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Design Research: The Space of Design Research

The Space of Design Research is the third in a series of discussions moderated by the College of Fine and Applied Arts <u>Design Research Fellows</u>. For this event, the fellows will host Anita Say Chan from the Media & Cinema Studies Department and the Institute for Communications Research and Jeff Ginger from the School of Information Science and Illinois Informatics Institute. They will share their own stories that weave research, environs, and multidisciplinary collaboration in thought-provoking ways. The concentration of the discussion will revolve around the critical use of space and the role this plays towards the production of knowledge.

Tuesday, April 18 Reception begins at 6:30 p.m. Panel Discussion at 7:00 p.m. Erlanger House, 303 W. Indiana Ave., Urbana

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Jeff Ginger is a Program Coordinator with the Illinois Informatics Institute and Adjunct Instructor at the School of Information Sciences at Illinois. He is the director of the Champaign-Urbana Community Fab Lab where he continues to lend a critical but optimistic perspective to the study and implementation of makerspaces, particularly by tackling some of its most key challenges, such as cultivating and supporting diversity, a prerequisite to innovation, and sustainably establishing

capacity-building technology education services in collaboration with under-served communities.



Anita Say Chan is an Associate Research Professor of Communications in the Department of Media and Cinema Studies at Illinois. Her research and teaching interests include globalization and digital cultures, innovation networks and the "periphery," science and technology studies in Latin America, and hybrid pedagogies in building digital literacies. Her first book, *Networking Peripheries: Technological Futures and the Myth of Digital Universalism*, chronicles experiences in

South America and explores the competing imaginaries of global connection and information technologies in networkage Peru and was released by MIT Press in 2014. She is currently leading the Prairie Futures IPRH Research Cluster and is serving on the Design Initiative Executive Committee.

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