

## Call for Proposals: IPLAI Reading and Working Groups

IPLAI, the Institute for the Public Life of Arts and Ideas, invites proposals for informal interdisciplinary reading groups, working groups or seminars. IPLAI will provide space for approved seminars, and help with advertising and organization. Groups may use the IPLAI kitchen, stocked with tea and coffee (and occasional cookies and treats). We also have a satellite location at the Salon 1861 which may be suitable for some groups.

Groups will:

1. Be led by anyone with interest in connecting interdisciplinary research with public practice
2. Involve members of the McGill community (faculty, staff, graduate students, undergraduate students, alumni)
3. Meet according to a regular, advertised schedule (no more than 6 times per term).
4. Attract a regular, interdisciplinary core membership (though it is not necessary for all members to attend every meeting)
5. Welcome drop-in participants, and members from outside the university
6. Keep to a specific theme, rich in scope, addressing various texts, or media (visual arts, film, music, radio, performance, etc.)

Please include in your proposal:

1. A title for the group and a 1-3 sentence abstract of your group's focus. What is the goal of your group? What question(s) will it address? Will the group serve a need not otherwise addressed by existing on-campus programs?
2. A provisional text/media list/outline.
3. Names, affiliations and contact information of committed seminar leaders
4. Requested meeting dates and times

Send proposals (no longer than 2 pages) as pdf or doc files to [iplaimcgill@gmail.com](mailto:iplaimcgill@gmail.com) before the deadline specified on the website. We vet proposals as they come in.