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Urban Mobility Cultures: Creative and Narrative Approaches to Moving in the City

15-16 January 2026
Padua

Museo di Geografia
Salone degli Specchi, Palazzo Wollemborg, via del Santo 26
San Gaetano Cultural Centre
via Altinate 71

A scientific and public event co-organised with: Mobilities in Literature and Culture Research Centre (University of Surrey) | ALUS (Association for Literary Urban Studies) | CRPM (Centre de recherches pluridisciplinaires et multilingues - Projet Espace, déplacement, mobilité, Université Paris Nanterre) | FRINGE Urban Narratives research network | Progetto Giovani Office of the Municipality of Padua | Spazi Padovani | MA in Landscape Studies (University of Padua)

Programme

15 January

Salone degli Specchi, Museo di Geografia

2:30 PM | Welcome and Greetings

Andrea Caracausi, Head of Department of Historical and Geographic Sciences and the Ancient World

Tania Rossetto, Director of the MoHu Centre for Advanced Studies in Mobility & Humanities

Giada Peterle, WALC - Walking Landscapes of Urban Cultures and Director of the Museum of Geography

2:45 - 5:00 PM | Session 1

chair: Giuseppe Tomasella

Charlotte Mathieson (University of Surrey), *Embodied urban mobilities: a skin-centred approach to moving in the city*

Adrien Frenay (Université Paris Nanterre), *Processions. Narrating the continuous and the discrete*

Gabriele Lazzari (University of Surrey), *Cities and mobilities: rewriting the city through transmedia activism*

5 - 5:30 PM coffee break

5:30 - 6:00 PM | **Dance Moves. Walking and drawing in the city**

Pre-vernissage of the exhibition **WALC!** with artist-researcher **Tânia A. Cardoso** introduces: Giada Peterle

16 January

Salone degli Specchi, Museo di Geografia

10:15 AM | Welcome and warm up greetings!

10:30 - 12:45 AM | Session 2

chair: Tania Rossetto

Patricia García (Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona), *Mobilities of care and fear: literary cities and the contemporary fantastic*

Lucia Quaquarelli (Université Paris Nanterre), *Bodies on the move: what gender of city? Urban walking narratives under the trial of difference*

Lena Mattheis (University of Surrey), *Methods on the move: translocal walking and nonbinary approaches*

12:45 - 2:30 PM Lunch break

2:30 - 4:30 PM | **Imagine walking there**

A guided tour of a **walking-art-exhibition** with Giada Peterle

from the Museum of Geography to the train station area (ca. 4 kilometers accessible route)

6:00 PM | **WALC! Practices and cultures of urban walking**

Exhibition opening at San Gaetano Cultural Centre, via Altinate 71

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