performances in a supportive and public setting: <http://engageyork2015.org.uk/programme/public-engagement/>

**3. Submit a paper or conference presentation** on any issue concerning public engagement and performance (e.g., community participation, autoethnography, evaluation criteria): <http://engageyork2015.org.uk/programme/present-a-paper/>

**4. There is no requirement to present or perform!** If you are interested in any or all of the above and would simply like the opportunity to question, watch and be informed you would be very welcome. Please register as a delegate here: <http://engageyork2015.org.uk/registration/>

If you have any questions or queries please contact the administration team by emailing [info@engageyork2015.org.uk](mailto:info@engageyork2015.org.uk)