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Call for papers for Special Issue:

LEISURE, SPACE, AND SOCIAL CHANGE

The Guest Co-editors are encouraging papers for a special issue of *Leisure/Loisir* examining the relationship of leisure to social change and the spaces where leisure occurs. We are viewing social change broadly, including change related to personal self-discovery and growth, as well as relationships to community and society. Examining leisure through the lens of space encourages us to bring our projects together in new and different ways. For example, how is social change fostered (or hindered) in the spaces that are the “traditional” centreposts of leisure and recreation, such as parks, wild areas, or community centres? And, what of leisure in spaces less often considered, such as in the more private, hidden, or relatively closed spaces like sports clubs, institutional settings, or self-constructed retreats? Our hope is that these thematic elements, when brought together, will open up new possibilities for innovative, conceptual frameworks and new research relationships.

We invite papers from a broad range of approaches. Examples might include (but are not limited to):

- Theoretical explorations of leisure-space relations
- Place and space meanings and relationships
- Disciplinary, resistant, or transgressive spatial structures and practices
- Therapeutic spaces and landscapes
- Issues related to public leisure space, access, and/or mobility
- Leisure space and political activism/engagement
- Intersections of space and race, class, and/or gender
- Applications of spatial concepts, frameworks, and/or metaphors to leisure
- Pedagogical issues related to space, social change, and knowledge in the classroom

In particular, we encourage authors to engage directly with notions of space and social change in their work.

Authors are requested to submit electronically an abstract with the maximum of 1,000 words to the one of the Guest Co-editors **before August 15th, 2009**. Abstracts should have appropriate sub-headings and make clear linkages with the theme of the special issue. Based on these abstracts, the Guest Co-editors will contact authors for a full-version of a manuscript due by **January 31, 2010**, authors are requested to submit electronically a full-version of a manuscript at which time all papers will undergo the standard double-blind review process. Publication of the issue is expected in late 2010 or early 2011. Manuscripts should follow the guidelines for contributors to *Leisure/Loisir*: <<http://www.unbf.ca/kinesiology/leisure/journal/evolution/leisureinfo.html>>

We welcome informal enquiries regarding topics and submissions for this special issue. Interested authors should direct questions and submit abstracts to any one of the Guest Co-editors:

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