

The International Association for Comparative Mythology

13th Annual Conference

**Mythology of Metamorphoses:
Comparative & Theoretical Perspectives**

<http://www.compmyth.org>

CALL FOR PAPERS

We are happy to announce that the 13th Annual Conference of the International Association for Comparative Mythology is to be held at the Estonian Literary Museum, Tartu, Estonia on June 10-13, 2019. The conference is organized in collaboration with the Centre of Excellence in Estonian Studies and is joint with the 8th Annual Conference of the Centre of Excellence in Estonian Studies. All members are warmly invited to give a paper and to participate in the discussions.

This year we have the following topics:

1. ***Metamorphoses and transitions in myth***, including but not limited to the following sub-topics:
 - Metamorphosis, shapeshifting, and transformation in myth;
 - Transition and passage in myth and ritual;
 - Thresholds, borders, and boundaries: related myths, characters, and worldviews.

2. ***Theoretical Approaches to Comparative Mythology***, including:
 - New theoretical and methodological approaches in the research of mythology;
 - History of comparative mythology: old and novel approaches, changes in methodology;
 - Mediascapes and digital mythology;
 - New mythologies.

3. A “free topic”, i.e., any other topic you would like to propose/choose for your paper will be considered.

A list of prospective talks will be published on our website.

Please take note of the following:

ABSTRACTS

By **March 1, 2019**, please send, if you intend to participate, a short (300 words or less) abstract of your talk to this address:

iacm.admin@gmail.com

The abstracts will be reviewed by a selection committee; the selected abstracts will be published on our website (<http://www.compmyth.org>)

PAPER LENGTH

The expected paper length is 20 minutes plus 10 minutes discussion.
The language of the conference is English.

The conference is supported by the European Regional Development Fund (Centre of Excellence of Estonian Studies – CEES, TK 145) and is free of charge for the participants, therefore there is NO CONFERENCE FEE. We are asking the participants to pay € 30 (€ 20 for students) to partially cover the conference dinner and reception.

Also, those of you who are not yet official members of IACM, please consider joining the association! The yearly fee is \$40 (it is \$15 for students and members from countries outside North America, Australia, the EU, EEA, Switzerland, and Northeast Asia).

Looking forward to seeing you in Tartu!

Yours,
13th Conference Organizing Committee,
IACM

Payment options:

1. By check or money order made out to International Association for Comparative Mythology.

IACM, Attn. Nataliya Yanchevskaya
Harvard University
Department of South Asian Studies
1 Bow Street
Cambridge MA 02138

However, this will do only for checks in US \$, issued by an American bank. Checks in other currencies will incur hefty exchange fees, so please avoid this: your contribution will entirely be swallowed by bank fees here. Instead, please

use PayPal (see below).

2. By PayPal.

Due to bank fees, it is much better and easier to use PayPal, now available for you at our website. For the conference dinner/reception fees please follow the link below and use the IACM 2019 Conference Dinner button:

<http://compmyth.org/action.php?welcome#>

Membership fee can be paid here:

<http://www.compmyth.org/action.php?membership>

You can directly deposit your amount, without fees for you, and we lose just a nominal amount on this side. In most countries a variety of credit card options or a direct deposit from your bank account are available for payment. Please select your country and wait while your browser refreshes. Then, enter the amount, your personal data, etc. (This is a secure site).

3. Payment in cash can be made onsite, before the beginning of the conference.