London Renaissance Seminar
Programme Autumn 2019

Autumn Events held at School of Arts, Birkbeck College, 43 Gordon Square, London WC1H 0PD

Thinking with Tudors: Palaces, Books and Lady Jane Grey
Saturday 26 October, Times and room tbc

Join us to explore how scholars are approaching the Tudors now – from palaces to parishes. Speakers will discuss the birthplace of Lady Jane Grey and what recent excavations mean for myth and history; what we can learn from the London parish where her sister worshipped and how we need to look again at the Tudor book trade. Speakers will include Richard Thomas on archaeology, Lou Horton on Mary Grey and Michelle O’Callaghan on writers, books and the book trade.

Power and Objects in Portraiture: LRS and Paris Early Modern Seminar
Friday 6 December. Note dual location: Birkbeck and National Portrait Gallery

Portraits are an extraordinary source of clues to Renaissance life and power. Join us to explore what happens when we put portraits alongside literature, history and things. In this event with our colleagues from Paris, speakers from France, the UK and beyond will explore what portraits tell us about early modern power. Speakers will be drawn from Britain and France. We are at present open for offers to contribute so if you are interested in potentially speaking or participating in a workshop contact s.wiseman@bbk.ac.uk.

Draft Schedule (timings tbc):
9.30-13.00 /13.30 Workshops
13.00/13.30 Lunch
14.30/15.00 Convene upper foyer National Portrait gallery (to left of ticket desk)
15.00-16.30 Portraits and power: presentations and discussion
16.30-17.00 Tea break in NPG cafe
17.00-18.30 Portraits and power: presentations and discussion

The London Renaissance Seminar (LRS) is a forum for the discussion of all aspects of early modern history, literature, and culture. It meets regularly at Birkbeck School of Arts, 43 Gordon Square. Anyone with a serious academic interest in the Renaissance is welcome and no registration is necessary.

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