

# AUNT-SUE

Accessibility and  
User Needs in  
Transport for  
Sustainable Urban  
Environments



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## Newsletter Edition June 2006, Issue 1

You are reading the AUNT-SUE newsletter. It contains updates on how our research project develops and tests sustainable policies and practice that will deliver effective socially inclusive design and operation in transport and the associated public realm.

## AUNT-SUE Summer 2006 ...



### London Biennale, 14-25 June 2006

We look forward to seeing you at our **Urban Design Exhibition** from **17th to 25th June** at the 'Gymnasium' next to St Pancras/ King's Cross. The exhibition illustrates key aspects of the AUNT-SUE research programme. Members of our research team will be pleased to meet you on:

- SAT, 17th June, 12-2 pm/4-6 pm
- SUN, 18th June, 12-2 pm/4-6 pm

Features of the exhibition can be viewed on [www.aunt-sue.org.uk](http://www.aunt-sue.org.uk) from 17th June.



The Biennale will also include a thought-provoking exhibition "**being there - detailing the city experience**". This can be seen from **14th to 23rd June** at **Hoopers Gallery** in Clerkenwell. Two artists, Helen Bendon and Jessica Thom, will interpret the work of AUNT-SUE as well as related research programmes Viva City 2020 (24/7 cities) and InSITU (social inclusion and urban design). We are pleased to invite you to the **opening on 14th June** at 6.30 pm.

You are also welcome to participate in the **Expert Panel Evening on 22nd June** from 6.30 pm to 9.00 pm, at the same venue.

See also [www.londonbiennale.org.uk](http://www.londonbiennale.org.uk) and [www.hoopersgallery.co.uk](http://www.hoopersgallery.co.uk)



### Design and Emotion Conference in Sweden

**Professor Mark Porter** (LU) will present a paper at the Design and Emotion Conference in Gothenburg, Sweden, **27-29th September 2006**: "HADRIAN: I am not a number, I am a free man!" Details to follow on [www.aunt-sue.org.uk](http://www.aunt-sue.org.uk)

### BURA conference Autumn 2006

The British Urban Regeneration Association (BURA) and AUNT-SUE will co-host a conference for practitioners and researchers to discuss the prospects for sustainable transport interchanges. Details to follow on [www.aunt-sue.org.uk](http://www.aunt-sue.org.uk)

### Festival of Science in UK

**Professor Mark Porter** (LU) will speak at the Festival of Science in Norwich (UK) on **7th September 2006**: "HADRIAN gets tired and emotional". Details to follow on [www.aunt-sue.org.uk](http://www.aunt-sue.org.uk)

### Research Progress

Juliet Solomon (Londonmet), and Helena Titheridge (UCL) are approaching the end of the first stage of the benchmarking process.

## AUNT-SUE in Spring 2006 ...



Photo: Symposium 2006 Speakers

### AUNT-SUE Symposium in London

On **18th January** the **AUNT-SUE** research team hosted a symposium attended by over 60 leading practitioners to review progress made in the project's first year.

Presentations on [www.aunt-sue.org.uk/events.html](http://www.aunt-sue.org.uk/events.html)

### 'Transport and Social Exclusion' AUNT-SUE at Conference in Leeds

On **23rd February**, **Juliet Solomon** (Londonmet), who is leading on Benchmarking in WP1, gave a paper at a Waterfront conference, "Transport and Social Exclusion: Three Years On".

The AUNT-SUE presentation used evidence from all the projects to explain the links between the separate components of the overall research project, relationships which could almost be viewed as symbiotic in the context of the "whole journey".

### BURA "Interchanges" Conference at Stratford Town Hall

**Professor Graeme Evans** (Londonmet) and **Steve Shaw** (Londonmet) introduced AUNT-SUE at a high profile conference organised by the British Urban Regeneration Association on **28th February**.

Details on [www.aunt-sue.org.uk/news.htm](http://www.aunt-sue.org.uk/news.htm)

### AUNT-SUE at Designing Out Crimes seminar in Birmingham

**Professor Graeme Evans** presented AUNT-SUE/VivaCity to the Designing Out Crime Association (DOCA) seminar. This presentation was based on our GIS/crime data analysis in London (King's Cross and Clerkenwell testbeds). The event took place on **22nd March** in Birmingham.

### AUNT-SUE at Annual Conference Ergonomics Society

**Professor Mark Porter** (LU) and **Dr Ruth Sims** (LU) presented papers at the Ergonomics Society Conference 2006 in Cambridge on **2nd-6th April**. Papers on [www.aunt-sue.org.uk/news.htm](http://www.aunt-sue.org.uk/news.htm)

### AUNT-SUE: Parliamentary Advisory Committee on Transport Safety

**Professor Mark Porter** (LU) presented the work of AUNT-SUE/HADRIAN at the SPARC network workshop in Coventry, and at the Ergonomics Society/Parliamentary Advisory Committee on Transport Safety conference in London, both held in **February 2006**.

### Making The Connections

**Trevor Mason**, Hertfordshire County Council, presented at a Landor conference: "Accessibility planning: Bringing all sectors together for practical action" on **16th February 2006** on "Accessibility Planning so far". His presentation is available on [www.aunt-sue.org.uk/news.htm](http://www.aunt-sue.org.uk/news.htm)

### AUNT-SUE at RNIB seminar



The seminar explored the role of location-based services to help people with disabilities, and discussed a number of projects active in this area. For further information please contact **Dr John Gill** (Email: [john.gill@rnib.org.uk](mailto:john.gill@rnib.org.uk))

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**Glossary:** **LU:** Loughborough University; **Londonmet:** London Metropolitan University, **UCL:** University College London, **RNIB:** Royal National Institute of the Blind, **BURA:** British Urban Regeneration Association