The First International Queer Death Studies Conference: Death Matters, Queer(ing) Mourning, Attuning to Transitionings
Karlstad University, 4-5 November 2019

Monday, November 4th

8:00 – 08:30  Registration
Place: Aula Foajén

08:30 -09:15  Opening remarks
Place: Aula Magna

09:15 - 10:40  Keynote
Patricia MacCormack (Anglia Ruskin University, UK)
Embracing Death, Opening the World
Place: Aula Magna

10:40 – 11:00  Coffee Break
Place: Transformum

11:00 – 12:30  Parallel Sessions:
Stream 1 - Panel 1, room 1D226: Posthumanising death/life ecologies
Stream 2 - Panel 2, room 1D327: Decolonising death/questioning necropolitics
Stream 3 - Panel 3, room 1D 328: Queering mourning/decolonising grief
Stream 4 - Panel 4, room 1D340: Queering life/ death thresholds
Stream 5 - Panel 5, room 1D341: Queering death from the perspective of posthuman embodiment

12:30 - 14:00  Lunch
Place: Solsta Inn

14:00 – 15:25  Keynote
Stine Willum Adrian (Aalborg University, DK)
Stitching Stories of Broken Hearts: Rethinking technologies of Death and Dying at the Beginning of Life
Place: Fröding

15:25 – 15:45  Coffee break
Transformum
15:45 – 17:15  **Parallel Sessions:**

**Stream 1 - Panel 6, room 1D226:**
Posthumanising death/life ecologies

**Stream 2 - Panel 7, room 1D327:**
Decolonising death/questioning necropolitics

**Stream 3 - Panel 8, room 1D328:**
Queering mourning/decolonising grief

**Stream 4 - Panel 9, room 1D340:**
Queering life/death thresholds

**Stream 5 - Panel 10, room Fröding:**
Queering death from the perspective of posthuman embodiment

17:15 – 18:30  **Reception**
Place: Aula Foajén

Welcome speech

“Silence Equals Death”: a queer performance and reading by Seroconversion.

Launch of the special issue Queer Death Studies: Coming to Terms with Death, Dying and Mourning Differently in the Journal Women, Gender & Research.

19:30 – 22:00  **Dinner** (self-paid)
Place: Restaurant Olssons Bazar, In the city Inre hamn

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**Tuesday, November 5th**

08:30 – 10:00  **Parallel Sessions:**

**Stream 1 - Panel 11, room 1D226:**
Posthumanising death/life ecologies

**Stream 2 - Panel 12 room 1D327:**
Decolonising death/questioning necropolitics

**Stream 3 - Panel 13, room 1D328:**
Queering mourning/decolonising grief

**Stream 4 - Panel 14, room 1D340:**
Queering life/death thresholds

**Stream 5 - Panel 15, lecture hall Fröding:**
Queering death from the perspective of posthuman embodiment

10:00 – 10:20  **Coffee break**
Place: Transformum
10:20 – 11:45  
**Keynote**
C. Riley Snorton (Cornell University, USA),
*Mud: Queer Death and Teeming Forms of Wildlife*
Place: Fröding

11:45 – 13:30  
**Lunch**
Place: Solsta Inn

13:30 – 15:00  
**Keynote**
Kira O’Reilly (artist and researcher, Helsinki, FI),
*An un’seaming mourning (second iteration)*
*a year later*
Place: Fröding

15:00 – 15:20  
**Coffee break**
Place: Transformum

15:20 – 16:50  
**Parallel Sessions:**
Stream 1 - Panel 16, room 1D226:  
Posthumanising death/life ecologies
Stream 6 - Panel 17, room 1D327:  
Rethinking taboos on death, gender and sexuality
Stream 7 - Panel 18, room 1D328:  
Queering un/grievability
*Stream 8 - Panel 19, room Fröding:  
Queering afterlife, absence and spirituality*

16:50 – 17:45  
**Closing remarks**
Place: Fröding