

## Special Issue

# Metamorphosis in the Arts (c.500-c.1700)

### Message from the Guest Editor

This Special Issue considers the phenomenon of metamorphosis within oral traditions, literary genres, and the visual and theatrical arts dating from approximately 500 to 1700. Contributors are invited to submit articles examining the role of metaphysical transformation within the interplay of contexts—social, sacred, geographical, political, economic, and intellectual—in which they originated, were re-imagined, and/or developed across time. We hope to assemble research relevant to a broad range of mythical, folkloric, and religious/spiritual transformations; subjects may include, for example, shapeshifters and human–animal hybrids (e.g., kitsune, selkies, werewolves, and Fafnir), enchanted objects and their enchanters, witches, and demons with the power to transform themselves or others.

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