



## Community standards and participation guidelines

There are some simple guidelines which we expect all participants in the community areas of the ARTES website to abide by.

- ✓ **We welcome debate and dissent, but personal attacks (on authors, other users or any individual) will not be tolerated.** The key to maintaining the ARTES website as an inviting space is to focus on intelligent discussion of topics.
- ✓ **We will consider removing any content that others might find offensive or threatening.** Please respect other people's views and beliefs and consider your impact on others when making your contribution.
- ✓ **We will remove any content that may put us in legal jeopardy,** such as potentially libellous or defamatory postings, or material posted in potential breach of copyright.
- ✓ **We will remove any posts that are obviously spam-like.**
- ✓ **Keep it relevant.** Any material, although interesting and useful, not relevant to the thematic areas of the ARTES platform should not be uploaded. We know that some conversations can be wide-ranging, but if you post something which is unrelated to the original topic ("off-topic") then it may be removed, in order to keep the thread on track.
- ✓ **The platform is ours, but the conversation belongs to everybody. Take some responsibility for the quality of the conversations in which you're participating.** Help make this an intelligent place for discussion and it will be.