

## History after Hobsbawm

A conference on the current trajectories of history

Senate House, University of London  
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A major international conference, with plenary speakers and large parallel sessions, exploring where the study of history is currently heading. The conference draws inspiration from the capacious legacy of the late Eric Hobsbawm, but is not a memorial event. We aim, rather, to bring together discussion about what we are currently doing as socially-committed historians and what it means to be an historian in the twenty-first century. Amongst the topics discussed in keynote lectures and panel debates will be empire, world histories, Europe, Latin America, political conflict, class, Marxism, capitalism, environmental history, the crisis of the seventeenth century, the invention of traditions, nationalism, economic history and historical explanation.

The conference is organised by Birkbeck, University of London, where Eric Hobsbawm taught most of his life, and by *Past & Present*, which he co-founded. It will be held with the support and assistance of the Institute of Historical Research, University of London.

Speakers will include Mark Mazower (Columbia), Catherine Hall (UCL), Gareth Stedman Jones (Queen Mary), Chris Wickham (Oxford), Maxine Berg (Warwick), Rana Mitter (Oxford), Geoff Eley (Michigan), Emma Rothschild (Harvard/Cambridge), Prasannan Parthasarathi (Boston), Donald Sassoon (Queen Mary), John Elliott (Oxford), Sanjay Subrahmanyam (UCLA), Geoffrey Parker (Ohio State), Peter Burke (Cambridge), Joanna Innes (Oxford), Renaud Morieux (Cambridge), Lucy Riall (EUI/ Birkbeck), François Jarrige (Bourgogne), Illaria Favretto (Kingston), Antoinette Burton (Illinois), Maya Jasanoff (Harvard), Jan Rüger (Birkbeck), Marjorie Levine-Clark (Colorado), Sonya Rose (Michigan/Birkbeck), Sean Brady (Birkbeck), Jay Winter (Yale), Vivian Bickford-Smith (Cape Town), Camilla Schofield (UEA), Alan Knight (Oxford), Joan Martinez Alier (Barcelona), Paulo Drinot (UCL), Harriet Ritvo (MIT), Paul Warde (UEA), Christof Mauch (Munich), Andy Wood (Durham), Jane Whittle (Exeter), Lucy Robinson (Sussex), Mike Braddick (Sheffield), Stefan Berger (Bochum), Bill Schwarz (Queen Mary), John Breuilly (LSE), Margot Finn (UCL), Pat Hudson (Cardiff), Giorgio Riello (Warwick) and Peter Bailey (Manitoba).

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