

Call for papers for a special issue of *Psychopathology* on Space, Social Perception, and Mental Disorders.

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A short description:

The special issue will bring together under one roof phenomenological, psychopathological, and psychological approaches to disturbances of space and social perception in mental disorders.

The perception of others has a crucial impact on the manners in which humans experience space. In everyday social settings, the interlocking nature of social perception and the experience of space shapes how the world and others show up and felt. Perceiving the embodied presence of other people familiarizes the environment, facilitates social understanding, and affords valuable experiential benefits. Mental disorders often involve changes in social perception that impact the way subjects experience their surroundings. This special issue of *Psychopathology* aims at shedding light on how the experience of space and the perception of others are interconnected and how this relationship is altered in various mental conditions.

Topics include (but are not limited to) the following themes:

- How can anomalies in social perception impact the experience of space?
- In what ways do disturbances of the sense of mine-ness influence the relationship between the experience of space and others?
- To what extent does the embodied presence of others familiarize the environment?
- Does the constitution of affective spaces rely on social perception?
- What are the underlying embodied and affective features that support social perception and the experience of space?
- What role do collective emotions and shared intentionality play in determining how space is intended and perceived?
- How can therapeutic models address impairments of the we-space?

We are particularly interested in papers that suggest phenomenological and empirical investigations into disturbances of space and others in disorders such as schizophrenia, borderline personality disorder, social anxiety disorder, post-traumatic stress disorder, and autism.

Important dates:

January 30th, 2021: deadline for submitting abstracts for the special issue (ca. 500 words).

Abstracts should be sent directly to the guest editors ([oren.bader@mail.com](mailto:oren.bader@mail.com), [valeria.bizzari@libero.it](mailto:valeria.bizzari@libero.it)).

March 1<sup>st</sup>, 2021: notification of acceptance.

July 1<sup>st</sup>, 2021: deadline for submission of papers for double-blind peer review.

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