Public and Popular History
LENT TERM 2020

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Meetings on Wednesdays at 5pm in the Lloyd Room, Third Court, Christ’s College.

22 January

Parliament, History and the Public
Kathryn Rix (History of Parliament Trust) and Mari Takayanagi (Parliamentary Archives) reflect upon the challenges of engaging a wide range of publics with Britain’s rich parliamentary history and heritage.

5 February

Tweeting Historians: On Active Duty in the Rapid Reaction Force

In the era of 24/7 news and social media, how can professional historians combat the fake history and crude clichés that seem all pervasive? A scholarly article or book takes months, even years, to see the light of day.

We hear from some bloggers and tweeters who are part of history’s rapid reaction force,

Dr Robert Saunders (Queen Mary London), a prolific author on 19th and 20th-century British politics, including his acclaimed book Yes to Europe: The 1975 Referendum and Seventies Britain (2018).

Robert is an active blogger: see [http://gladstonediaries.blogspot.com/](http://gladstonediaries.blogspot.com/) Follow him on [https://twitter.com/redhistorian](https://twitter.com/redhistorian)
and also two members of the Faculty’s own Doing History in Public group:

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26 February

**Gendered Agendas: How to Change the Historical Iconography**

Speakers to include **Dr Lucy Delap** and **Dr Ben Griffin** reflecting on their recent exhibition at the University Library ‘The Rising Tide: Women at Cambridge’.