e-misférica • Writers Guidelines

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The journal publishes scholarly essays, multimedia artists’ presentations, and book and performance reviews; we publish materials in English, Spanish, and Portuguese. Each issue focuses on a specific theme, exploring intersections of performance and politics in the Americas. Past issues have focused on topics such as performance and democracy, Native American performance, sexualities and politics in the Americas, performance and the law, border performance, and the political uses of affect. The best way to measure the scope of *e-misférica* is to browse recent issues.

Submissions are understood to be original, unpublished, and should not be under consideration for publication elsewhere.

**Submission**

Where possible, materials should be submitted electronically to hemi.ejournal@nyu.edu. Text should be sent as a *word document* or in *rtf format*. See guidelines for other media below.

**Length**

Scholarly essays are approximately 7,000 words, including endnotes. Book and performance reviews are 750 words. Reviews that compare 2 or more works may be up to 1,500 words.

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Please include a 150-word abstract of your article for publication. Abstracts should summarize the key points of the article, placing them in a broader context for an international readership. Avoid the use of phrases such as “In this article…”, “The author…”, “The article is about….” If you are able, please include a translated version of the abstract in either or both Spanish and Portuguese. The abstract will appear in three languages in the journal.

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Please include a 100-word bio. If you are able please include a translated version of the bio in either or both Spanish and Portuguese. The bio will appear in three languages in the journal.

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**Images**

We welcome visual documentation to accompany all texts. While final editing will determine how many images can be included with essays and reviews, please send an *wide range* of images so that we can make a selection. Non-electronic images will be returned after publication.

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