

Conference on Modern British History 2008 Programme

All sessions will be held on level 3 of the McCance Building, University of Strathclyde, Richmond Street, Glasgow. Lunches, tea and coffee will all be served in the Conservatory, Level 3 McCance Building.

Tuesday 24 June

11.00-12.00 Registration Conservatory

12.00-1.00 Lunch

1.0.2.0 Keynote lecture I McCance 1

1.0.3.0 Chair: Emma McLeod

Harry Dickinson (Edinburgh): 'The Defence of British Policy towards the American Colonies during the American Revolution'

2.00-3.00 Session 1

Panel A: Work in the Eighteenth Century McCance 1

Chair: Simon Morgan

Jane Hamlett (Manchester), 'Family and Business in North-West England, 1760-1820'
Niels Van Manen (York), 'The Climbing Boy Reforms: Child Labour and Occupational Health in Britain, c. 1773-1819'

Panel B: Representation of Politics McCance 2

Chair: TBC

Toshihiko Iwama (Tokyo Metropolitan University), 'John Bright and Japanese Interpretations during Modernisation: Works by Roka Tokutomi and Sanji Mutoh'
Gordon Pentland (Edinburgh), 'Commemoration and the 'Usability' of Scotland's Radical Past, 1820-1920'

Panel C: New Arrivals in Britain McCance 3

Chair: Jim Mills

Karly Kehoe (Guelph), 'Citizenship and the Irish in Scotland The Development of Catholic Education, 1830-1900'
Sarah Hackett (Sunderland), 'The Asian of the North: Muslim Immigrant Integration and the Importance of Regional Identity in Post-War Newcastle'

3.00-3.30 Tea

3.30-5.30 Session 2

Panel D: Nineteenth-Century Politics

McCance 1

Chair: David Bebbington

Simon Morgan (Leeds Metropolitan), 'Social Elites and the Politics of Fame, c. 1790-1867'

Mary Clarke (Queen's University, Belfast), 'The Northcote-Trevelyan Report on the Civil Service: *The Times*, Gladstone and his Subordinates'

Mark Nixon (Glasgow Museums), 'The 1884 Reform Agitation in Scotland'

James Owen (Harlaxton College), 'The Introduction of the American 'Caucus' into English Political Discourse in the Late Nineteenth Century'

Panel E: Late Twentieth-Century Economic and Social Studies

McCance 2

Chair: Arthur McLvor

Gillian Nelson (Glasgow), 'Covert Ethnography and Homelessness in the Early 1970s'

Alison Gilmour (Glasgow), 'Fistful of Thistles: Chrysler Management of the Linwood Car Plant, 1967-1978'

Tara Martin (Manchester), 'Popular Memory and the Winter of Discontent'

Nina Baker (Strathclyde), 'Have the Effects of its History resulted in a Scottish Construction Industry that Differs from its Counterparts in the Rest of the United Kingdom?'

5.30 Interval

6.00-7.30 Public Lecture

McCance 1

Keith Robbins (Lampeter): 'Historians and Twentieth-Century British History, 1983-2008'

7.30-8.30 Civic Reception, City Chambers, Glasgow

Wednesday 25 June

9.0.10.0 **Keynote lecture II**

McCance 1

Chair: David Bebbington

Michael Bentley (St Andrews): 'Shape and Pattern in British Historiography, 1815-1945'

10.00-10.30 Coffee

10.30-12.30 Session 3

Panel F: Britain and Overseas

McCance 1

Chair: William Mulligan

Joseph Hardwick (York), 'The Church of England and the British Empire in a Period of Crisis, 1848-1851'

Owain Wright (Kingston), 'British Clashes with the Italian Carabinieri, 1875-1877'

Benjamin Gillon (Glasgow), 'The Americans Irritate Me': Lord Minto and the Emergence of the Anglo-American Special Relationship, 1898-1904'

Panel G: Nineteenth-Century Politics in its Setting

McCance 2

Chair: Gordon Pentland

Margaret Escott (History of Parliament), 'The Snake in the Grass: Chester Politics and the End of Cheshire's Palatine Jurisdiction in 1830'

David Gent (York), 'A Provincial Whig: Lord Morpeth and the Castle Howard Estate, c. 1830s-1860s'

David Craig (Durham), 'Advanced Conservative Liberalism: Anthony Trollope's Politics Revisited'

12.30-1.30 Lunch

1.30.2.30 Keynote lecture III

McCance 1

1.30.2.31 Chair: Juliette Pattinson

Lynn Abrams (Glasgow): 'The End of Separate Spheres? The Place of Women and Gender in Narratives of British History'

2.30-3.30 Session 4

Panel H: World War II

McCance 1

Chair: Juliette Pattinson

Mark Crowley (IHR, London), 'Bring along your wives, sweethearts, sisters and ladyfriends': Recruiting Women to the General Post Office, 1939-45'

Wendy Ugolini (Edinburgh), 'Experiencing War as the Enemy 'Other': Italian Scottish Experience during World War II'

Panel I: Twentieth-Century Liberals

McCance 2

Chair: Michael Bentley

Barry Dackombe (Open), ‘Just Another “Scratch Crowd”’: Liberal Internationalism and Single-Issue Politics, 1899-1920’

Michael Pugh (Glasgow), ‘A Parliamentary Case Study of Scottish Liberal Decline: Partick, Glasgow, 1918-1924’

3.30-4.00 **Tea**

4.00-5.00 **Session 5**

Panel J: Nineteenth-Century Defence

McCance 1

Chair: David Brown

Peter Jones (Independent/Oxford), ‘British Politics and National Defence: The 1852 Militia Debates’

Gareth Wood, ‘The Image of British Sea Power: The Royal Navy in the Popular Imagination from Trafalgar to Jutland’

Panel K: Rural Society

McCance 2

Chair: Mark Freeman

Stephen Caunce (Central Lancashire), ‘Reconsidering the Nature of Agricultural Labour in the Nineteenth and Twentieth Centuries: A Cross-Border Analysis of the Survival of Farm Servants’

Annie Tindley (Glasgow Caledonian), ‘Actual Pinching and Suffering: Poverty, Health and Land Reclamation in Sutherland, 1860-1870’

5.00-6.00 **Modern British History Network: Future Plans** **McCance 1**

Chair: David Brown

6.00 **Conclusion**