

# Centre for Gender History

bringing together one of the largest concentrations of gender historians in the UK



After a lengthy campaign, **Glasgow Women's Library** has been successful in securing **Maud Joachim's medal** recognising the first strike in Scottish history. GWL received grant from the Scottish Government's National Fund for Acquisitions and an 'incredible £28,000 raised in individual donations from around 500 people' to make this happen. The Centre is delighted that a key piece of Scottish feminist history will be taking up residence in Glasgow.

# News from our members

## Publications and prizes



Our warm congratulations to PGR **Anna McEwan** whose work has been selected for the **German History Society Postgraduate Essay Prize**.

For Anna, this success not only entails a **£500 prize** but the **publication** of her paper in *German History*. We look forward to reading 'Gendered Forms of State Assistance in the DFD-Beratungsstellen (1971-1990)' when it is published.



Another PGR success comes from **Charlotte James Robertson**, who has recently **published her article** 'The women's refuge as 'homeplace': Black and Asian women's refuges in Britain as spaces of community and resistance (1980-2000) in *Women's History Review*.

This is an insightful look into specialist refuges as spaces where ethnic minority women could 'heal from abuse, foster community, and find their political voices'.

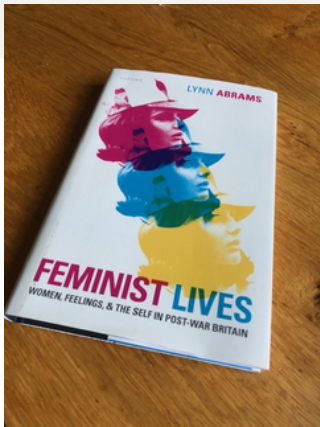


PhD student **Hannah Speed** contributed a **blog post** to *Women's History Scotland*, 'Women Readers' Letters to the *Glasgow Forward*, 1906-1919', a fascinating glimpse into the issues on women readers' minds.

*Scottish Archives* will soon publish more of Hannah's work: 'The Edinburgh movement for women's higher education through the eyes of its founder: what the writings and biography of Mary Crudelisu reveal about the campaign (1866-1877)?' (2024).

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Congratulations to **Professor Lynn Abrams** on the **publication** of her latest **book**, *Feminist Lives: Women, Feelings, and the Self in Post-War Britain*. A fresh perspective on the post-war decades that foregrounds the personal testimony of 'ordinary' women, *Feminist Lives* asks: what did women feel and how did they act upon those feelings?

The *Feminist Lives* book launch (Fri 8 Dec) will feature Lynn in conversation with Professor Lucy Dulap (University of Cambridge). *Full details on page 5.*

## Conferences and symposiums *past*

### Encountering Children of Empire (14 and 15 September 2023)

Colleagues from the Centre for Gender History and the Beniba Centre for Slavery Studies, **Dr Peggy Brunache**, **Dr Shantel George**, and **Dr Christine Whyte** took their research to Culzean Castle as speakers at this conference.

The two-day event explored the **histories of children in colonial spaces** through panels, papers, and breakout sessions. Students from Glasgow, introduced by Christine, delivered a session on 'Reparative Justice and the British Country House' to explore the relationship between heritage sites and their colonial pasts.

### The Issue of Truth: Representing Black British History (21 and 22 September 2023)

PGR student **Marianna Golinucci** recently **delivered a paper** 'The Issue of Truth: interrogating the archives, recovering Black Scottish voices' at [this conference](#) at the Institute of Historical Research.

Marianna's work contributed to a wider panel on social histories, chaired by Caroline Brassey (author of *Empire, Race, and the Politics of Anti-Caste*, 2017).



# News from our members

Conferences and symposiums  
*upcoming*



## Women and Children as Sites of Intervention: Past, Present, Future (18 to 19 October 2023)

Dr Maud Bracke will be a **panel speaker** at the upcoming Annual Pierre du Bois Conference. This event will explore how motherhood and the family have often been 'centred...within a diverse set of political and social projects'. Maud will contribute to a **roundtable** on '**Sex and reproductive politics, past and present**'.

## Women's Bodies, Women's Rights: Health Feminism, Reproductive Knowledge and Women's Activism Across Europe in the long 20th Century (19 to 21 October 2023)

Maud has also been invited to give the **keynote speech** at a conference taking place at the University of Konstanz in Germany. This event aims to examine how women gained, generated, and communicated health knowledge in this period, and to discuss its associated 'demands for civil rights, political agency, and grass-root activism'.

*The Centre for Gender History is proud to see a member's work recognised in this way, and wishes Maud all the best for her upcoming events.*

## Lecturer in LGBTQ+ history or history of sexuality

The Centre for Gender History recently advertised a **full-time lecturing post** in **LGBTQ+ History or History of Sexuality**. Applications closed on 3 October 2023.

We eagerly look forward to welcoming our new colleague. Both staff and students lobbied for the creation of this post, and we are confident that this new member's contributions to the Centre's teaching and research community will be invaluable. Eyes peeled for the announcement...





# Seminar series 2023-24

Papers are circulated in advance; presenters offer a short summary and a discussant opens up lines for discussion.

## semester one

Our seminars will be held from 2-3.30pm in Room 329, 6 The Square unless otherwise stated. All events are hybrid.

**Wednesday  
18 October  
2023**

**Nick Mayhew, School of Modern Languages and Cultures, University of Glasgow**

'Regendering Orthodox Saints in Post-Soviet Russia'

**Wednesday  
15 November  
2023,**

**Ian Forrest, History, University of Glasgow**

*Joint with the Medieval Research seminar (3-5pm, location TBC)*

'Fragments of a Feminist History of the Medieval Clergy?'

**Wednesday  
29 November  
2023**

**Annie Pohlman, Visiting Professor, University of Queensland; Erin Jessee, University of Glasgow**

'The Symbolic Value of Gender-Based Violence in the Genocides in Bosnia, Indonesia and Rwanda'

**Friday  
8 December  
2023**

**Book Launch: Lynn Abrams, *Feminist Lives: Women, Feelings and the Self in Post-War Britain***

*(3.30-5.30pm, location TBC)*

in conversation with Lucy Delap, University of Cambridge

## semester two

Our seminars will be held from 2-3.30pm in Room 355, Gilbert Scott Building (unless otherwise stated). All events are hybrid.

**Wednesday  
31 January  
2024**

**Jessica White, University of Liverpool**

'White women's experiential expertise on British council housing estates'

**Wednesday  
21 February  
2024**

**Anna Becker, Aarhus University, Denmark**

'Oriental Despotism before *despotisme oriental*? Female Bodies and Mughal Regime in English and French Political Thought'

**Wednesday  
13 March  
2024**

**Monica Fernandes, Brunel University**

*title TBC*

# Hufton Postgraduate Reading Group



## Programme of Events Semester 1 2023

<p><b>Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> October, 3:30pm</b></p> <p>Thompson room, 3 Uni Gardens</p>	<p><b>Welcome Event and Book Swap</b></p> <p>Social welcome event and book swap. Bring along a book you've read and you'll get a book to take home!</p>
<p><b>Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> October, 3:30pm</b></p> <p>Thompson room, 3 Uni Gardens</p>	<p><b>MSc Dissertation Talks</b></p> <p>Join us to hear about recent MSc Gender History Graduates' dissertation research.</p>
<p><b>Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> November, 2:30pm</b></p> <p>Thompson room, 3 Uni Gardens</p>	<p><b>Jeehan Ashercook and Shruti Shukla</b> (University of Glasgow)</p> <p>Erasure Poetics: Decolonial Feminist Responses to 'Othering'</p>
<p><b>Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> November, 3:30pm</b></p> <p>Thompson room, 3 Uni Gardens</p>	<p><b>Julia Vallius</b> (University of Glasgow)</p> <p>'Looking for Women in Medieval Documents'</p>
<p><b>Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> December, 3:30pm</b></p> <p>Thompson room, 3 Uni Gardens</p>	<p><b>End of term film screening</b></p> <p>Film TBC!</p>

All events will be in person with the option to attend remotely via Zoom  
For more information or Zoom links please email [arts-hufton@glasgow.ac.uk](mailto:arts-hufton@glasgow.ac.uk)

# Black History Month Scotland



Scotland celebrates Black History Month this October with a diverse range of events from walking tours to variety shows and beyond. Events can be found across the country, but here's a few coming up in Glasgow.

- A** **PORTRAITS | Sat 30 Sep to Tues 31 Oct | Hillhead Library**  
Ajamu - 'Future Histories: Celebrating the Scottish Diaspora'
- B** **ARCHIVE SCREENING | Mon 16 Oct | Glasgow Film Theatre (5.30-7.50pm)**  
The New Scots: 30+ Years On (docu-series screening and panel)
- TALK | Tue 24 Oct | The Deep End (6.30-8pm)**  
Angela Davis: Women, race and class
- HERITAGE | Fri 27 Oct | Glasgow Museums Resource Centre (2.30-3.30pm)**  
Ivory, Apes and Peacocks: Painting an Ethiopian Queen

# Other events and calls for papers

**Screening Politics - Film Festivals, Archives and Cinematic Exhibition in the Cold War** (University of St Andrews, Friday 10 to Sunday 12 November 2023)

**Anna McEwan** has co-organised a workshop for the above event for doctoral candidates and researchers working on Cold War culture. The workshop will use roundtables and short presentations to generate discussion on the 'politics' of showing films. Attendees will also enjoy an evening film screening event.

**Women's History Scotland programme**

**WHS** has released its new programme for Autumn/Winter 2023. All sessions run for an hour and a half to allow speakers and audience to 'share research, rabbit holes, and much more!'. Next up is Dr Sheilagh Quile in a 'Show Us Your Sources' session on **Wednesday 28 October, 7-8.30pm**.

**Dépot | Call for papers: Gender, Family and Deindustrialization** (25 to 26 June 2024)

**Dépot** will hold its third annual conference in summer 2024 and welcomes proposals, three-presentation panels, and roundtables which address any aspect of gender, family, and deindustrialization. More information on research themes, deadlines, and potential publication opportunities can be found on their website.

## Contact us Email and socials

**The Centre for Gender History** can be contacted via our email address [arts-genderhistory@glasgow.ac.uk](mailto:arts-genderhistory@glasgow.ac.uk).

Our newsletter is compiled quarterly, and we like to feature news from our affiliated organisations across Glasgow and alumni as well as from our current members. Just get in touch.

Keep an eye on our social for events and announcements!



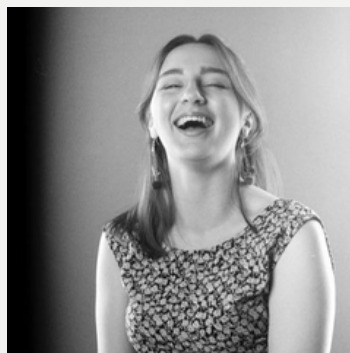
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I'm **Alana McPake**, the new social media officer for the CGH. I'm steadily approaching the third year of my PhD on women's clothing practices post-WWII.

On behalf of the CGH, I'd like to thank **Marianna Golinucci** for the fantastic work she did in this post. (And, personally, for all her help in getting me started!)

**A new face behind the socials**