



# Design Research: Views from Across the Disciplines

2-4 pm at Bahen Centre for Information Technology, BA 7256 (7th floor) 40 St. George St.

Epistemologically, what do designers 'know'? Are there 'designerly ways of knowing'<sup>1</sup> distinct from the recognised scientific and other scholarly ways of knowing? Speakers from different disciplines will take these questions as their point of departure to explore what, for them, constitutes a legitimate knowledge claim. And, since research in knowledge media design is typically trans-disciplinary, we will also explore ways of fostering communication across disciplinary boundaries and bridging traditional epistemological divides.

<sup>1</sup> Cross, N. (2006). *Designerly ways of knowing*. London: Springer.

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- March 6: **Nick Woolridge**, Professor, Biomedical Communications & KMDI, U of T
- March 13: **Michael Longford**, Professor, Dept. of Design, York University & **Barbara Crow**, Professor & Director, Joint Graduate Programme in Communication & Culture York University
- March 20: **Rodney Hoinkes**, PhD in Design (Harvard) & Creator of Parallel Worlds Lab
- March 27: **Li Shu**, Professor, Biomimetics for Innovation & Design Laboratory, Dept. of Mechanical & Industrial Engineering, U of T
- April 3: **Tomás Dorta**, Professeur adjoint, Ecole de design industriel, Université de Montréal
- April 25: **Bill Buxton**, Principal Researcher, Microsoft Research & author of the award winning book, *Sketching User Experiences*
- May 1: **Design Research & KMD: A Panel Discussion**  
Danielle Lottridge, PhD candidate, MIE& KMDI; Kate Sellen, PhD candidate, MIE & KMDI, Karen Smith, PhD candidate FIS & KMDI & Joan Touzet, PhD candidate OISE/UT & KMDI. Moderated by Gale Moore, Professor & Director, KMDI
- May 14: **Bill Gaver**, Professor of Design, Goldsmiths, University of London.
- May 20: **Nigel Cross**, Professor of Design Studies, Faculty of Technology, The Open University & Editor-in-Chief of *Design Studies* - See **KMDI Distinguished Lecture** 11:00 am - 1:00 pm Room BA 1220