

## Welcome to the Second British Scholar Annual Conference

It is my pleasure to welcome you to the 2009 British Scholar Annual Conference. This year our program boasts 20 panels covering numerous aspects of British history from 1688 to the present. We are also honored that Sir David Cannadine opens the conference on Thursday, 19 February and that Linda Colley CBE will deliver the keynote address on Friday, 20 February. When this is combined with the world-class scholars who will both chair panels and present papers, we are certain that the conference offers something of interest for everyone.

As you enjoy the conference I hope you will consider filling out the comment card included with this program. We are dedicated to providing our members with the finest conference experience possible and in order to achieve this goal we look to you for feedback. I would also encourage you to think about becoming a Founding Donor or a Life Member in the British Scholar Society. You can find more information on these unique and prestigious levels of membership at our display in the Tom Lea Rooms.

Finally, the third British Scholar Annual Conference will take place in Austin on 25-27 March 2010. You might also want to mark on your calendars that the fifth British Scholar Annual Conference will be held in the United Kingdom in 2012. We are in the early planning stages for the 2012 conference with more information to come in the months ahead. We hope that all of you will be able to attend as we move overseas to celebrate our fifth anniversary.

I hope you enjoy the conference.

Best wishes,

Bryan S. Glass  
President, Organizing Committee  
British Scholar Annual Conference

## A Note from Editor Gregory Barton

Welcome to the second British Scholar Annual Conference. As you may know, the British Scholar Society places a premium on the meeting of minds, with cutting-edge lectures from new and senior scholars and the opportunity to socialize and network over meals and drinks at the conference dinner party on Friday evening and at pubs and live music venues on Saturday night.

The British Scholar Society also helps shape and define the study of Britain and the world through our various publications. Some of the papers presented at the conference will, no doubt, evolve into peer-reviewed articles published in the *British Scholar* Journal. We also encourage you to think about proposing monographs for our forthcoming book series, *Britain and the World*, with Palgrave Macmillan.

I personally look forward to meeting you and trust you will find your time at the conference rewarding.

Best wishes,

Gregory Barton  
Editor  
*British Scholar* Journal

## Thursday, 19 February

2:45 – 4:00 PM

**J. A. R. Moseley Room**

*Conference Opening Lecture*

**Sir David Cannadine**

**“Ending the British Empire: Independence Day  
Ceremonials in Historical Perspective”**

## Friday, 20 February

9:00 – 10:15 AM

**Tom Lea Rooms**

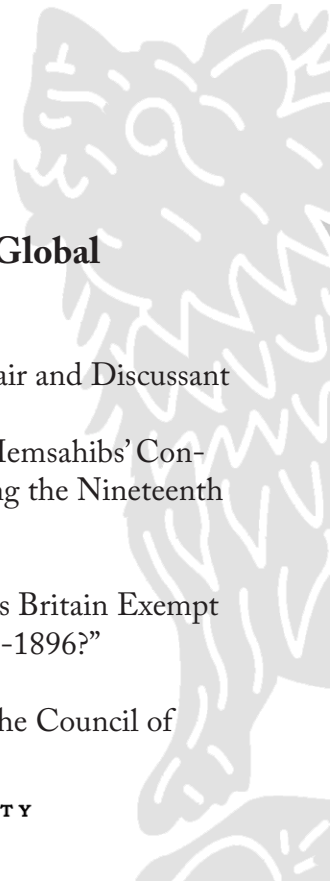
**Interactions Between the Local and the Global  
Economy**

A. G. Hopkins, *University of Texas at Austin*: Chair and Discussant

Nupur Chaudhuri, *Texas Southern University*: “Memsahibs’ Contribution to the Economy of the Metropole during the Nineteenth Century”

Mark Metzler, *University of Texas at Austin*: “Was Britain Exempt from the International Great Depression of 1873-1896?”

Jeffery R. Hankins, *Louisiana Tech University*: “The Council of



Trade as Department of State: The Covert Achievements of England's Eighteenth-Century Colonial Administration"

## Denius Seminar Room

### Soap, Sex, and the Gospel: Redeeming Africa in the Twentieth Century

Philippa Levine, *University of Southern California*: Chair and Discussant

Saheed Aderinto, *University of Texas at Austin*: "Britain and the Politics of Dissident Sexuality in Lagos, Nigeria, 1930s-1960"

Rebecca Hughes, *University of Washington*: "A Treasure of Darkness': The African Woman in Missionary Propaganda, circa 1919-1939"

Jeremy Rowan, *Florida International University*: "Cleaning the Empire: Company Culture and National Identity at Lever Brothers"

## J. A. R. Moseley Room

### Marriage, Sexuality, and Religion in Twentieth Century Britain

Brian Levack, *University of Texas at Austin*: Chair and Discussant

Louise Blakeney Williams, *Central Connecticut State University*: "Gender, Sexuality, and the Cosmopolitan Network of Art in the Early Twentieth Century British Empire"

Gail Savage, *St. Mary's College of Maryland*: "Oslo or Reno? Com-

peting Models of Modernity in Early Twentieth Century English Divorce Law Reform”

Joseph Stuart, *University of Edinburgh*: “The Gifford Lectureship and Ideas of Religion in Early Twentieth-Century Britain”

**10:30 – 11:45 AM**

## **Tom Lea Rooms**

### **Britain, the United States, and Strategic Control in the Indian Ocean Region**

Wm. Roger Louis, *University of Texas at Austin*: Chair and Discussant

James Onley, *University of Exeter*: “The Pax Britannica in the Gulf, 1835-1971: The Secrets of its Success”

John Brobst, *Ohio University*: “Between ‘Dark Scenario’ and ‘Nice Playback’: Whitehall, the US Navy, and the Indian Ocean, 1970-1974”

Helene von Bismarck, *Humboldt University Berlin*: “British Policy in the Persian Gulf from 1961 to 1968”

## **Denius Seminar Room**

### **Settlements, Slavery, and Indentured Labor in the British Empire during the late Seventeenth Century**

James Sidbury, *University of Texas at Austin*: Chair and Discussant

Abigail Swingen, *Auburn University*: “Slavery and the National

Interest: 'The Ten Percent Act and the Politics of the 1690s'

Anna Suranyi, *Northeastern University*: "Trepanned, Transported, or Contracted: The Conditions of Indenture in Seventeenth Century Britain and its Overseas Colonies"

Amanda Snyder, *Florida International University*: "'Sodom of the New World' and the Empire: Exile Communities, English Politics, and Port Royal, Jamaica, 1655-1700"

## **J. A. R. Moseley Room**

### **Improving the Health of Metropole and Colony**

Seth Koven, *Rutgers University*: Chair and Discussant

Kate Bradley, *University of Kent*: "Poverty, philanthropy and gender in the East End of London, 1918 to 1939: Women's settlement houses and the promotion of working-class health"

Darcy Hughes Heuring, *Northwestern University*: "The Problem of 'Improvement': The National Council for Combatting Venereal Diseases in Jamaica, 1920"

Elizabeth Prevost, *Grinnell College*: "Whose Civilizing Mission?: Regulating 'Vice' in Colonial Uganda"

**11:45 AM – 1:00 PM**

**Break for Lunch**

1:00 – 2:30 PM

## Tom Lea Rooms

### A “British” War? Strategy, Politics, and Conflict in the Twentieth Century British World

R. J. Q. Adams, *Texas A&M University*: Chair and Discussant

Robert Whitaker, *University of Texas at Austin*: “The National Service League and Conscription”

Martin Farr, *University of Newcastle*: “Liberals, war and peace 1916-1919”

Benjamin Grob-Fitzgibbon, *University of Arkansas*: “An Absence of Peace, an Absence of War: The Development of British Counterinsurgency Strategy in the Postwar Empire, 1945-c.1960”

Wm. Matthew Kennedy, *University of Texas at Austin*: “The Singapore Naval Base: Imperial Failure on a Grand Stage”

## Denius Seminar Room

### Politics, Policy Making, and the End of Empire in the Middle East and India

James Onley, *University of Exeter*: Chair and Discussant

Brandon D. Marsh, *University of Texas at Austin*: “‘Increasingly Planning Minded’: British Policy and the End of Empire in Waziristan, 1939-1948”

Alexander R. Wieland, *U. S. Department of State*: “We’ve already

had a bash...’: British Inter-Ministerial Rivalry and the Middle East in the Shadow of Suez, 1957-1964”

David P. Getman, *Rice University*: “Despots abroad and democrats at home’: National vs. Imperial Legitimacy in Britain and Iraq after the First World War”

## **J. A. R. Moseley Room**

### **The Global Reach of British Environmentalism**

Bruce Hunt, *University of Texas at Austin*: Chair and Discussant

Gregory Barton, *Macquarie University*: “The Anti-Expert Expert: Tracing the Quest for Holism from Imperial Forestry to the Organic Farming Movement”

Brett Bennett, *University of Texas at Austin*: “The 1884 Opening of the Forestry School at the Royal Engineering College, Cooper’s Hill: A National, Imperial, or Global Event?”

Joseph Hodge, *West Virginia University*: “The Hybridity of Colonial Knowledge: British Tropical Agricultural Science and African Farming Practices at the End of Empire”

## **Fleur Cowles Room**

### **Being Good: Manners, Conformity, and Religion in the Late Seventeenth Century**

Keith Francis, *Baylor University*: Chair and Discussant

Karen Sonnelitter, *Purdue University*: “The Reformation of Manners Societies, the Monarchy, and the Nation, 1696-1714”

Alexander Marriott, *Clark University*: “Decline Halted: The Glorious Revolution and the Rebirth of ‘Purity’ in New England”

Heather Thornton, *LSU*: “Creating Conformity in the Church of England 1660-1688”

**3:00 – 4:00 PM**

**Prothro Theater, Harry Ransom Humanities  
Research Center**

*Keynote Address*

**Linda Colley, CBE  
Princeton University**

**“Empire, Gender, and Obsession: The worldwide  
political thought of Philip Francis”**

**6:00 – 9:30 PM**

**British Scholar Dinner Party**



**Saturday, 21 February**

**9:00 – 10:15 AM**

**Tom Lea Rooms**

**Defining Britishness**

Martin Wiener, *Rice University*: Chair and Discussant

Ginger Frost, *Samford University*: “Aliens at Birth: Illegitimacy and Nationality in Britain, 1854-1939”

Andrea Geddes Poole, *Trent University*: “Philanthropy as Citizenship: A Study of Two Victorian Women”

Michael Carignan, *Elon University*: “William Hogarth and the Vantage Point of Bourgeois Consciousness”

**Denius Seminar Room**

**True to Self: Reforming the Catholics, Ultra-Tories, and the Image of America in early Victorian Britain**

Anthony Brundage, *Cal Poly Pomona*: Chair and Discussant

Joe Eaton, *National Chengchi University, Taipei*: “The Scots and America: Images of America in the Edinburgh Review, 1802-1828”

Heather Morton, *Centre College*: “Proving Integrity in John Henry Newman’s *Apologia Pro Vita Sua*”

Douglas Simes, *University of Waikato, New Zealand*: “The Ultra Tories as a party of social reform 1828-1834”

## J. A. R. Moseley Room

### **The Architecture of Politics and the Politics of Architecture in Nineteenth and Twentieth Century Britain**

Richard Cleary, *University of Texas at Austin*: Chair and Discussant

Stephen Heathorn, *McMaster University*: “A Tale of Two Bridges: Preservation, Commemoration, Planning and London’s Modernity in the Interwar Years”

Joseph Coohill, *Duquesne University*: “Architecture, Architectural Politics, and the Old Houses of Parliament 1700-1834”

Tarah Carr, *Concordia University, Montreal*: “Palace of Politics: Buckingham Palace and the Whig Reform Agenda of the 1830s”

## Feldman Seminar Room

### **Literature and the Vision of Empire in Victorian England**

Barbara Harlow, *University of Texas at Austin*: Chair and Discussant

Deborah A. Logan, *Western Kentucky University*: “Harriet Martineau on England’s ‘Fit of Absence of Mind’: a History of Victorian Imperialism”

Gretchen Bartels, *University of California, Riverside*: “‘This Shakespeare of Ours’: Victorian Shakespeare, Empire, and the Question of Englishness”

**10:30-11:45 AM**

## **Tom Lea Rooms**

### **Media and the British Empire in War and Peace**

Jason Parker, *Texas A&M University*: Chair and Discussant

Jeffery R. Patterson, *University of Texas at Austin*: “Colonial News Media in the Development of Imperial Identity”

Thomas Hajkowski, *Misericordia University*: “Friends and Allies: Representing Europe in the BBC Home Service during the Second World War”

Aaron Linderman, *Texas A&M University*: “Christian or Secular? Nirad C. Chaudhuri and the Empire as Seen from Inside”

## **Denius Seminar Room**

### **Native Americans in London**

Erika Bsumek, *University of Texas at Austin*: Chair and Discussant

Coll Thrush, *University of British Columbia*: “The Iceberg and the Cathedral: Wonder, Nature, Artifice, and Encounter in London and the Inuit World, 1576-1772”

Ian Chambers, *University of Idaho*: “Indians in the Metropolis: Cherokees in 1730s London”

Duane King, *Gilcrease Museum, Oklahoma*: “A Cross-Cultural Look at Cherokee and British Societies in 1762”

## J. A. R. Moseley Room

### *History, Historians, and Conservatism in Britain and America*

**Reba Soffer**  
**California State University**

Reba Soffer will discuss her new book published by Oxford University Press. *History, Historians, and Conservatism in Britain and America: From the Great War to Thatcher and Reagan* has been chosen for the Roundtable Review in the September 2009 issue of the *British Scholar Journal*.

**11:45 AM – 1:00 PM**

**Break for Lunch**

**1:00 PM – 2:15 PM**

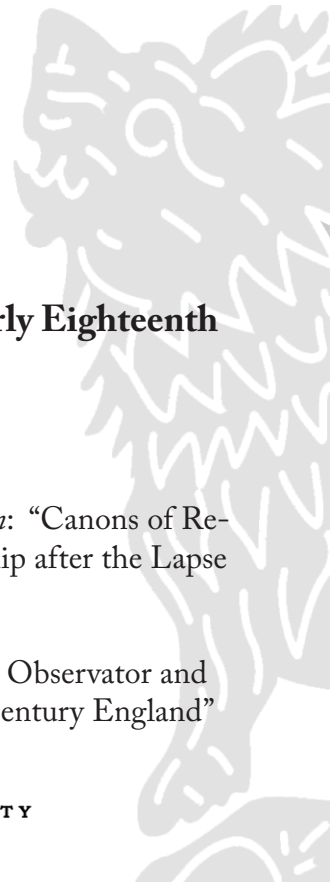
**Tom Lea Rooms**

**Print Culture and Propaganda in the Early Eighteenth Century**

Victor Stater, *LSU*: Chair and Discussant

Alex Barber, *Royal Holloway, University of London*: “Canons of Religious Offence: The Representation of Censorship after the Lapse of Licensing (1695)”

Brian Cowan, *McGill University*: “John Tutchin’s *Observator* and the Limits of Propaganda in Early Eighteenth-Century England”



Bill Bulman, *Princeton University*: “Re-publication in the early eighteenth century”

## **J. A. R. Moseley Room**

### **Being Imperial in a Globalizing World: Travel, Identity, and Science in the British Empire**

Gail Minault, *University of Texas at Austin*: Chair and Discussant

Joan Mickelson Gaughan: “Two Views of Eighteenth Century British India: John MacDonald and William Hickey”

Deborah Wiggins, *Texas Tech University*: “Indian Scientists and the Raj: Ramanujan, Bose and Raman”

Daniel Wold, *University of Texas at Austin*: “An Intellectual History of the Commonwealth”

**2:30 – 4:00 PM**

## **Tom Lea Rooms**

### **‘Imagined Communities’ and News Cultures in the Anglophone World, 1649-1800**

Brian Cowan, *McGill University*: Chair and Discussant

Lindsay O’Neill, *University of Southern California*: “Reading the World: The Newspaper and Community Formation in Later Stuart Britain”

James Wallace, *McGill University*: “News and Networks: Cheap Print in Eighteenth-Century Scotland”

## J. A. R. Moseley Room

### **Jerusalem, the Gospel, and Port: Inventing Nationalities and Identities in the Eighteenth Century**

Eric Zuelow, *University of New England*: Chair and Discussant

Charles C. Ludington, *Duke University*: “Claret, Port, and British Identity Formation”

Brian Russell Franklin, *Texas A&M University*: “Religion and Empire: The Society for the Propagation of the Gospel and the American Revolution”

Jacob Piorkowski, *SUNY-Brockport*: “William Blake: National Icon or Product of Invented Tradition?”

Margaret Sankey, *Minnesota State University Moorhead*: “Trousers OR Savagery: In Which the Hanoverian Government Tries to Refashion the Highlands and Fails Abjectly”

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