

The Gerald Aylmer Seminar 2012 Locating the Past

- **Date:** Wednesday 29 February 2012
- **Venue:** The Chancellors Hall, Institute of Historical Research, Senate House, London
- **Hosted by:** The Royal Historical Society, the Institute of Historical Research, and The National Archives
- **Theme:** Locating the Past: The conference will explore the changing interface between history and geography, asking scholars from a range of related disciplines and sub-disciplines to identify how their field of expertise is being transformed by new approaches and technologies.

Attendance is free but numbers will be limited; please reply to research@nationalarchives.gsi.gov.uk to reserve a place.

Programme

9:30am – 9:50am: Coffee and registration

9:50am – 10:00am: Welcome by Colin Jones

10:00am – 10:30am: Introduction by Humphrey Southall

10:30am – 11:45pm: Panel 1: **SOURCES:**

Chair: Valerie Johnson (The National Archives)

(10:30am – 11:15pm): Three 15 minute presentations by:

- Kimberley Kowal (British Library)
- Dominic Fontana (Portsmouth University)
- Andrew Hudson-Smith (CASA/UCL, Tales of Things: Electronic Memory project)

(11:15pm – 11:45pm) open discussion

11:45am – 12:00pm: New approaches and technologies at The National Archives by David Thomas

12:00pm – 12:45pm LUNCH

12:45pm – 2:00pm: Panel 2: **APPLICATIONS/RESEARCH QUESTIONS:**

Chair: Miles Taylor (the Institute of Historical Research)

(12:45pm – 1:30pm): Three 15 minute presentations by:

- Ian Gregory (Lancaster University)
- Richard Coates (UWE University)
- Nigel Walford (Kingston University)

(1:30pm – 2:00pm) open discussion

2:00pm – 3:15pm: Panel 3: **AUDIENCES AND ENGAGEMENT**: Working with Commercial partners to develop and/or use new technologies to create information about places and to consider questions of public management and impact

Chair: Colin Jones (The Royal Historical Society)

(2:00pm – 2:45pm): Three 15 minute presentations by:

- Caroline Kimbell (The National Archives)
- Bruce Gittings (Edinburgh University)
- Nick Stanhope (Historypin)

(2:45pm – 3:15pm) open discussion

3:15pm – 3:45pm TEA BREAK

3:45pm – 4:45pm: Keynote speech: 'Place and the politics of the past' by Tim Hitchcock (University of Hertfordshire)

4:45pm – 5pm: Closing comments