

Power, Slavery, and Culture in the Trans-Atlantic World: A Conference in Memory of Trevor Burnard

DAY ONE

MONDAY 30TH JUNE 2025

Introductions: 9am

Claire Langhamer

Mark Peterson & Phil Withington

Panel 1: 9:10-10:40 Plantations and Economies

Phil Withington, Chair

Maxine Berg, 'Plantations and the Political Economy of the Mercantile System'

Pierre Gervais, 'Planters, Merchants, Capitalists'

Peter Mancall, 'Agricultural Practice in the Americas and Enslavement'

Nuala Zahedieh, 'Early English Jamaica'

Break

Panel 2: 11:00-12:30 Atlantic Slave Trade

Mark Peterson, Chair

Stephen Mullen, 'Credit, Kingston Merchants and the Atlantic Slave Trade in the Eighteenth Century Revisited'

Sophie White, 'His Master's Grace': Extrajudicial Violence, Punishment, and Mercy in Atlantic Slave Societies'

Nicholas Radburn, 'El Dorado or 'Fairy Gold:': The Profits of the South Sea Company's Slave Trading, c.1714-1739'

Giorgio Riello, 'The Diamond-Shaped Trade and Role of the Atlantic in the Eighteenth Century'

Lunch: 12:30-1:30

Panel 3: 1:30-2:40 Slavery, Revolution, and Empire

Ben Marsh, Chair

Eric Hinderaker, 'Age of Imperial Fracture – Legacies of Revolution'

Wim Klooster, 'Trans-Atlantic Popular Monarchism among Serfs and Slaves'
Crister Petley, 'Jamaican Slaveholders and the Age of Revolution'

Break

Panel 4: 3:00-4:15 The Empire Beyond the Atlantic

Diana Paton, Chair

Alison Games, 'Made by Women: The East India Company's First Fifty Years'.

Phil Stern, 'Britain in the Wider World: The Early Eighteenth Century'

Alan Lester, 'Colonial Humanitarians'

Break

Panel 5: 4:30-5.40 Trevor's Influence on French/Atlantic History

Wim Klooster, Chair

Susanne Lachenicht, 'The Future of Atlantic History from the Perspective of the Summer Academy of Atlantic History (2009 ff.)'

Allan Potofsky, 'Property and Power: A Comparative study of planters as urban elites in Paris and London'

François-Joseph Ruggiu, 'Trevor Burnard and the French imperial history'

RECEPTION: 5.50 – 7.50

DAY TWO

TUESDAY 1ST JULY 2025

Panel 6: 9.00-10:30 Britain and Slavery

Mark Knights, Chair

Michael Bennett, 'Metropolitan Capital, the Bank of England, and Plantation Development in the Ceded Islands, 1763-90'

Glenn Burgess, 'Nigel Biggar's Colonialism: Ethics and History'

Emma Hart, 'Tobias Smollett's Vision of Empire and the 'Problem' of Slavery'

Cassandra Gooptar, 'Research & Restorative Justice: The Case of the Guardian and its Links with Historical Slavery'

Break

Panel 7: 10:50-12:20 American Revolution

Mark Peterson, Chair

Eliga Gould, 'Lord Carlisle's Union: Making Peace in Britain, Ireland, and America, 1778-1783'

Simon Middleton, 'The history of money in James Franklin Jameson's, *The American Revolution Considered as a Social Movement*'

Andrew O'Shaughnessy, 'An Imperial History of the American Revolution'

Patrick Griffin, 'Charles Cornwallis, Revolution, and Empire'

Lunch: 12:20-1:30

Panel 8: 1:30-3:00 19th Century Slavery and Emancipation

Deirdre Coleman, Chair

David Brown, British Antislavery and American Civil War

John Coffey, 'Wild Dreams and Bitter Realities in British South America': The Demerara Slave Revolt, 1823'

Gad Heuman, 'The Apprenticeship System in the Caribbean: The World of the Planters'

John Oldfield, '1833 and beyond: commemoration, Ritual and British Transatlantic Slavery'

Break

Panel 9: 3:20-4:50 Trevor as Historian

Anne Gerritsen, Chair

Paul Betts, Trevor as Historian

Saul Dubow, Trevor as Historian

Nick Evans, Trevor & The Wilberforce Institute

Simon Newman, Trevor and Thistlewood

Closing Remarks, 4:50-5:00

Dinner 7pm

Tas Bloomsbury (for those registered for dinner only)

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