The Past in the Present: Grizedale Arts and a New Cultural Ecology in the Lake District



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Researching Grizedale Arts, Cumbria

Research contexts

Research questions

Research methods



HOME, the new venue for Cornerhouse and Library Theatre, Manchester. Opening early 2015.

A new cultural ecology?

A place where 'no one needs art'

From spectatorship to usefulness

The 'absorbed institution'

Coniston village and the Coniston Institute, Cumbria











The past in the present

Historical thinking/reflexive practice

Adapting Ruskin for the 21st century



John Ruskin in his Study at Brantwood, W.G.Collingwood, 1882

What next?

- Research on the understanding and uses of the past in cultural practice:
 - with Grizedale Arts
 - AHRC Cultural Value project 'Learning from the Past' (Sept 2013-Feb 2014)
- Companion film, revealing the processes of filming at Grizedale Arts

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