**Ageing, Sexualities and Place**

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How do we understand the relationships between sexualities, spaces and places in a context of ageing? Such work, to date, has been limited within geographies of sexualities. Research into demographic intersections within geographies of sexualities has tended to focus on gender, race and ethnicity. Where age has been considered, the focus has been on youth. But we now live in an ageing world, particularly in the Global North, which has serious implications for configurations of space and access to resources. Ageing is therefore a critical challenge in the contemporary world. This is equally true for LGBTIQ+ people, perhaps especially so given the ‘youth focus’ of many queer cultures. How do LGTBIQ+ people experience ageing, particularly in relation to space and place? How are these experiences differentiated by intersections such as gender, class, race, ethnicity, disability and, critically, location? Simultaneously, very little work has considered heterosexuality and ageing in relation to space and place; the focus has largely been on gendered differences for older men and women. In response, this session seeks papers that speak to the challenge of ageing, sexualities and place. Some possible topics include:

* Ageing-in-place for LGBITQ+ people
* LGBTIQ+ experiences of aged-care facilities and services
* Generational change and gay districts
* Intersectional differences in LGBTIQ+ ageing: e.g. gender, race, ethnicity, class, religion, disability, etc
* Locational differences in LGBTIQ+ ageing: e.g. cross-national, rural/urban
* Trans\* experiences of ageing and place
* LGBTIQ+ retirement migration
* Older LGBTIQ+ people and digital spaces
* Heterosexuality and ageing
* Normativities related to sex at old age (e.g. asexuality)

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Biography for lead chair: Andrew Gorman-Murray is Professor of Geography at Western Sydney University. His research agenda is geographies of justice, encompassing interests such as: gender, sexuality and space; urban and regional social transformations; and wellbeing and place. He has published widely on diverse themes within geographies of sexualities, including LGBTIQ+ experiences of belonging and alienation at a range of scales and sites, such as homes, neighbourhoods, suburbia, cities, country towns and the nation state. His recent collections include *Queering The Interior* 2018) with Matt Cook, and *The Geographies of Digital Sexuality* (2019) with Catherine J. Nash.