

Medieval English Theatre 2023
Bodies, Embodiment and Early Theatre
Saturday 1 April 2023, University of Birmingham

Registration is now open for METH 2023 using the link below:

<https://www.birmingham.ac.uk/schools/edacs/departments/english/events/2023/medieval-english-theatre-conference-bodies-embodiment-and-early-theatre.aspx>

The deadline for registration is **9th March 2023**. **We are unable to accept registrations after this date.**

The conference fee, which includes lunch, tea and coffee, is £30 for METH Society members, £40 for non-members.

Postgraduates: the first two current postgraduate students to register for the conference will have their fees refunded by METH. If you are a postgraduate student, please email the conference host, Dr Olivia Robinson o.robinson.2@bham.ac.uk, to let her know that you have registered.

The conference programme will be circulated shortly.

Conference dinner

The conference dinner will, as usual, take place on the Friday night *before* the conference (31 March) and is not included in the registration fee. More information about venue and price will be circulated nearer the time; for now, please indicate on your registration if you would, ideally, like to attend.

Travel to conference venue (Alan Walters Building G11)

The conference will be held on the **Edgbaston Campus** of the University of Birmingham (B15 2TT; i.e. not in Birmingham city centre). This is a short (10 minutes) train ride (or a slightly longer bus ride, no. 61 and 63) from the city centre (New Street Station). You can find more information about travel here: <https://www.birmingham.ac.uk/contact/directions/getting-here-edgbaston.aspx>. There is a large taxi rank at New Street, for those thinking of taking a taxi (I'd imagine in the region of £10-15). There is an app that you can download with a map of Campus on: <https://www.birmingham.ac.uk/contact/directions/index.aspx>. This website also contains an onscreen map (click 'open fullscreen'). The Alan Walters building is in the red part of Campus on this map, in the middle on the right as you look at it, behind Muirhead Tower and opposite the Teaching and Learning Building. The University station is in grey, over on the left; it is about a 7 minute walk from the station to the conference room itself. If you come in on the bus from town, it will deposit you on the Bristol road, opposite Sport and Fitness (in orange on the map, bottom right). Likewise, a taxi could drop off here at the main entrance, or up at the North Gate (both of which are about 5 minutes on foot

from Alan Walters). Please note that the route from Bristol road/Sport and Fitness to the main campus gate is (appropriately) up a steep hill.

Accommodation

There are many hotels in and around the city centre of Birmingham. If you are considering taking the train, anything around New Street would be convenient. There are also frequent trains from Five Ways station, which has several big hotels within walking distance. Finally, there is a University-owned hotel on Campus called The Edgbaston Park Hotel (website: <https://www.edgbastonparkhotel.com/>; very top right of the campus map in green). This is a very short walk directly to the conference venue, so it is the most convenient option. However, it's not the cheapest. I should also say that Birmingham UCU members are currently (I believe) on a boycott of the EPH because it does not pay all of its staff the living wage. I mention this because some attendees who are fellow UCU members might feel that it is important to take that into account; others, of course, may not wish to, or may have circumstances to consider which override that. Please be reassured that everyone's accommodation choices will be treated with respect and consideration.

Conference information, registration and the programme are also available on the METH website: http://medievalenglishtheatre.co.uk/meet_2023.html.