

(VIRTUAL) BOOK LAUNCH: CHARTING LITERARY URBAN STUDIES

Please join us for the launch of *Charting Urban Literary Studies: Texts as Models of and for the City* (Routledge, 2021) by Jens Martin Gurr on Monday, February 15, at 6pm (CET).

The book asks: How do literary texts represent urban complexities? How do they simulate layers of urban memory? What role can literary studies play in interdisciplinary urban research? Are the currently dominant blueprints for urban development really always the ones that best solve a given problem? Or is their global spread not least a matter of their narrative packaging? In answering such key questions, the book also traces a heuristic trajectory from the analysis of literary texts as representations of urban developments to an analysis of literary strategies in planning documents and other pragmatic, non-literary texts.

Thomas Heise (Penn State University) and Julia Sattler (TU Dortmund University) will act as commentators for the book.

The book is available open access [here](#).

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