

London: Aspects of Change

Spatialising London gentrification 60 years after Ruth Glass



THURSDAY 4 JULY

19-22 Charlotte Rd, EC2A 3SG



6-8pm Evening Talk
Chaired by Anna Minton

Loretta Lees

**A Gentrification Stage-Model for London?:
through the 'looking Glass' of Kensington**

Professor Loretta Lees is the Director of the Initiative on Cities and a Professor of Sociology at Boston University. An urban geographer committed to justice, Professor Lees is internationally known for her research on gentrification and urban regeneration, global urbanism, urban policy, urban public space, and urban social theory. In 2017, she was recognized as the 17th most referenced author in urban geography worldwide and the only woman in the top 20. Before moving to Boston University to serve as Faculty Director of the Initiative on Cities, she was professor of Human Geography at Leicester University and before that King's College London in the UK.

FRIDAY 5 JULY

Garrison Chapel, SW1W 8BG

8:30-9am Registration

9-9:30am Keynote

Andrew Harris

"A word of hypnotic nastiness": revisiting early 'gentrification'

Dr Andrew Harris is an Associate Professor in Geography and Urban Studies at UCL. He is an urban geographer interested in a wide range of topics related to cities and urban life but primarily around the role of art, creativity and culture in recent processes of urban restructuring, and on vertical geographies of contemporary cities. His research often centres on recent urban transformations in London, including work on art districts, high-rise urbanism, culture-led urban regeneration, and suburban landscapes.



9:30-11am History of London's gentrification

Gareth Millington, Sharda Rozena, Matthew Hardy — Chaired by Stephane Sadoux

Coffee

11:30-1pm Markets as community hubs

Gimin Lee, Charlotte Creux, Susan Parham — Chaired by Sydney Ayers Mercer

Lunch

2-2:30pm Keynote

Martin Phillips & Darren Smith

Ruth Glass and the Conception of Gentrification in London: Aspects of Change



Professor Martin Phillips is Professor of Human Geography at University of Leicester. He has research interests in rural social and cultural geography, society/environment relations, historical geography, and philosophy and social theory in geography. Much of his work focuses on material and symbolic constructions of rural space, particularly linked rural gentrification.

Professor Darren Smith is Professor of Geography at Loughborough University. For the last four decades, his work has investigated the growing links of changing places and social conflicts between different social groups and institutions, fuelling the rise of more exclusive, segregated, and transient societies. He coined the term studentification to conceptualise processes of change within university towns and cities, and opposition to the growth of student populations and the expansion of higher education.



2:30-4pm Housing & Arts

Alexander Vasudevan, Felix Loftus, Caitlin Colquhoun, Charlotte Gould — Chaired by Anton Olive-Alvarez

Coffee

4:30-6pm Resistance

Marie-Pierre Vincent, Robert Deakin, Emma Ezvan

SATURDAY 6 JULY

Garrison Chapel, SW1W 8BG

8:30-9am Registration

9-11am Housing & Policy 1

Magali Peyrefitte, Andrew Wallace, Sara Rodriguez, Paul Watt — Chaired by David Fee

Coffee

11:30-1pm Housing & Policy 2

Piero Corcillo, Tahl Kaminer, Habiba Jelali — Chaired by Mike Raco

Lunch

2-2:30pm Keynote

Jonathan Reades

Counting the cost of gentrification? The contribution of secondary data and quantitative methods to our understanding of neighbourhood change

Dr Jon Reades is Associate Professor of Spatial Data Science and, since 2023, Director and Head of Department at CASA, UCL's prestigious Centre for Advanced Spatial Analysis. Jon's research brings together a passion for understanding cities, a commitment to rigorous inter-disciplinary investigation, and skills in data analytics and computational methods, to tackle fundamental questions in economic geography and neighbourhood change in new ways.



2:30-4pm Quantifying & Mapping Gentrification

Adam Almeida, Becky Tunstall, Nacima Baron — Chaired by Yolande Barnes

Coffee

4:30-6pm Roundtable Thematic Discussion

Chaired by Loretta Lees