



Centre for Feminist Research Public Lecture Series

trans* politics, trans* materialities: producing space/time

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What is the relationship between trans*, politics, and the material? How do trans* embodiments produce time and space? How does trans* produce new frameworks for politics?

Situating the argument in the context of the shift from trans to trans-/trans*, simpkins theorizes trans* outside the normative boundaries of subjectivity and identity/identification. He argues that trans* both produces and is a product of creative evolution, where individually embodied, biological processes of self-organization at the cellular level are linked directly to self-organizing processes at the socio-political level. Here, trans* politics take place not in terms of identities/identification or subjectivity, but in terms of a fundamental politics of materiality that generates both space and time.

About reese simpkins

reese simpkins is a Visiting Scholar at the CFR and in the Sexuality Studies Program. His PhD is in Political Science (York University 2012) and his book, *trans* matters, trans* assemblages: becoming and politics*, based on his dissertation is forthcoming. His current research project is “trans* self-organizing (autopoiesis): material embodiment and the production of space/time.”

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