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PUBLIC & POPULAR HISTORY

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Wed, 8 February
5 p.m.

The expansion of YouTube history

Panel debate with

Joe Hall-Patton, producer of 'The Cynical Historian',
(<https://www.youtube.com/@CynicalHistorian>)

Matus Lazar, producer of 'MLaserHistory',
(<https://www.youtube.com/c/MLaserHistory/about>)

Nolan Karimov, business manager of Kings & Generals Network,
(<https://www.kingsandgenerals.net/>)

Zoom details through mailing list (see below)

An increasing number of entrepreneurial history communicators are using YouTube to convey historical narratives and analysis, to hundred of thousands of viewers. We have invited three of these producers, to share with us their analysis of the major trends of YouTube history over the last decade, and to discuss the challenges of reaching an audience that numbers in the millions.

Wed, 15 March
5 p.m.

The Janus face of New Labour's social policies

Talk by

Prof. Glen O'Hara (Oxford Brookes)

Venue: Yusuf Hamied Theatre, Christ's College

[joint session with Modern Social & Economic History & Policy Seminar]

One of the leading contemporary historians of modern British politics will discuss the ideological complexities of New Labour's social policies – and reflect on the political challenges faced by contemporary historians.

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), Helen McCarthy (hm234), David Reynolds (djr17)

The Seminar is grateful for the generous support of the Trevelyan Fund.

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