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History of Media and New Media Art
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UPDATED READING SCHEDULE 02/15/18

Readings:

The reading assignments are available in your textbook and at the Docutek website listed below:

- Textbook: Hannah B. Higgins and Douglas Kahn, Mainframe Experimentalism: Early Computing and the Foundations of the Digital Arts. Los Angeles: University of California Press, 2012.
- Docutek URL: http://utdallas.docutek.com/eres/coursepass.aspx?cid=2249
- Docutek Password: mediation



Tuesday February 20

• New Tendencies, Op Art, and Gestalt Pschology

-Margit Rosen, "'They Have All Dreamt of the Machines – and Now the Machines Have Arrived': New Tendencies – Computers and Visual Research, Zagreb, 1968-1969," *Mainframe Experimentalism*, 90-111. 65.

Thursday February 22 NO CLASS Annual CAA Meeting

Tuesday February 27-Thursday March 1

- Sound and Algorithms: Between Alvin Lucier and John Cage
 - -Christopher Cox, "The Alien Voice: Alvin Lucier's *North American Time Capsule 1967," Mainframe Experimentalism*, 170-186.
 - -Robert A. Moog, "An Introduction to North American Time Capsule 1967," *Mainframe Experimentalism*, 187-188.
 - -Alvin Lucier, "North American Time Capsule 1967," Mainframe Experimentalism, 189-194.

Tuesday March 6-Thursday March 8

- Fluxus and Computers
 - -Hannah B. Higgins, "An Introduction to Alison Knowles's *The House of Dust*," *Mainframe Experimentalism*, 195-199.
 - -Benjamin H.D. Buchloh, "The Book of the Future: Alison Knowles's *The House of Dust*," *Mainframe Experimentalism*, 200-208.
 - -Dick Higgins, "'Computers for the Arts' (May 1968)," Mainframe Experimentalism, 292-297.



Media theorist Marshall McLuhan with TVs – an example of "recursion" or the technological nesting of images

Tuesday March 13-Thursday March 15 NO CLASS SPRING BREAK

Tuesday March 20

• Sound, Algorithms, and Performance Art

-Douglas Kahn, "James Tenney at Bell Labs," Mainframe Experimentalism, 131-146.

Thursday March 22 NO CLASS Professor Guest Speaker at Ithaca College

Tuesday March 27-Thursday March 29

• Early Computer Art

-Christopher Klütsch, "Information Aesthetics and the Stuttgart School," *Mainframe Experimentalism*, 65-89.

Tuesday April 3-Thursday April 5

• Mainframe Experimentalism, TVs, and Distributed Networks

-William Kaizen, "Computer Participator: Situating Nam June Paik's Work in Computing," *Mainframe Experimentalism*, 229-242.

Tuesday April 10-Thursday April 12

Experimental Exhibitions

-Edward A. Shanken, "In Forming *Software*: Software, Structuralism, Dematerialization," *Mainframe Experimentalism*, 51-65

Tuesday April 17-Thursday April 19

Hallucinations and Hippie Modernism

-Zabet Patterson, "From the Gun Controller to the Mandala: The Cybernetic Cinema of John and James Whitney," *Mainframe Experimentalism*, 334-354.

Tuesday April 24-Thursday April 26

• Immersion and New Media Art

-Gloria Sutton, "Stan VanDerBeek's Poemfields: The Interstice of Cinema and Computing," *Mainframe Experimentalism*, 311-333.