Please join us in Bristol, United Kingdom, for Appearance Matters 10, the 10th international multi-disciplinary conference hosted by the Centre for Appearance Research.

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Registration and abstract submission are now open!

Conference registration and abstract submission are OPEN!

You can submit your abstracts online.

The closing date for abstract submissions is 1 October 2023.

Early bird registration closes on 7 February 2024.

The final date for late breaking research poster abstracts is 1 March 2024.

You are able to register for the conference via UWE Bristol’s Online Store. For more information on the registration, visit the conference website.

The VTCT Foundation is pleased to offer members of the Appearance Collective charities financial assistance to attend and exhibit at AM10. For more information about this opportunity, please contact Amanda Shepard: amanda.shepard@vtctfoundation.org.uk.

Early Career Researcher Scholarship

We are pleased to announce the Dr Emma Halliwell Early Career Researcher Scholarship to support an outstanding early career researcher who does not have access to funds to enable them to attend and present at the conference.

This scholarship is in memory of our dear friend and colleague, Emma Halliwell, whose inspirational work advanced the field of body image and passion for encouraging students inspired many to pursue a career in psychology.

The scholarship will cover complementary conference registration, conference dinner and attendance at a training workshop. It will also include funds towards accommodation and travel costs (£600 for UK based applicants, £800 for EU based applicants and £1,200 for non-EU based applicants).

Early career researchers can apply for the scholarship here. For more information about eligibility criteria, please visit the Appearance Matters 10 Conference Scholarship page.

The scholarship application will open on 1 August 2023 and close on 1 October 2023, 23:59 London time (GMT).

Where to stay in Bristol

We have put together some accommodation options suiting a wide range of budgets and needs, all within walking distance of the conference venue! Accommodation is likely to book up quickly in June, so we advise you to book early to avoid disappointment. Some of our top picks are below:
Harbour Hotel Bristol (4 stars)
Location: 53-55 Corn Street, Bristol, BS1 1HT
Distance from conference venue: 700m (9-minute walk)
Price per night: from £185.00

Hotel du Vin Bristol (4 stars)
Location: The Sugar House, Narrow Lewins Mead, Bristol, BS1 2NU
Distance from conference venue: 700m (9-minute walk)
Price per night: from £159.00

The Bristol Hotel (4 stars)
Location: Prince Street, Bristol, BS1 4QF
Distance from conference venue: 650m (8-minute walk)
Price per night: from £155.00

Beech House Serviced Apartments (4 stars)
Location: 6 St Paul’s Road, Clifton, Bristol, BS8 1LT
Distance from conference venue: 1km (13-minute walk)
Price per night: from £140.40

ibis Bristol Centre (3 stars)
Location: Explore Lane, Bristol, BS1 5TY
Distance from conference venue: 400m (5-minute walk)
Price per night: from £103.75

Spacious & Modern Apartment in the City Centre
Location: Bristol Old City/City Centre
Distance from conference venue: approx. 1km (13-minute walk)
Price per night: from £100.00

Brooks Guesthouse Bristol (4 stars)
Location: St Nicholas Street, Bristol, BS1 1UB
Distance from conference venue: 700m (9-minute walk)
Price per night: from £95.20

Travelodge Bristol Central (3 stars)
Location: Anchor Road, Bristol, BS1 5TT
Distance from conference venue: 500m (6-minute walk)
Price per night: from £82.99

YHA Bristol Hostel
Location: 14 Narrow Quay, Bristol, BS1 4QA
Distance from conference venue: 550m (7-minute walk)
Price per night: from £49.00
The Hamilton musical is coming to Bristol!

The award-winning Hamilton musical will be visiting the Bristol Hippodrome in 2024! While this is not an experience specific to Bristol, it might be something to consider before or after the conference. Make sure to book your tickets while they last!

Hamilton is the story of America’s Founding Father Alexander Hamilton, an immigrant from the West Indies who became George Washington’s right-hand man during the Revolutionary War and helped shape the very foundations of the America we know today. The score blends hip-hop, jazz, blues, rap, R&B and Broadway – the story of America then, as told by America now.

The Hamilton musical is the winner of 11 Tony Awards including Best Musical, 7 Olivier Awards, the 2016 Pulitzer Prize for Drama and the 2016 Grammy Award for Best Musical Theatre Album.
Appearance Matters: The podcast

Our podcast explores the world of appearance; presenting new insights and advances in research, as well as perspectives from researchers, clinicians, charities and organisations, and individuals affected by appearance-related concerns. Check out our Appearance Matters 9 Keynote by Professor Esther Rothblum, titled ‘Being seen: Queer appearances’, which taps into appearance issues among LGBTQ+ communities.

Listen now

Subscribe now on Apple Podcasts, SoundCloud, or Spotify, and please leave a rating and review!

Help us spread the word!
We are excited to see you at Appearance Matters 10 and are keen to extend the invitation to new delegates. Please forward this email to colleagues who might be interested in learning about the latest progress in body image and appearance research in a stimulating and welcoming environment.

**Keep in touch with CAR**

If you want to keep in touch with the Centre for Appearance Research, you can follow us on our social media accounts, where we discuss all things related to body image and appearance – check out our Instagram, Facebook and Twitter pages.

For more information on the conference, please visit the Appearance Matters Conference website.

**We look forward to seeing you in June 2024 for Appearance Matters 10!**