Guidelines on preparing and submitting an article for *Nineteenth Century Theatre and Film*

These guidelines are intended to help you and us – the better prepared the article is the more efficiently it will pass through the production process.

Please pay particular attention to the notes and reference section and make sure that the style you use is consistent throughout the article and is compatible with the rest of the journal.

**Submission of manuscripts**

- Online submissions are made via the *Nineteenth Century Theatre and Film* ScholarOne website: [http://mc.manuscriptcentral.com/nctf](http://mc.manuscriptcentral.com/nctf)
- New users will need to first create an account. Once logged in, submissions can be made through the Author Centre. If you require assistance with the ScholarOne site, see the ‘Get Help Now’ link in the upper right corner to access the ScholarOne team or search the FAQs.
- An abstract (150 words or less) and 3 to 6 selected key words (all in lower case except for proper nouns) should be included at the beginning of the article. You will also be asked to input them during steps 2 and 3 of online submission.
- The preferred word processing format is MS Word. PDFs cannot be accepted.
- A Title Page should be uploaded to ScholarOne separately during step 6 of the submission process, containing the article title, author’s name, biography, acknowledgements (and any other identifying information) as you would wish them to appear in the journal to allow for blinded review.

**General**

**Journal style points**

- UK punctuation throughout article.
- UK spelling consistently throughout article (-ise/-yse NOT –ize/-yze) but retain American spelling in American proper names, such as Pearl Harbor.
- Use single spaces after all punctuation. Initials should also be spaced. A. J. Smith not A.J. Smith (NB, i.e. and e.g. are exceptions); space after the point in the following contractions: ed., p., pp., ch., vol., etc.
- Maximum capitalisation is used on all headings and titles of published works within the text and the notes, e.g. ‘Nineteenth Century Charade Dramas: Syllables of Gentility and Sociability’. Use different typesizes to distinguish different levels of heading.
- Page numbers are elided: 4–7, 8–13, 16–18 (not 16–8), 20–7, 34–76, 104–6, 136–42. Use an en rule if possible between number spans.
- Dates are written in full: 31 January 1678.
- Spell out ‘nineteenth century’ but ‘1800s’. Use 1890s, not nineties, 90s or ‘90s. Remember that Nineteenth Century, 19th Century, 19th-century and other variations should be written as ‘nineteenth century’ without capitals or numbers BUT hyphenate when adjectival, e.g. “in the nineteenth century” but “nineteenth-century furniture”. References to the Journal itself should appear as *Nineteenth Century Theatre and Film*.
- Years are elided to two digits: 1674–89, 1674–77, 1674–1723.
- *Ibid.* after references that cite the title previously mentioned; do not use *idem*, *loc. cit.* or *op. cit.*
- Apostrophe: Thomas’s, Jones’s, but Moses’, Bridges’, i.e. when the word ending is pronounced ‘iz’, use an apostrophe only.
Quotation

- Quotation extracts should be indented, with one line space above and below, with no quotation marks unless it’s direct speech. The extract source should run on from last line of extract in parentheses immediately after closing full point OR should be endnoted.
- Use three dots with a space either side … to indicate material missing within a quote (but NOT at the beginning of a quote). Use four dots to indicate material missing at the end of a sentence ….
- Use single quote marks for quotations integrated within the text, and double quote marks for quotes within these quotes.
- When quotation marks enclose less than a complete sentence, the closing quote mark should precede the final punctuation. When quotation marks enclose a complete sentence or more, the closing quote should follow the final punctuation.

Numbers

- Spell out numbers below 100, use digits for numbers over 100.
- Exceptions to this: for numbers in a mixed sequence (i.e. under and over 100) use digits; numbers giving exact measurements or units of measurements such as 7 kg, 15.8 mm; 5.00 p.m. (but five o’clock); phrases involving hundreds, thousands, millions, etc. should be written; where round numbers are given (e.g. two hundred, fifteen thousand) they should be written.
- Units of measurement: no ‘s’ to appear in plural (5 kg not 5 kgs). If pre-decimal currency is used, follow this style: £5 15s 6d.
- Always put a number on either side of a decimal point, e.g., 0.6 (not .6).

Abbreviations/punctuation/spacing

- Uncommon abbreviations should be avoided, or explained at their first occurrence.
- *Idem, loc. cit., op. cit.* should not be used.
- ‘&’ may be used for names of companies, institutions, etc. (Faber & Faber). Otherwise use ‘and’.
- cf. (roman, not italic): note that cf. means ‘compare’, not ‘see’.
- fos for ‘folios’, not ff. which means ‘following’.
- ll. (‘lines’) should be avoided as it can be confused with roman numeral II or arabic 11: spell out instead.
- per cent (not percent): use % only in tables.
- v. not vs. (roman, not italic).
- Use full points after abbreviations (e.g., i.e., etc., *ibid.*, v., Ph.D., vol., p.m., Prof., Rev., ed.) except per cent (two words).
- Do not use a full point in the following cases: after units of measurement (kg, mm, cm); contractions (vols, eds, Dr, Mrs, Mr, Ltd, i.e. where first and last letters are given) except no. (number); initials (BBC, DNA, GMT, NATO, USA, ICI, TV), except name initials which should also be spaced (T. S. Eliot).
- No apostrophe with common abbreviations (phone, bus, pram, etc.).
- Insert a space after p., no., vol., fos (p. 67, not p.67) and include a space between numbers and units of measurement such as kg, mm, p.m. (5 kg, not 5kg).

Italic/bold

- Use italic for titles of publications (except series), including books (except the Bible, the Koran, etc.), and for journals, films, videos, plays, radio/TV programmes and titled musical works (but roman for Symphony no. 5 in C minor, etc.).
- Use italic for titles of long poems (e.g., *Four Quartets*), but roman enclosed in quotation marks for short poems.
- Use italic for titles of paintings and sculpture, names of ships; species and varieties; foreign terms and phrases (except anglicised terms, such as ‘elite’, ‘role’, ‘naive’, which should appear without accents, and except for those phrases which are quotations); names of parties in legal cases (but leave the v. in roman, e.g. *Churchill v. Wilson*); stage directions; *ibid.*, *et al.*, c. (NB do not use ca.), but via, vice versa, i.e., e.g. are roman.
- As a general rule, avoid using bold type – headings will be marked up later and should be in roman; if emphasis is required, italic is preferred.
Job titles/affiliations/subjects
- the King (referring to a specific individual), but a king.
- Member of Parliament.
- the President, but a president, presidential (NB for Vice-President and other compound titles, capitalise both initials).
- the Prime Minister, but a prime minister.
- the Professor of Political Science, but a professor of political science.

Institutions/organisations/places
- the Church (institution) but the church (building).
- the Crown (meaning the monarchy).
- the Government (specific) but the government (general).
- House of Commons/Lords (always initial caps) and also the House.
- Liberal (use cap. only for Liberal Party or party member) and also applies to Conservative, Labour, Communist, etc.
- Northern Ireland, but northern England.
- the Parliament but parliamentary.
- the Senate (always capitalised).
- the State (when referring to political communities).
- the West, Western Europe, etc., but western England.

Note on bias/gender/racial and ethnic groups
- Avoid using terms and phrases which express gender, racial or other bias, examples are: humanity or humankind, not mankind; workers or workforce, not workmen; chairperson or chair, not chairman; artisan or craftsman, not craftsman; firefighters not firemen; manufactured, not manmade; ancestors, not forefathers; senior citizens or the elderly, not old people; person with a disability or differently abled person, not cripple or handicapped/retarded/disabled person.
- Use 'he or she', 'her or him' (note alphabetical order); do not refer to objects or places (such as ships and countries as 'she': use 'it').
- Be specific and accurate when referring to a racial, ethnic or national group.
- The word aborigine signifies the original inhabitants of any country; for native Australians use Aborigine with a capital A.
- Afro-Caribbean, African or black African etc., are preferable.
- Asian covers the whole of Asia, not just India and Pakistan: be more specific if possible.
- Avoid 'coloured people': specify racial/ethnic origin.
- Eskimo: use Inuit instead.
- Europe includes East Europe and cannot be substituted for West Europe or European Community.
- Use Native American or Native Canadian, not Indian (which signifies a native of India) or Red Indian.
- North America: remember this includes Canada and Mexico; use United States if this is what is meant.
- Use 'in Britain' or 'in France' not 'at home'.

Notes and references
- Most editing problems are concerned with the notes at the end of the article.
- Use numbered endnotes not numbered footnotes.
- Notes at the end of the article should contain all the publications cited in the text.
- For accuracy and ease of making changes, you are strongly advised to use an automated note numbering system.
system when preparing your paper. Use superscript Arabic numbering (i.e. 1,2,3) not Roman (i.e. i,ii,iii).

- Superscript note numbers must follow punctuation e.g. … xyz.\(^\text{^}\) NOT …xyz\(^{\text{^}}\).
- Where a single edition or literary text is being referred to continually throughout the article, full reference should be given to the first citation in a note, followed by ‘All subsequent quotations are taken from this edition. Page/canto/stanza/line/act/scene (as appropriate) numbers will follow in brackets’.
- Please use the short-title system as shown below. Please make sure that the style you use is consistent throughout the notes section at the end of your article, and that all source material is included. The title of books and journals should be either underlined or in italics. If the author’s initials are used instead of their full first name, please make sure this style is carried through to all entries, and vice versa.

### Books
- Book titles: maximum capitalisation, no quotation marks, italic.
- Chapter titles: maximum capitalisation, not italic, in single quotation marks.
- For all book references please give place, publisher and date.
- The author’s name should be given as it appears on the publication.
- Give full details of the publication the first time it occurs, and on second and further references cite only the author’s surname and short form of title, and page reference.
- Abbreviations to be used: (ed.), (eds), fo. and fos or fol. and fos, p., pp., r and v for recto and verso on the line with no full point.
- Author, *title*, (place published, publisher, date of publication), page references:


### Chapters in edited collections:


### Journals
- Journal titles – always in full at first occurrence, maximum capitalisation, in italics.
- Article titles – maximum capitalisation, not in italics in single quotation marks.
- Give volume number in arabic numerals then part or issue number, separated by a colon, parenthesis round the year, page reference, e.g.: author, ‘name of article’, *journal*, volume:issue (year published), page reference(s).
- Provide the DOI (digital object identifier) of the online version if known.
- Indentify articles published online ahead of print and provide the DOI. Update references with full details of volume, issue, page number and year at revision or proof stage if possible.
- Note numbers should be in arabic superscript within the text and full size arabic numbers in the notes, with no punctuation after the note number.


Other Sources

- Unpublished books, theses and dissertations should be in roman in quotes: type, place and date should be given, e.g. ‘Ph.D. dissertation, University of Manchester, 1999.’
- Newspaper articles and magazine titles: do not include the The in references (The should only be used for The Times), e.g. Smith, J., ‘The Prime Minister on the Defensive’, Guardian, 6 September 1989, pp. 7–19.
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- Government and official sources: ensure the correct use of C, Cd, Cmd, Cmnd and Cm, as these refer to different series: 1–4222 1833–69; C 1–9550 1870–99; Cd 1–9239 1900–18; Cmd 1–9889 1919–56; Cmnd 1–9927 1956–86; Cm 1– 1986–. Note that Hansard documents are numbered by column rather than page; use the correct abbreviations (vol., vols, col., cols) before the appropriate numbers.

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