Places are far more than geographical locations; they are sites of memories and venues for extraordinary encounters in storytelling. This constitutes the topic for a symposium which will be held at the University of Tartu, Estonia. The purpose is to shed light on the narrative construction of places, landscapes and their supernatural dimensions, and the spatial conditions for encounters with the supernatural as they are manifested in European folklore and in early sources, such as the Old Norse sagas. The symposium is arranged in connection with the release of the volume *Storied and Supernatural Places: Studies in Spatial and Social Dimensions of Folklore and Sagas*.

Further information (on registration, abstracts, accommodation etc.) is found on the symposium website: [https://www.maailmakeeled.ut.ee/en/about-us-supernatural-places-revisited](https://www.maailmakeeled.ut.ee/en/about-us-supernatural-places-revisited)

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*Welcome to Tartu in June!*

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Programme

(Venue: Ülikooli 18-139)

9.00-9.15 Opening of the symposium.

9.15-10.00 Frog: Otherworlding: Othering Geographical Places and Spaces through Mythologization.

10.00-10.30 Coffee

10.30-11.00 Arngrímur Vídalín: ‘Einhvers staðar þurfa vondir að vera’: The Placement of Evil in the Sagas.

11.00-11.30 Tommy Kuusela: Dazed and Confused: Supernatural Encounters in the Forests of Scandinavia.

11.30-12.00 Daniel Sävborg: Encountering the Otherworld in Old Norse Literature and Tradition: Some Results and Perspectives from a Research Project.

12.00-13.30 Lunch (for the speakers)

13.30-14.00 Ülo Valk: Entangled Storyworlds: on the Liminality of Place-Lore.

14.00-14.30 Jonathan Roper: Ugly Folklore.

14.30-15.00 Tiina Sepp: ‘The narrative is ambiguous and that location isn’t the right location’: looking for a metanarrative in York Minster.

15.00-15.30 Coffee

15.30-16.00 Kristel Kivari: Places that speak for: the case of Tuhala nature reserve.

16.00-16.30 Irma-Riitta Järvinen: Reflections on Storied Places and Memory.


19.00 Dinner (for the speakers)