

Judith Baxter: Scholar, Researcher and Mentor
Call for Papers

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The Centre for Critical Inquiry into Society and Culture, Aston University
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The work of Professor Judith Baxter has been hugely influential within the field of Applied Linguistics and beyond. Her development of innovative methodologies centred around feminist poststructuralist theory, and the insights she revealed about the language of leadership and the experiences of women leaders, continue to shape the research and working practice of academics and practitioners worldwide. Several key principles lay at the heart of Judith's scholarship: she worked relentlessly to interrogate and disrupt grand narratives, to tease out and value diverse and multiple voices, and to promote positive, transformative change, especially for marginalised groups. She brought these principles to bear in a range of contexts, including not only her academic research, but also her teaching, business consultancy and leadership. This one-day event will commemorate Judith Baxter's achievements, demonstrate her wide-reaching influence, and look forward to the multiple ways in which her legacy will live on, and continue to promote positive change in society, especially for women and marginalised groups.

Presentation format

We invite proposals from individuals who have been touched by Judith's work in some way. Presentations may focus on research or working practice, but we ask that there is a clear focus on Judith's influence as a scholar, researcher or mentor; we would like her voice to be a strong presence on the day. We are open to presentations on diverse topics, delivered in a range of styles and would like to hear from people working in different contexts, at various career stages. We anticipate that each presenter will have 20 minutes for their talk, followed by 10 minutes for discussion, but we are open to suggestions of other formats.

Proposals should be submitted to Jai Mackenzie and Erika Darics at e.darics@aston.ac.uk as a word document or pdf file, and include the following information:

- Title of proposal in bold
- Name of presenter(s)
- Name and address of institution/workplace, telephone and email
- Outline of presentation proposal (maximum 300 words)
- 12pt font, left-aligned, single-spaced

Key dates

- 3rd September 2018 – deadline for submissions
- 14th September 2018 – notification of applicants

Cost of event (including lunch, refreshments and the event programme)

- Full fee - £10
- Concessionary fee - £5

All proceeds from the event will go to Penny Brohn Cancer Care, a charity Judith supported and benefited from.

For more information, please contact Jai Mackenzie and Erika Darics at e.darics@aston.ac.uk