



# EXTREME MUSIC

Hearing and Nothingness

December 1-2, 2016 at University of Southern Denmark (SDU)

The research group The Performances of Everyday Living at SDU Odense is pleased to announce the conference **EXTREME MUSIC - HEARING AND NOTHINGNESS**. The research presented should suggest, explore and examine the respects in which music be may be transgressive, provocative or alien; are there respects in which some music challenges us to the point that it may even prompt questioning as to the very nature of music? We would like to emphasize that the research presentations will deal with the notion of extreme music in relation to a wide variety of musical genres. The conference is a cross-disciplinary endeavor. We welcome presentations from the perspectives of philosophy, musicology, marketing, media studies, medicine, acoustics, theology, literary studies, music pedagogy, semiotics, sociology, linguistics, religious studies, anthropology, psychology, biology, education studies, music therapy, performance studies and culture studies.

This conference builds upon the momentum initiated and maintained by the spring 2016 series of guest lectures at SDU entitled “Extreme Music” and the international conference entitled “Mind Over Metal: Metal Music and Culture from A Cross-Disciplinary Perspective” held in December 2015 at SDU (see link below). The group’s investigations concerning extreme music thus gained traction while examining extreme metal and related genres - and work regarding this music is very welcome – but this conference also features contributions dealing with the extreme in jazz, opera, classical instrumental music, computer music, electronica, world music – just to name a few examples.

Participation in the conference is free, so join us in Odense!

For registration and regular updates, please see

[www.sdu.dk/extrememusic](http://www.sdu.dk/extrememusic).

### **Important Dates (updated as of September 26, 2016):**

**(Closed)** Deadline for abstract submission.

**September 24, 2016** (12 noon GMT) - Notification of paper acceptance based on double-blind peer review of abstracts.

**October 5, 2016** (12 noon GMT) – Deadline for confirmation of participation from those whose abstracts have been accepted. Please also register online [here](#).

**October 14, 2016** (12 noon GMT) – Submission deadline for final version of abstract, short biography and photo for inclusion in conference booklet both online and in print

**November 14, 2016** (12 noon GMT) – Registration deadline for conference participation without paper as well as conference meet-and-greet, and the two conference dinners (price level for each ca. 20€ or less). Online registration [here](#)

**November 30, 2016** Participants arrive in Odense. 19-21: meet-and-greet at Hotel CabInn.

**December 1-2, 2016** Conference at University of Southern Denmark (SDU); conference dinners.

### **Other Practical Information:**

We, the organizers, are very aware of the dire funding situation at many universities these days, so we have striven to put this conference in reach of potential conference participants around the world, even if they are self-funded.

**Transportation:** By acting early, you can get very good deals on flights to Denmark. The roundtrip train ticket from the Copenhagen costs 590 Danish crowns (ca. 79€), a one-way seat reservation 4€ (and a good idea on arrival). The bus trip to the university from the hotel(s) takes about 20 minutes and costs 20 Danish crowns (ca. 2.70€).

#### **Lodging:**

1) 25 Economy rooms have been reserved at the Hotel Cabinn in Odense for arrival on November 30 and departure on December 3. CabInn is located right next to the train station in Odense and to the bus stop for the university. An Economy room-single costs 570 Danish crowns (ca. 76€)/night including breakfast; an Economy room-double costs 775 Danish crowns (ca. 103€) including breakfast. **When booking with CabInn on <https://www.cabinn.com/en/> refer to the ID number for our block of rooms = 109347.** Participants will settle bills individually at the hotel.

2) Another lodging alternative is the DanHostel youth hostel, which is also located right next to the train station. Please see <http://odensedanhostel.dk/en/> for information and booking.

**Dining:** There are quite a few reasonably priced restaurants within walking distance of CabInn and DanHostel and a number of fast food venues in the Odense train station. Breakfast is included in the room prices given above at CabInn. Lunch at the university is in the neighborhood of 5€. As indicated under “Important Dates” in the foregoing, we are arranging evening meals November 30-December 2 for ca. 20€ each evening (registration online at [www.sdu.dk/extrememusic](http://www.sdu.dk/extrememusic), paid for individually at the venues).

**Welcome to *Extreme Music – Hearing and Nothingness*, to SDU and to Odense!** You can get a good idea of what you can look forward to at [mompics.soundmusicresearch.org](http://mompics.soundmusicresearch.org), a photo album from last year’s conference, *Mind over Metal: Metal Music and Culture from A Cross-Disciplinary Perspective*.

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