

CFP: Cold, Cooling and Freezing in Nordic Contexts



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We are surrounded by heat and cold in our everyday lives. We conform, adjust to and strive for temperatures in relation to our indoor environments, clothing, cooking, storing and choice of vacation destinations. Managing and mastering cold and heat is thus intimately connected to practices concerning survival and sustainability, especially in the context of global warming. Warming has previously been suggested as a cultural analytical tool or metaphor to think about change and continuity (Ger 2007); in this special issue we wish to turn focus on the opposite, the cooling.

For this special issue, we seek empirical and theoretical articles exploring the culture, technology and history of cooling and freezing from different cultural perspectives within Nordic contexts. A central question is how cooling and freezing has influenced and become integrated into everyday practices and materiality. How does cold and cooling create meaning, practices, power and risks, or taken for granted?

We welcome proposals for research articles (4000-6000 words) in English on the theme for publication in *Kulturella Perspektiv*. The issue will be published in early 2023. Deadline for abstracts is 1 September 2021 and deadline for full manuscripts is 31 March 2022. As usual, the final decision regarding publication is taken after completed peer review process. Submitted article proposals that may be rejected for reasons of limited space, may be considered for publication in later issues of the journal

An online workshop will be organized in February 2022 with the aim to present and discuss the theme and article drafts before submission of full manuscripts.

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