**OUR SPACE PROJECT CONFERENCE 2010**

**THE CHANGING LANDSCAPE OF DEAF SPACES TO FACILITATE HEALTH AND WELLBEING**

**Theme**

The aim of the conference is to explore the changing and developing Deaf Landscape and its impact on Deaf people’s spaces and their health and wellbeing. The theme explores real and virtual spaces, spaces of the past and present and spaces known and yet to be realised. This theme will engage expertise and research in: community health, language planning, life and oral history, cultural expression and the Arts, community-led media and educational approaches to enhance the Deaf awareness of health and social care professionals.

The topic of the conference is derived from the Our Space project, funded by HEFCE, South East Costal Communities funding stream. It brings together the Deaf community, Occupational Therapy and Third Sector Organisations as a community of practice. They explore different capacity building themes including oral history and reminiscence, community led activities, Deaf-led publishing and the wider celebration of Deaf people and their spaces.

The Centre for Deaf Studies is part of the Centre for Community Engagement based at the University of Sussex; it aims to open its resources to the community and third sector organisations to facilitate knowledge exchange and a collaboration of research and development.

**DATE:** FRIDAY 22ND OCTOBER 2010

**VENUE:** THE CLARENDON CENTRE, BRIGHTON

**FEE:** ACADEMIC DELEGATES £15 / THIRD SECTOR DELEGATES £10 / COMMUNITY DELEGATES £5

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