

CON-TEXTS 2023

National Seminar

BEYOND BODY

Speculations and Theorizations in Posthumanism

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The Postgraduate and Research Department of English, Providence Women's College has been actively engaged in curricular, co-curricular and extension activities, expressing its commitment to the goal of empowerment. The Department has also been involved in organising fruitful academic discussions by bringing together eminent literary personalities, scholars and researchers belonging to various disciplines. The seminars, workshops and other discussions arranged by the Department endeavour to instill a keen critical insight and to evolve new perspectives about literature and its different ramifications.

Is the body a means or an end? This seminar aims to explore the nuances of the construct of the 'body' in terms of the vast corpus of thought provoking theorisations and probings and intends to evoke a new interchange of valid responses that would lead us further into pertinent observations. Cultural studies has lately realised that the body emanates meaning in itself. The race, the gender and the basic specificities to a human being's identity is assessed in the scrutiny of one's body. However, the boundaries of the body do not limit the presence of the human being. The pseudo existence of the being beyond body into limitless forms ranging from one's digital space to memories and more is still under explored.

Moving past the philosophical and the biological scheme of humanism, posthumanism explicates that agency is administered through dynamic forces in which humans are just participants. Not possessing idiosyncratic characteristics, humans are envisaged to be part of a larger ecosystem that is ever evolving. The centrality of human existence is attenuated with our confluence with machine. Posthumanism thus embraces philosophical and theoretical positionings that ameliorate the balance between human and non human entities.

We are happy to invite you to the National Seminar on *Beyond Body: Speculations and Theorizations in Posthumanism* on 10th February, 2023, a one-day venture organized by the PG & Research Department of English, Providence Women's College, Kozhikode.

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- Transhumanism
- Posthuman Cinema
- Posthuman Ecology
- Posthuman Ethics
- Memory Studies
- Digital Humanities
- Posthuman Technology
- Body, Posthuman and the Self
- AI, Cyborg and Science Fiction
- Prosthetics and Disabled Bodies
- Posthuman Culture
- Race, Identity and Representation in the digital era



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IMPORTANT DATES

13TH JANUARY, 2023

Abstract Submission

15TH JANUARY, 2023

Paper approval announcement

25TH JANUARY, 2023

Full paper deadline

