

5th International Forum on *Civilities*:

~ LIVING SPACES ~



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Call for Papers

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The forum

During the last four years, once a year, we have been gathering here in Xalapa, capital city of the state of Veracruz, on the Mexican coast of the Gulf of Mexico, to analyze and to discuss around the general subject matter of *Civility*.

The gathering has been conceived as a small forum, in which a reduced number of scholars present written contributions to the understanding of those forms and ways of living together that give place to the process of civilization, as theorized by Norbert Elias.

The theme: *Living Spaces*

The concept of *Civility*, although present within different social discourses held in Europe before the 16th century, was risen to its status of social hallmark by the *Erasmus' book De Civilitas Morum Puerilium* published in 1530.

The rise of the concept of *Civility* seems to have accompanied the slow differentiation of the spaces of living together. By the beginning of the 16th century, the houses and manor houses of marchants, gentry and land owners had already begun to slowly and roughly differentiate their inner spaces: kitchens, dining rooms, bedrooms, and halls that, with the time, would become the living rooms.

The differentiated interior spaces of European houses begun to be associated not only with differentiated human activities, for

instance, eating and living together, but also with those manners that were socially recommended to perform these activities. *Civility*, as was thought by Erasmus, begun to differentiate manners according to differentiated spaces.

Contents, Extension and Format of the Papers

Papers must be original written contributions, not be published before under any format or mean whatsoever. The length or extension of the writings must be eight pages minimum and fifteen pages maximum, letter paper size, typed in Time New Roman font, size 12, and 1.5 of interline space.

Papers should be accompanied by an abstract of no more than two hundred words, and by a set of maximum five Key Words.

The first page of the paper must indicate the title of the paper, the name of author(s), the institutional adscription and institutional address of author(s), and must also indicate an e-mail address for contact.

Papers should be written according to the format of the e-journal *SubjeCivitas*: www.subjecivitas.com.mx

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*The papers presented in the forum will be published in the e-journal *SubjeCivitas*.

*Abstract reception closing date: March 1st, 2013

*Full paper reception closing date: April 4th, 2013