Welcome to the Fourth British Scholar Annual Conference

Welcome to the 2011 British Scholar Annual Conference. This year our program features 20 panels and one stand-alone lecture in addition to the Frank M. Turner Memorial Lecture and the Keynote Address.

Peter Clarke will provide the inaugural Frank M. Turner Memorial Lecture on Thursday, 31 March entitled “The English-Speaking Peoples Before Churchill.” A. G. Hopkins will deliver the Keynote Address, “The United States, 1783-1861: Britain’s Honorary Dominion?”, on Friday, 1 April. On Saturday, 2 April, Reba Soffer offers us a lecture entitled “Intellectual History, Life, and Fiction.” We expect these talks to provoke a great deal of discussion and debate. Between these lectures and the panels, we are confident that this conference offers something of interest for everyone.

Finally, mark your calendars. The fifth British Scholar Annual Conference will take place in Edinburgh, Scotland at the University of Edinburgh from 21 to 23 June 2012. We hope that all of you will be able to join us for what is sure to be an exceptional event.

We hope you enjoy the 2011 British Scholar Annual Conference. We are always looking for ways to improve our conference, so please feel free to share your questions or concerns with us as they arise. Again, welcome to Austin.

Best wishes,
Michelle Brock
Robert Whitaker
Co-Presidents, Organizing Committee
British Scholar Annual Conference
Thursday, 31 March

1:00 – 2:15 PM

J. A. R. Moseley Room

*Frank M. Turner Memorial Lecture*

“The English-Speaking Peoples Before Churchill”

Peter Clarke
*University of Cambridge*

2:30 – 4:15 PM

Zarrow Family Seminar Room

The Atlantic Populace: Debates about Citizenship, Impressment, and Slavery in the British Empire

Denver Brunsman, *Wayne State University*: Chair and Discussant


Gregory K. Weimer, *Florida International University*: “Prefer Death to such a Life as they deemed Slavery: Rex v. Corbet, Impressment, and Discourses of Power in Colonial America”

J. A. R. Moseley Room

Imperial Cultures in the late 19th and early 20th century

S. Karly Kehoe, *University of the Highlands and Islands*: Chair and Discussant

Fiona Mani, *West Virginia University*: “Hunting and Imperialism: British female hunters in colonial India, 1860-1947”


Nupur Chaudhuri, *Texas Southern University*: “England Under the Gaze of Two Indian Women Travellers in 1885 and in 1947”

Denius Seminar Room

A New Face on an Old Problem: The Politics of Power after the First World War

R. J. Q. Adams, *Texas A&M University*: Chair and Discussant

Joseph Stuart, *University of Mary*: “The Criterion and its Politics between the World Wars”


Daniel Gorman, *University of Waterloo*: “International sovereignty and East African Indians’ campaign for imperial citizenship in the 1920s”
6:00 – 9:00 PM

The Conference Icebreaker
Icenhauer’s – Downtown Austin

Friday, 1 April

8:30 – 10:00 AM

Tom Lea Rooms

Going down with the ship: popular imperialism, historicism, and the garrison mentality in the Atlantic World

Robert Olwell, *University of Texas at Austin*: Chair and Discussant


Hannah Weiss Muller, *Princeton University*: “Rethinking the Garrison Mentality: Gibraltar in the Eighteenth Century”

Lee Slinger, *York University*: “Reviving the Armada: Politics, Queen Elizabeth and the battle over ownership of the British past, 1735-1742”
J. A. R. Moseley Room

Best Laid Plans: International Cooperation in Empire and the World

A. G. Hopkins, University of Texas at Austin: Chair

Michael Anderson, University of Texas at Austin: “All in the Family: British Commonwealth Relations Conference, 1933 – 1965”

Daniel Wold, University of Texas at Austin: “The Commonwealth and the League of Nations”

Robert Whitaker, University of Texas at Austin: “The Booze Cruise on the Danube: Early Missteps in International Police Cooperation, 1918-1935”

Fleur Cowles Room

Victorian Literature at home and abroad

Henry Dietz, University of Texas at Austin: Chair and Discussant

Katya Maslakowski, University of Chicago Divinity School: “A Case of Identity: Contested Representations of Sherlock Holmes and the Formation of the Ideal Liberal Subject”

Scott Culpepper, Louisiana College: “The Adventures of the British Empire: Sir Arthur Conan Doyle’s Presentation, Romanticization, and Exaltation of the British Empire in the Fictitious World of Sherlock Holmes”

10:15 AM – 12:00 PM

Tom Lea Rooms

Buried Legacies: Empire and British institutions, 1870-1930

Philippa Levine, University of Texas at Austin: Chair

Caroline Shaw, Bates College: “British Rights/Human Rights: British, Irish nationalism and the forging of international extradition law, 1870-1900”

Amanda Behm, Yale University: “Opposed Imperialisms: The Founding of the Beit Chair, c. 1904”

Andrew Keating, University of California, Berkeley: “War Cemeteries and the Idea of Imperial Harmony, 1917-1927”

Zarrow Seminar Room

Union at the Periphery

S. Karly Kehoe, University of the Highlands and Islands: Chair and Discussant


Karen Sonnelitter, Purdue University: “Elementary Education in Eighteenth-Century Ireland: The Work of the Incorporated Society for Promoting English Protestant Schools”
J. A. R. Moseley Room

Perceptions and Receptions of Elite Culture in the 19th Century

Anthony Brundage, California State Polytechnic University: Chair and Discussant

Andrea Geddes Poole, Trent University: “Rigoletto in Lambeth”


Nanette Thrush, Chester College Of New England: “History for Sale: Victorian Antiquaries and the Marketing of the Middle Ages”

Denius Seminar Room

Seventeenth-Century Ideologies

Brian Levack, University of Texas at Austin: Chair

J. Suzanne Farmer, University of Mississippi: “Guiding Lights: Political Ideologies and London’s Merchants in the 1680s”


Sharon Arnoult, Midwestern State University: “‘Mother-patterns of Virtue’: Gender ideology and rearing the young gentlewoman in early modern England”
12:00 – 1:00 PM

Break for Lunch

1:00 – 2:30 PM

Tom Lea Rooms

The Second World War

Wm. Roger Louis, University of Texas at Austin: Chair and Discussant

Stefanie Wichhart, Niagara University: “Let us stand by our friends’: Britain’s Political Patronage in Egypt during World War II”

Martin Farr, Newcastle University: “Bombing the people: the Labour Party and Strategic Bombing in the Second World War”

Benjamin Grob-Fitzgibbon, University of Arkansas: “Who Dares Wins: The Remaking of Britain’s Special Air Service in the Postwar Empire”

Zarrow Seminar Room

Industry and Ideologies: Britain in the 18th Century

Denver Brunsman, Wayne State University: Chair

Kevin Murphy, *State University of New York*: “Agrarian Unrest in the British Empire: Munster and New York in the 1760s”


**J. A. R. Moseley Room**

**Visions of Empire: Visual Art in the 19th and 20th centuries**

Xavier Guegan, *Newcastle University*: Chair and Discussant

Scott C. Lesko, *State University of New York, Stony Brook*: “From Hindoo to Hindu: Subjectivity, Spirituality and the Representation of Cultural Nationalism within the Art Photography of Shapoor N. Bhedwar”

Gail Hook, *Northern Virginia Community College*: “Photographs and postcards from the Holy Land: American and British views of Palestine before and during the British mandate period”

3:00 – 4:30 PM

Prothro Theater

Keynote Address

“The United States, 1783-1861: Britain’s Honorary Dominion?”

A. G. Hopkins

University of Texas at Austin
Walter Prescott Webb Professor of History

6:00 – 9:30 PM

The British Scholar Society Dinner Party
Saturday, 2 April

9:00 – 10:45 AM

Tom Lea Rooms

The Crisis of Identity in Britain and the World

Jason Parker, *Texas A&MS University*: Chair and Discussant

Christopher J. Lee, *University of North Carolina*: “Federation and Failure: Multiculturalism, Late Liberalism, and Decolonization in British Central Africa”


Felicity Barnes, *University of Auckland*: “Bringing Another Empire Alive? The Empire Marketing Board and the Construction of Dominion Identity, 1926-33”

Zarrow Seminar Room

Defining and Contesting Empire in the 18th and 19th centuries

Jeffery Hankins, *Louisiana Tech University*: Chair and Discussant

Carolee Pollock, *Grant MacEwan University*: “Thomas Walker’s Ear: The Justices of the Peace and Legitimate Administration in
Quebec, 1764-1774”

Leland J. Bellot, California State University, Fullerton: “William Pitt the Elder, Imperialist: The Iconographic Evidence at Stowe”

George Christian, University of Texas at Austin: “Disraeli’s ‘Tancred, or the New Crusade’ and Palmerston’s Eastern Policy”

**J. A. R. Moseley Room**

**Decolonization and (In)Security at the End of Empire**

Martin Farr, Newcastle University: Chair and Discussant

Jodi Burkett, University of Portsmouth: “The end of empire at home: Responses to ‘Black’ immigration in Britain and France


John Brobst, Ohio University: “A ‘Strategic Unity’? The Indian Ocean in British Naval Thinking”

**Denius Seminar Room**

**Marriage and Divorce Empire Style**

Lisa Moore, University of Texas at Austin: Chair and Discussant

Gail Savage, St. Mary’s College of Maryland: “Domestic Unhappiness; Global Possibilities: Marriage and Divorce on an Imperial Stage, 1858-1908”
Jonathan Shipe, *Lynchburg College*: The Divorce Reform Act of 1857 and Empire

Carolyn Anne Day, *Tulane University*: “Altogether a Strange Production,’ Alexander Walker’s Intermarriage”

11:00 – 12:30 PM

**Tom Lea Rooms**

**Human Rights and the End of Empire**

Benjamin Grob-Fitzgibbon, *University of Arkansas*: Chair and Discussant

Megan Myers, *Boston College*: “Rights for Suspected Terrorists and Their Victims, The International Human Rights Debate Over the Northern Ireland Conflict”


Mark Doyle, *Middle Tennessee State University*: “Massacre by the Book: Amritsar and the rules of public-order policing in Britain and India”

**J. A. R. Moseley Room**

**The practical, spiritual and other worldly influence of industry and science in the 19th century**

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

Sumathi Ramanath, *University of Texas at Dallas*: “Occult Ideas in Victorian Britain”

Jessica Karagöl, *Heidelberg University*: “A pleasant thought that we are able to annihilate distance’: The Electric Telegraph and changing perceptions of time and space”

**Fleur Cowles Room**

**The Consequences of Imperial Intervention**

Gail Minault, *University of Texas at Austin*: Chair and Discussant

Timothy R. Lay, *Marquette University*: “From Napier to Elgin: Thirty Years of Palmerstonian Intervention in China”

Wm. Matthew Kennedy, *University of Texas at Austin*: “‘Points and Lines:’ the crisis of Anglo-Japanese railway imperialism in China, 1911-1921”

Brandon Marsh, *Bridgewater College*: “The End of Empire and Indian Political Service”

**12:30 – 2:00 PM**

**Break for Lunch**
2:00 – 3:45 PM

Tom Lea Rooms

Lecture

“Intellectual History, Life, and Fiction”

Reba Soffer

California State University Northridge

4:00 – 4:30 PM

Tom Lea Rooms

Closing Remarks and Presentation of the Wm. Roger Louis Prize

Saturday Evening:

Outings around Austin
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