

CAMBRIDGE HISTORY FORUM

SPEAKERS SINCE 1986

8 March 1986

Tim Blanning (Sidney Sussex): 'The French Revolution'

Hugh Brogan (Essex): 'The value of American History'

Valerie Pearl (New Hall): 'Gardens and cookery books in seventeenth-century London'

7 March 1987

Boyd Hilton (Trinity): 'Religion and the dogma of free trade in nineteenth-century Britain'

Roger Schofield (Clare): 'Reconstructing the Population History of England: an example of collaboration between local and University historians'

Lord Dacre (Peterhouse): 'The Continuity of Revolution in Seventeenth-Century England'

5 March 1988

John Röhl (Sussex): 'The First World War - some recent developments in the continuing controversy'

David Morgan (School of Oriental and African Studies, London): 'The Mongol Impact on Europe'

John Vincent (Bristol): 'Thatcherism'

4 March 1989

John Adamson (Peterhouse): 'Barons' Wars and Civil Wars - England 1639-1651'

John Iliffe (St John's): 'The History of Famine in Africa'

Philip Bell (Liverpool): 'Origins of the Second World War'

10 March 1990

Gillian Sutherland (Newnham): 'Assessing Children - A Historical Perspective'

Patrick Collinson (Trinity): 'Religion in the England of Shakespeare's Youth'

Jonathan Haslam (King's): 'The Foreign Policy of the Soviet Union'

2 March 1991

Jim Smyth (Trinity Hall): 'Nineteenth-Century Ireland: new perspectives'

Eamon Duffy (Magdalene): 'Popular religion in the sixteenth century'

Jonathan Steinberg (Trinity Hall): 'The Holocaust'

7 March 1992

Rosemary Horrox (Newnham): 'Richard III: King or anti-king?'

Mark Goldie (Churchill): 'The Hilton Gang: religious persecution in the 1680s'

Susan Bayly (Christ's): 'Fundamentalism and nationhood in India: the battle to repossess India's history'

6 March 1993

Tim Blanning (Sidney Sussex): 'The French Revolution and the primacy of Foreign Policy'

Susan Brigden (Lincoln College, Oxford): 'The English Reformation'

B.W. Collins (Buckingham): 'Southern Secession Revisited'

5 March 1994

Christine MacLeod (Bristol): 'Whatever happened to the Industrial Revolution?'

John Henderson (Wolfson): 'Plague and Society in early modern Italy: the case of Florence'

Mike Sewell (Selwyn): 'The Decline of Britain: the Rise of the USA'

4 March 1995

John Morrill (Selwyn): 'Oliver Cromwell'

Tony Badger (Sidney Sussex): 'The Civil Rights Movement'

Bob Scribner (Clare): 'Luther, Zwingli and Calvin: one reformation or many?'

2 March 1996

David Smith (Selwyn): 'Oliver Cromwell: Where do we stand?'

Jonathan Parry (Pembroke): 'Gladstone: Can we make sense of his character?'

John Barber (King's): 'Stalin reassessed'

8 March 1997: Theme: 'Memoirs and Biography'

Peter Clarke (St John's): 'Margaret Thatcher's place in history'

Eric Evans (Lancaster): '*Lives and Lives and Times: Reflections on Historical Biographies*'

Piers Brendon (Churchill): 'Churchill: views and reviews'

28 February 1998: Theme: 'From Cradle to Grave'

Ole Grell (Cambridge Wellcome Unit): 'The social and religious rationale for a new system of welfare in early modern Europe'

Ruth Richardson (University College, London): 'Dr Joseph Rogers and the Reform of Workhouse Medicine'

Ray Jobling (St John's): 'The Welfare State, 1948-1998'

6 March 1999: Theme: 'Revolution'

- John Sutton (Anglia): 'Anatomy of the English Revolution, 1640-1660'
Chris Clark (St Catharine's): 'The 1848 Revolutions: a crisis of legitimacy?'
Justin Webb (the BBC): 'Reporting revolution - a journalist's view of political upheaval'

4 March 2000: Theme: 'Fins de Siècle'

- Peter Martland (Trinity Hall): 'Listening to the Century - the 1890s'
Gary Dickson (Edinburgh): 'The Medieval *Fin de Siècle*, 1000-1500'
Natalie Mears (Swansea): 'The 1590s and the end of the Elizabethan era - but what kind of end?'

3 March 2001: Theme: 'Odysseys and Voyages of Discovery'

- Max Jones (Christ's): 'Between science and adventure: Captain Scott's voyages of discovery'
Kate Pretty (Homerton): 'The Vikings in the North Atlantic'
Bernard Hamilton (Nottingham): 'The search for Prester John's elusive kingdom'

16 March 2002: Theme: 'Ireland'

- Rory Rapple (Oxford): 'The Rhetoric of Violence in Sixteenth Century Ireland'
Eugenio Biagini (Robinson): 'Gladstone and the late-Victorian attempts to "pacify Ireland"'
Peter Martland (Pembroke): 'Interpreting Ireland: John McCormack and the Irish Diaspora, 1910-1950'

15 March 2003: Theme: 'Anniversaries'

- Mike Sewell (Selwyn): 'The Cuban Missile Crisis after Forty Years: New Evidence and New Perspectives'
John Guy (Clare): 'Making Sense of Elizabeth I'
Chris Ward (Robinson): 'Stalin and the Purges of the 1930s: What the Specialists Think'

13 March 2004: Theme: 'War and its Legacy'

- Tim Blanning (Sidney Sussex): 'The Wars of Italian and German Unification'
Dan Todman (Queen Mary, University of London): 'The Legacy of Total War: Britain, 1919-1998'
Rosemary Horrox (Fitzwilliam): 'The Wrong Sort of War? Honour in the Wars of the Roses'

12 March 2005: Theme: ‘Turning Points that did not Turn’

- Mark Nicholls (St John’s): ‘Why "Remember, Remember the Fifth of November"? The Significance of the 1605 Gunpowder Plot’
Holger Hooek (Selwyn): ‘Trafalgar: The strategic and cultural significance of a naval battle’
Hubertus Jahn (Clare): ‘Russia in 1905: Revolution as a Crisis of Modernity’

11 March 2006: Theme: ‘Constitutional Dictators?’

- Colin Davis (University of East Anglia): ‘Oliver Cromwell and the Dilemma of Constitutional Rule’
Michael Sonenscher (King’s): ‘The First Empire and its Historical Significance’
John Pollard (Trinity Hall): ‘Mussolini as a Constitutional Dictator’

17 March 2007: Theme: ‘Evil Empires?’

- Sean Lang (Anglia Ruskin): ‘The British Empires and its Young’
Kevin Ruane (Canterbury Christ Church): ‘American Imperialism in the Twentieth Century’

1 March 2008: Theme: “‘Good Queen Mary, Bad Queen Bess?’ Tudor Monarchy Reassessed’

- Richard Rex (Queens’): ‘Mary I and Elizabeth I, 1553-1563: A Short Comparison’
Stephen Alford (King’s): ‘Tudor Monarchy and its Critiques’

7 March 2009: Theme: ‘How Wars End’

- Gill Bennett (Foreign and Commonwealth Office): ‘1945: The End of the Second World War’
Mike Sewell (Selwyn): ‘1989: The End of the Cold War’

13 March 2010: Theme: ‘The Fall of Tyrants?’

- David Smith (Selwyn): ‘The Fall of the British Republic’
Philip Morgan (University of Hull): ‘The Fall, and Fall of Mussolini’

19 March 2011: Theme: ‘Winners and Losers in History’

- Andrew Pettegree (St Andrews): ‘The Reformation: Profit and Loss’
Edward Acton (East Anglia): ‘Who won the twentieth century in Europe: the Left or the Right?’

3 March 2012: Theme: ‘Catastrophes’

- Mark Bailey (East Anglia; and St Paul’s School): ‘The Black Death: Environmental Disaster or Economic Opportunity?’
Peter Fearon (Leicester): ‘Lessons from the 1930s Great Depression’

9 March 2013: Theme: ‘1963 – Fifty Years On’

Tony Badger (Clare): ‘Martin Luther King – Who Needs Him?’

Mike Sewell (Selwyn): ‘JFK in the Post-Cuban Crisis Moment’

Richard Davenport-Hines: ‘The Profumo Affair – the English Modernisation Crisis of 1963’

1 March 2014: Theme: ‘How Wars Begin’

David Smith (Selwyn): ‘The Outbreak of the English Civil War’

Adam Smith (University College, London): ‘The Outbreak of the American Civil War’

Chris Clark (St Catharine’s): ‘The Outbreak of the First World War’

7 March 2015: Theme: ‘Nationalisms’

Clare Jackson (Trinity Hall): ‘Seventeenth-Century Nationalisms in the British Isles – and Twenty-first Century Constitutional Resonances?’

John Pollard (Trinity Hall): ‘Religion and Nationalism in Modern European History’

Archie Brown (St Anthony’s College, Oxford): ‘Nationalisms in the Soviet Union and its successor states in comparative context’

5 March 2016: Theme: ‘United Europe?’

Susan Brigden (Lincoln College, Oxford): ‘Reformation Diplomacy: Henry VIII and his Ambassadors’

Tim Blanning (Sidney Sussex): ‘Napoleon and the destruction of Europe’

Jonathan Steinberg (University of Pennsylvania; and Trinity Hall): ‘The European Union and the “Democratic Deficit”: is there one, how did it arise and can anything be done about it?’

4 March 2017: Theme: ‘Revolutionaries and Revolutions’

Robert Tombs (St John’s): ‘The Marxists’ Model Revolution’

Chris Read (University of Warwick): ‘Russia in 1917’

Jonathan Davis (Anglia Ruskin): ‘The aftermath and legacy of the Russian Revolutions’

3 March 2018: Theme: ‘Peace in our Time?’

Brendan Simms (Peterhouse): ‘Westphalia, 1648: an order for Germany and Europe and a model for the Middle East’

Adam Zamoyski: ‘The Congress of Vienna, 1814-15’

Geoffrey Hicks (East Anglia): ‘From Versailles to Munich, 1918-38’

9 March 2019: Theme: ‘Regime change(s)’

Andrew Spencer (Murray Edwards): ‘England, 1399: from Richard II to Henry IV’

David Smith (Selwyn): 'The English Revolution of 1649'
Hanno Balz (Trinity Hall): 'The Nazi takeover in Germany, 1933/4'