Special Issue

The Past, Present and Future of Fan-Fiction

Message from the Guest Editors

Fanfiction as a cultural practice has rapidly evolved in recent years, from a community based form of social interaction to a globally recognised form of narrative world-building. Once a niche genre of writing, shared mainly within small communities as a way to express emotional connections with popular media texts, fanfiction is now viewed as a means to create new content that extends and builds on those texts beyond national and industrial boundaries. This special issue of *Humanities* seeks to explore the new and changing forms of fanfiction and consider the importance of new technologies, social platforms and global audiences in creating new methods of storytelling in a digital world. Suggested topics may include:

- Race, gender and sexuality in fanfiction
- Changing consumption and production practices
- Fan/creator relationships
- Fanfiction beyond the Anglo-American
- Monetisation of fanfiction
- The fanfiction 'industry'
- Fanfiction in/as other formats

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