Welcome to the Britain and the World Conference 2015

This year’s conference is the eighth convened by The British Scholar Society and the sixth held in Austin, Texas. Our program features 39 panels, a Lunchtime Lecture, two Round-Tables, the Frank M. Turner Memorial Lecture, the Britain and the World Lecture, and the Keynote Address. This year’s program stands out for the diversity of the panels and plenary addresses on offer. This is also the largest Britain and the World Conference to be held in the United States.

The 2015 Conference also marks the end of my tenure as General Editor of The British Scholar Society. It has been an honor and a pleasure serving the field of British history over the past nine years in this capacity. As Martin Farr takes over I am happy to report that the Society has never been stronger. Our journal, Britain and the World, is ranked 35th in the world by the Thomson Reuters Social Sciences Citation Index. The Britain and the World book series continues to publish groundbreaking monographs and anthologies that are defining the study of Britain in the twenty-first century. As evidenced by this year’s program, our conference continues to go from strength to strength. As we move into our second decade next year I am very excited about what the future holds for our Society.
The success of the Society, however, would not be possible without the help and support of our band of dedicated scholars. While numerous volunteers have given us great assistance over the years, certain members of our team deserve special mention. Michelle Brock and Robert Whitaker have helped me to shape the Society from a graduate student-run informational website to the multifaceted organization that exists today. Martin Farr came on board in 2009 and he has been a source of unwavering energy and enthusiasm for the past six years. Michelle, Robert, and Martin are always there for the Society and me. Thank you for your unwavering dedication.

Also, Wm. Roger Louis deserves a great deal of the credit for the intellectual trajectory of the Society. As my supervisor, he encouraged me to start the conference and the journal. It is difficult to believe that it has been almost a decade since I stood in his office as he told me that British historians needed additional outlets to present their research and publish their findings. Then he sent me on my way to see what I might do about this. All along he has supported the Society in countless ways. Thank you for being a constant inspiration and an even better friend, Roger.

My tenure is not the only one that is coming to an end. Gregory Barton, who has served as the Editor-in-Chief of our journal since its foundation in 2008, is stepping aside after the September 2015 issue is sent to press on 1 June. Greg’s dedication to developing a world-class journal has been unwavering over the past eight years. Our journal’s high citation index ranking is incontestable proof that Greg achieved his goal with spectacular success. We will all greatly miss working with Greg on the journal as he focuses on his numerous research projects. Thank you, Greg, for all that you’ve given to the Society over the years.
Every ending truly is a new beginning and the Society is excited to announce that the world-renowned cultural historian of the British Empire, John M. MacKenzie, will be the new Editor-in-Chief of the Britain and the World journal. As many of you will know, John founded the Studies in Imperialism book series that has been published by Manchester University Press since the 1980s. This series brought the cultural study of the British Empire into the mainstream. John has been an inspiration to thousands of historians throughout the world over the past fifty years and we are overjoyed that he will be bringing his penchant for intellectual excellence to our journal.

As the 2015 Conference commences I hope that you will keep an eye on the future and plan to join us for the 2016 Conference in London. The conference will take place at the University of London’s Senate House between 23 and 25 June. We are in the early planning stages but this is sure to be a spectacular event!

On behalf of my fellow conference organizers, Michelle Brock and Robert Whitaker, I welcome you to Britain and the World 2015!

Best wishes,
Bryan Glass
General Editor
Thursday, 2 April 2015

8:30 - 9:30 A.M.

CAPITOL BOARDROOM

Breakfast
*Please note that breakfast will be served all three mornings at the same time. Additionally, all day beverage service will be available in the Capitol Boardroom.

9:00 – 10:00 A.M.

UNIVERSITY HALL
Welcome and Society Business

10:00 – 11:30 A.M.

UNIVERSITY HALL
Anglo-American Relations from the Colonies to the Monroe Doctrine

Chair: Robert Olwell, University of Texas at Austin

Christopher Sparshott, Northwestern University in Qatar: “A Very British Execution? The Controversial Court Martial of Captain Lippincott, 1782”

William Clark, Texas State University: “Monroe’s Mistaken Intent”

Karen Auman, BYU: “Authority and Negotiation: Georgia Salzburgers and the Trustees”
OAKWOOD ROOM A

Violence, Gender, and Unionism in Twentieth-Century Ireland

Chair: Martin Farr, Newcastle University

Bridget Keown, Northeastern University: “Gendering Violence during the Irish War of Independence”

D.C. Shiels, University of Cambridge: “Northern Ireland and the UK Devolution Debate in the 1970s”

WILDFLOWER ROOM

Art and Literature in Early Modern Britain

Chair: Bryan Mann, Texas State University

Robert W. Haynes, Texas A&M International University: “Historical Drama as Personal Legacy: Loose Ends Made Good in Shakespeare’s Henry VIII”

David Black, Independent Scholar: “The Artisan Vanishes; The Riddle of Richard Foster of the Mint”

OAKWOOD ROOM B

Policy and Defense in the Indian Ocean World, 1867-1945

Chair: Robert Whitaker, Tarrant County College

Tiffany Trimmer, University of Wisconsin–La Crosse: “The Frontier That Was Also a Center: British Malaya’s ‘World Position,’ 1867-1939”

11:45 A.M. – 1:15 P.M.

UNIVERSITY HALL

Powers, Politics, and Identities: The Evolution of Trans-Atlantic Relationships

Chair: Eric Zuelow, University of New England

Duncan A. Campbell, National University: “Contesting and Celebrating Continentalism: Great Britain, Canada, the United States and the Napoleonic Wars’ North American Theater”

Neal Allen, Wichita State University: “Anglo-American Race Relations Legislation in the 1960s: Evidence from British and American Constituent Correspondence”

Martin Farr, Newcastle University: “The Thatcher-Reagan Era in a Trans-Atlantic Context”

OAKWOOD ROOM A

Centers and Peripheries in the Global Eighteenth Century

Chair: James Vaughn, University of Texas at Austin

Sven Outram-Leman, University of Stirling: “Senegambia: An Inspiring Failure”

Chloe Northrop, University of North Texas: “Material Self-Fashioning: The Case of Lady Maria Nugent in Jamaica”

Chris Dudley, East Stroudsburg University: “The General Clamour of Excises:’ Re-examining the Elections of 1734 and the Whig Oligarchy”
WILDFLOWER ROOM

Britain and the First World War

Chair: Robert Whitaker, Tarrant County College

Simonetta Florissi, ‘Sapienza’ University of Rome-Italy: “The League of Nations and the Debate on Disarmament (1918-1919)”

Justin Quinn Olmstead, University of Central Oklahoma: “‘All Due Consideration’: Britain and the Restriction of American Trade during the First World War”

OAKWOOD ROOM B

The British Empire in the Mediterranean

Chair: Leslie Rogne Schumacher, Tompkins Cortland Community College

Marco Maria Aterrano: “Saving the Empire: The British Origins of the Allied Planning for Italy, 1939-1941”

Christopher Sutton, University of East Anglia: “Public Ritual in Britain’s Cultural Cold War in Cyprus, 1945-1955”

1:15 – 2:45 P.M.

UNIVERSITY HALL

Lunchtime Lecture

“The National Archives, from Search to Research”

Juliette Desplat
The National Archives, Kew

Lunch will be served.
UNIVERSITY HALL
Sexuality and Britishness from the Nineteenth Century to the 1960s

Chair: Anna Clark, The University of Minnesota

Danielle Smith, Texas State University: “Roger Casement, John Maynard Keynes and Mahatma Gandhi: Exploring Same-Sex Sexuality in the British Empire”

Jonathan Shipe, Florida State University: “What’s Love Got to Do with It? Sexuality and the British Soldier, 1850-1884”

Chet DeFonso, Northern Michigan University: “The Spies Who Came Out from the Cold: Espionage, Media, and the Wolfenden Debates”

OAKWOOD ROOM A
Agents of Empire during the Seventeenth Century

Chair: Michelle D. Brock, Washington and Lee University

Jess Hower, Southwestern University: “Scotland’s First Empire: Scotland, Britain, and the Early Modern Imperial World”

Zachary W. Schulz, Purdue University: “Voices Overlooked: Levant Merchants, Factors, and Diplomats in English Domestic Politics, 1672-81”

Edward J. Gray, Purdue University: “Sir Thomas Roe and the Protestant International”
WILDFLOWER ROOM
Race and Policy in Southern Africa
Chair: Poppy Fry, University of Puget Sound
Sue Onslow, Institute of Commonwealth Studies: “Rhodesian UDI – Lasting Legacies”

OAKWOOD ROOM B
Securing India during the Twentieth Century
Chair: John Brobst, Ohio University
Derek W. Blakeley, McNeese State University: “Lord Curzon, the Imperial Service Troops, and India’s Place in the Empire”
Gerald A. White, Jr, Independent Scholar: “MANNA FROM HEAVEN: Development of Aerial Supply in Burma and India, 1941 – 1943”
4:30 – 6:00 P.M.

UNIVERSITY HALL

*Turner Memorial Lecture*
“Foreign policy from the inside: Reflections of an official historian”

Patrick Salmon
*Foreign and Commonwealth Office*

6:00 – 9:30 P.M.

*Conference Icebreaker*
Doubletree Bar
Featuring the British Scholar Cocktail
Friday, 3 April 2015
9:00 – 10:45 A.M.

UNIVERSITY HALL
British Women in the Twentieth Century

Chair: Reba Soffer, California State University

Bonnie White, St. Francis Xavier University: “Women for the Empire’: Meriel Talbot and the Society for the Overseas Settlement of British Women, 1919–1929”

Julia Laite, Birkbeck, University of London: “Women, mobility, and trafficking in the British World in the early twentieth century”

Gail Savage, St. Mary’s College Maryland: “The War Bride as a ‘Distressed British Subject’: Foreign Office oversight of the GI Bride after the Second World War”

OAKWOOD ROOM A
Navigating and Negotiating the Decolonized World

Chair: Bryan Glass, Texas State University

Blake Whitaker, Texas A&M University: “Her Majesty’s smallest Navy: The Royal East African”

Sue Thompson, Australian National University: “Britain and the West New Guinea Crisis, 1960–61”

Adrian Howkins, Colorado State University: “Imperialism and Decolonization at the End of the World: British Antarctic Policy in the 1950s and 1960s”
WILDFLOWER ROOM

Imperial Anxieties before World War II

Chair: Martin Farr, Newcastle University

Blaine Walker, University of Arkansas: “Perceptions of British Decline in the Late Victorian and Edwardian Periodical Press”

Blake Duffield, University of Arkansas: “Seven Days from my Chief: Official Approaches to Empire in Britain’s Colonial Civil Service, 1900-1930”


OAKWOOD ROOM B

Travel and English Identity in the Stuart Age

Chair: Bryan Mann, Texas State University

Philip Abraham, King’s College London: “Revisiting the English Civil War and Interregnum on Barbados”

Joel Gillaspie University of Mississippi: “The ‘English Turk’: Identity in the Seventeenth Century Mediterranean”

Pádraig Lawlor, Purdue University: “Curious Minds Abroad: Seventeenth Century English Travel Literature”
11:00 A.M. – 12:30 P.M.

UNIVERSITY HALL
Rethinking and Rewriting the Empire

Chair: Katie Kapurch, Texas State University

Chase Erwin, University of Wisconsin—Milwaukee: “What’s ‘in the Writing?’: Literacy and Modernization in Jean Rhys and Marshall McLuhan”

R. Benedito Ferrão, College of William and Mary: “Tempestuously Goan: The Inability of Erasure between Prospero and Caliban”

Lawrence Abrams, University of California Davis: “The Problematic Pacific: new approaches to trans-Pacific historical imperial analysis”

OAKWOOD ROOM A
Seafaring and Mapping in the Early Modern British World

Chair: Jessica Hower, Southwestern University

Alistair Maeer, Southeastern Oklahoma State University: “Illuminating Empire: Imperial impulses and the evolution of British nautical cartography, 1650-1800”


Kevin P. McDonald, Loyola Marymount University: “British America and the Indo-Atlantic World, ca. 1700”
WILDFLOWER ROOM
Decolonization in India and Bengal

Chair: Bryan S. Glass, Texas State University

Michael Ortiz, University of Colorado: “All the Best Matadors Were Fascist: Jawaharlal Nehru, the Indian National Congress, and the Spanish Civil War”

Dharitri Bhattacharjee, University of Texas at Austin: “To Decolonize or Not: Last Colonial Decade in Bengal (1937-1947)”


12:30 – 2:00 P.M.

UNIVERSITY HALL
Lunchtime Roundtable:
Britain after the Referendum

Chair: Michelle D. Brock, Washington and Lee University

Panelists:
R.J.Q Adams, Texas A&M University
Bryan S. Glass, Texas State University
Martin Farr, Newcastle University
D.C. Shiels, University of Cambridge

Lunch will be served.
2:15 – 3:45 P.M.

UNIVERSITY HALL
Violence, Hunger, and Identity in Colonial Africa

Chair: Thom McClendon, Southwestern University

Poppy Fry, University of Puget Sound: “Sunk into South African Soil: Making Sense of Britishness in the 19th-Century Cape Colony and Today”

Jacob Ivey, West Virginia University: “Civil Violence’ and the Concerns of Colonial Rule in Nineteenth Century British Natal”

Jonathan E. Robins, Michigan Technological University: “Food comes first’: creating a ‘food problem’ in colonial Ghana”

OAKWOOD ROOM A
Punishment and Prison Reform in the Nineteenth Century

Chair: Robert Whitaker, Tarrant County College

Hilary M. Carey, University of Bristol: “A real hell upon earth’: the Rev. J. M. Guilding and the Reformation of the Hulks of Bermuda”

Paul Ocoboock, University of Notre Dame: “Jaili Watoto,’ the Children’s Jail: Reforming Young African Offenders at the Edge of Empire”

Robert Whitaker, Tarrant County College: “Captured Images: Prison Based Identification in the British World, 1890-1923”
WILDFLOWER ROOM

Australian Strategies

Chair: John Brobst, Ohio University

Matthew Niendorf, William and Mary: “A Land Not Exactly Flowing with Milk & Honey’: Swan River Mania in the British Isles and Western Australia, 1827-1832”

W. M. Kennedy, University of Sydney: “Defending the ‘South-Eastern Frontier’: Colonial Martial Obligation and the Indianizing of Australia’s Armed Forces, 1885-1911”

Laura Seddelmeyer, Lycoming College: “Australian Ambitions in the 1970s: growing into a ‘grand’ strategy”

OAKWOOD ROOM B

War and Subjecthood in the 18th Century

Chair: Jessica Hower, Southwestern University

Sundar Vadlamudi, University of Texas at Austin: “South Indian Maritime Merchants and British Subjecthood during the Napoleonic Wars”

Christina Welsch, Princeton University: “Cash for Honor, Military Protest, Prestige, and Political Debate in the East India Company Army (1750-1795)”

Sarah Kinkel, Yale University: “Bulwark of liberty or ‘locusts of America’: The Royal Navy in imperial constitutional debates, 1763–76”
4:00 – 6:00 P.M.

UNIVERSITY HALL

Britain and the World Lecture

“The British Empire, Biopolitics, and Human Rights”

Anna Clark

University of Minnesota

6:30 – 9:30 P.M.

Conference Dinner Party

Scholz Beer Garten

The oldest restaurant in Austin, Texas
Saturday, 4 April 2015
9:00 – 10:30 A.M.

UNIVERSITY HALL

The Age of Piracy

Chair: Bryan S. Glass, Texas State University

Jerome Palliser, Independent Scholar: “...Sharing Their Ill-Gotten Wealth”: Exploring Public Perception of the Early 18th Century Pirate”

Tamara Walker, University of Pennsylvania: “[They] proved to be very good sailors’: Black Captives in the South Sea during the Age of Piracy”

Heather Haley, Texas State University: “Romanticized Renegades and Ostentatious Outlaws: The Perpetuation of the Pirate Image”

OAKWOOD ROOM A

Commodities and Consumption in the British World

Chair: Katie Kapurch, Texas State University

Rachel Laudan, Independent Scholar: “British Cuisine in Global Context”


Felicity Barnes, University of Auckland: “British and Best’: Australian commodities and the cultural economy of empire, 1926–1939”
WILDFLOWER ROOM
Gender and Identity in the British Empire
Chair: Leslie Rogne Schumacher, Tompkins Cortland Community College

Matthew B. Parnell, University of Arkansas: “Childishness, Manliness, and the ‘Egypt Question’: The Politics of Gender and Age in the British Discourse on Egypt during the Nineteenth Century”

Jon Moore, Tulane University: “Keys to the British Empire: Britishness, Gender, and the Systemization of an Ideal Representative”

Elizabeth Schmidt, Texas A&M University-Qatar: “Teachers Are Not the Only Ones Teaching: British Women and Educational Rhetoric in Colonial Africa, 1900-1930”

OAKWOOD ROOM B
The Making and Breaking of Imperialism
Chair: Adrian Howkins, Colorado State University

Ian D. T. Hopper, Claremont McKenna College: “Popular Imperialism and the Hidden Sword”

Paula Hastings, University of Toronto: “A Shifting Center of Gravity in the British Empire? Geopolitics, the Panama Canal, and Canada’s ‘Rise’ during the Twentieth Century”

Timothy Nicholson, SUNY Delhi: “British Angst, Pan-African Conferences and the Struggle Against Imperialism in the 1950s and 60s”
10:45 A.M. – 12:15 P.M.

UNIVERSITY HALL
British-European relations from WWII to the Cold War

Chair: Martin Farr, *Newcastle University*

Blake McKinney, *University of Alabama*: “We have Nothing but Affection for Them’: British Baptist Perceptions of German Baptists in the Third Reich”

Wendy Webster, *University of Huddersfield*: “Transnational communities of allies in Britain during the Second World War”

Maciej Stanecki, *University of Warsaw / University of Notre Dame*: “Interdependence, fear or powerlessness - British policy towards Central Eastern Europe in the context of disengagement”

Paul Corthorn, *Queen’s University Belfast*: “Enoch Powell, Opposition to the European Community, and British ‘Decline’”

OAKWOOD ROOM A
Environment, Medicine, and Morality in Victorian Britain

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

Katya Maslakowski, *Loyola University of Chicago*: “‘Cathedrals of Surgery’: St. Bernard’s, teaching hospitals, and the struggle for the soul of Fin de siècle Britain”

WILDFLOWER ROOM
Settler Colonialism and Global Indigeneity, 1845–1914
Chair: Bryan Mann, Texas State University

Matthew Woodbury, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor: “Governor George Grey and New Zealand’s Native Reserves (1845–1854)”

Robert Dewey, DePauw University: “‘They would think we were a race of lunatics’: Sport and Settler Society in early colonial Fiji”

Rajeshwari Dutt, Indian Institute of Technology, Mandi: “Between Two Worlds: British and the Maya in Nineteenth Century Belize”

OAKWOOD ROOM B
Religion and Identity in the Seventeenth Century
Chair: Michelle D. Brock, Washington and Lee University

Gregory A. Michna, West Virginia University: “Roome for his people to plant”: Puritan Settlement in Native America, 1628 to 1650”

Angela Feres, Grossmont College: “British Catholic Identity Formation in the Atlantic World”

Margaret Smith, Saint Louis University: “Proselytization and Profit: Confessionalization and the Church of England in Imperial Russia”
12:15 – 1:45 P.M.

UNIVERSITY HALL

Lunchtime Roundtable

The Study of Britain’s History: Atlantic versus Global Perspectives

Chair: Reba Soffer, California State University

Panelists:
Kevin P. McDonald, Loyola Marymount University
John Brobst, Ohio University
Justin Quinn Olmstead, University of Central Oklahoma
Jeffery R. Hankins, Louisiana Tech University
Malcolm Campbell, University of Auckland

Lunch will be served.

1:45 – 3:15 P.M.

UNIVERSITY HALL

(Mis)Adventures in the Modern Middle East

Chair: Leslie Rogne Schumacher, Tompkins Cortland Community College

Juliette Desplat, National Archives, Kew: “Britain and the shaping of Egyptian national identity, 1919-1922”

Sanket Desai, University of Arkansas: “Scoundrels and Scallywags: Development Dissonance between Britain and the Iraqi Frontier, 1933-1945”

OAKWOOD ROOM A

Anglo-Chinese Relations

Chair: Huaiyin Li, University of Texas at Austin

Dan Du, University of Georgia: “Tea for Two: A Comparison of Chinese and English Tea Culture, 1750-1800”

John M. Carroll, University of Hong Kong: “British Mortality in Early Nineteenth-Century South China”

Cao Yin, National University of Singapore: “A Tale of Two Cities: Sikh Policemen in Singapore and Hong Kong, 1860s-1940s”

WILDFLOWER ROOM


Chair: John Mitcham, Samford University

Jesse Tumblin, Boston College: “A tide in the affairs of men’: Strategic Hope and Fear in the Case of New Zealand-Fijian Federation, 1898-1902”

Cornelis Heere, London School of Economics: “That racial chasm that yawns eternally in our midst’: The British Empire, Asian Migration, and the Politics of Cohesion, 1904-1914”

Bartholomaeus Zielinski, King’s College London: “Britain and the Outbreak of World War One in the Pacific”
OAKWOOD ROOM B

Exhibiting the Empire

Chair: Eric Zuelow, *University of New England*

Trevor Simmons, *University of Texas at Austin*: “Shots and Snapshots in British East Africa: Pioneering the Photographic Safari, 1900-1939”

David DeCamp, *Northeastern University*: “‘The Chimpanzees Request the Pleasure of Your Company’: Zoo Advertising, Empire, and the Tube in Interwar London”

3:30 – 5:00 P.M.

UNIVERSITY HALL

Policies and Politics of Education

Chair: Bryan S. Glass, *Texas State University*


Jeff Grooms, *University of Arkansas*: “The Pandit and the Priest: Clandestine Hedge Schools and British Official Education Policy in Bengal and Ireland during the mid-19th Century”

OAKWOOD ROOM A
Refugees and Humanitarianisms in the 20th Century British World

Chair: Mike Anderson, University of Texas at Austin

Dean Pavlakis, Carroll College: “The 1911 Universal Races Conference and British Humanitarians”


Jennifer Reeve, University of East Anglia: “Empire and Refugees: A Clash of Humanitarianisms”

WILDFLOWER ROOM
Intelligence, Invasion, and Industrialization, 1875-1920

Chair: Robert Whitaker, Tarrant County College

Caralou Rosen, California State University, Fullerton: “A Not So Clear Invasion: An examination of the Second Anglo-Afghan War (1878-1880) and the Critical Role of Afghanistan in the British Imperial Mindset”

Mika Suonpaa, The University of Turku, Finland: “British Military Intelligence in the Balkans, 1875-1918”

Cynthia Campos, King’s College London: “Controversies About the British Role in the Industrialization of Sao Paulo”
OAKWOOD ROOM B
Laborers, Soldiers, and Abolitionists: Irish Emigrants in the Atlantic World

Chair: Jeffery R. Hankins, Louisiana Tech University

Nicole Jacoeger, St. John’s University: “Lowly Laborers: Race, Class, and Identity in British Montserrat, 17th – 19th Centuries”

Micah Alpaugh, University of Central Missouri: “The Irish Volunteer Movement and the American Revolutionary Atlantic”

Angela F. Murphy, Texas State University: “‘This Foul Slavery-Reviving System’: Irish Opposition to the Jamaica Emigration Scheme, 1840-1842”

5:15 – 6:45 P.M.

UNIVERSITY HALL
Keynote Address
“Eastward Enterprises: Colonial Ireland, Colonial India”

Jane Ohlmeyer
Trinity College Dublin

7:00 P.M. to Whenever

Outings in Downtown Austin
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