

UNIVERSITY OF CAMBRIDGE
FACULTY OF HISTORY



PUBLIC & POPULAR HISTORY
LENT TERM 2015

Wed, 11 February
5 p.m.

The Past on Display: Curating an Exhibition

Panel debate with

Dr Victoria Avery (Curator, Fitzwilliam Museum Cambridge) and
Dr Melissa Calaresu, Dr Mary Laven & Prof Ulinka Rublack (Cambridge)

Venue: Mong Hall, Sidney Sussex College

Wed 25 February
5 p.m.

The Uses of History Blogs

Panel debate with

Dr Lucy Delap, Cambridge (historyandpolicy.org)
Dr Mark Smith, Cambridge (beyondthekremlin.wordpress.com)
& Dr Andrew Thompson, Cambridge (No 10 Guest Historian series)

Venue: Old Library, Sidney Sussex College

Wed, 11 March
5 p.m.

The Impact of History?

Panel debate with

Dr Pedro Ramos-Pinto (Trinity Hall), editor of a forthcoming volume which engages with the variety of uses of history in the early twenty-first century, and Simon Szreter, Professor of History and Public Policy (St. John's).

They will be discussing, together with Professor David Reynolds (Chairman of the Cambridge History Faculty), the increasing importance placed on identifying a measurable 'impact' of academic history, and engage with themes of public history, the politics of history, and the situation of history in the changing world of education.

Venue: Mong Hall, Sidney Sussex College

What happens when history narratives are produced not for library bookshelves but for a mass audience? Does popularization of history automatically mean dumbing down? Who are the people who make history for the public sphere, and what are their motivations and priorities? The Public & Popular History seminar series brings them together, film makers, journalists, professional historians and museum curators. Through talks, multi-media presentations, panel discussions, and debates the seminar explores the practices and characteristics of public and popular history in the contemporary world.

Convenors: Bernhard Fulda (bdf20), David Reynolds (djr17).

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