

## The Sociology of Arts Study Group are seeking a new co-convenor

The study group provide an intellectual home and meeting point for those studying the arts and culture from a variety of sociological perspectives. From fine and popular art forms, to design, fashion, architecture, and digital aesthetics, the arts (broadly understood) play a central role in everyday contemporary life as well as how society comes to see itself. Within and through these artforms, shared meanings, relationships, lives, and political movements, and representation of the past are built. This raises questions of artistic and cultural meaning, value, labour, and representation, as well as the inherent power dynamics in such, all of which sociology is well equipped to address.

Through online and in-person seminars, a newsletter, mailing-list, and conference organisation, this study group exists to foster a scholarly community for those who think sociologically with and about the arts. The study group is particularly interested in fostering the PGR community in the field and will hold special events to do so. Our PGR Rep makes sure that the study group serves the needs of PGRs.

While specific roles are often negotiated within the team of Convenors, tasks and responsibilities can include:

- Organising occasional events/workshops, online or in person
- Maintaining the Study Group mailing list with JISCMail
- Liaising with the BSA, including writing a short annual report outlining Study Group activities
- Representing the study group at BSA Study Group meetings

Besides these duties, the new co-convenors will be able to propose and introduce new initiatives which further the aims of the Study Group and represent the interests of its members. The Convenor role is open to academics of any career stage and Early Career Researchers are encouraged to apply. Convenors must be BSA members and maintain their membership for the duration of their tenure in the role.

Further information can be found here: <a href="https://www.britsoc.co.uk/groups/study-groups/sociology-of-the-arts-study-group/">https://www.britsoc.co.uk/groups/study-groups/sociology-of-the-arts-study-group/</a>

Convening this Study Group does not involve a heavy time commitment. Convenors decide what events and activities to organize for the membership, and divide the work up between them. Please email <a href="mailto:enquiries@britsoc.org.uk">enquiries@britsoc.org.uk</a> to express interest, including a short biograph and what you could bring to, and how you might benefit from the role by **15 December 2025.** 

Please note: The call may close early if all positions are filled before the deadline.

Looking forward to hearing from you!