The Reluctant Internationalists

International London Walking Tours
London can sometimes seem like it’s the centre of the world. In three historical walking tours examining Wartime, Epidemic, and Communist London, we will explore the city as the home of international projects.
The Reluctant Internationalists Project:
The Reluctant Internationalists project inspects the history of international collaboration and ambitions of medical professionals, politicians, generals, diplomats and policy-makers in twentieth century Europe.

The four-year project, funded by Dr Jessica Reinisch’s Wellcome Trust Investigator Award, examines the origins of such policies, consequences and lasting legacies.

Tour 1: Wartime London
Many governments-in-exile were based in London during WWII. This walk, led by Dr Jessica Reinisch through Belgravia and Westminster explores the physical proximity of exile and British politicians.

1.) 11am: Meet outside 43 Eaton Square

2.) 20 minute walk, St James Palace

3.) 5 minute walk, Chatham House, 10 St James Square

4.) 20 minute walk, 11 & 19 Portland Place
Tour 2: Epidemic London
This tour through Bloomsbury, led by Dr Dora Vargha, explores responses to global epidemics, which in turn shaped international epidemic management.

1.) 1pm: Meet at Wellcome Collection, 183 Euston Rd

2.) Joseph Lister Memorial, Portland Place

3.) Nursing and Midwifery Council, 23 Portland Place

4.) The Royal Society of Medicine, 1 Wimpole Street

5.) London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine, Keppel Street
Tour 3: Communist London
London was far more important than Moscow in the international socialist and communist movement before 1917. This walk through Soho, led by Dr Ana Antic and Dr Johanna Conterio, will explore the base of leading activists and highlights London’s links with continental Europe.

1.) 3pm: Meet outside Queen’s Theatre, 51 Shaftesbury Ave

2.) The Queen’s Hall, Langham Place

3.) The Communist Club, 107 Charlotte Street

4.) British Museum, Great Russell Street

5.) Lenin’s Residence, 36 Tavistock Place

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