

Gerald Aylmer Seminar, Friday 29 April 2016, IHR

The Experience of the Archive

(20-minute papers)

10:00-11:00 Keynote, chaired by Peter Mandler

Carolyn Steedman (University of Warwick): 'In the Archive, Hearing Things: Lord Mansfield's Voices'

11:00-12:15 Session 1, chaired by Jeff James

Paul Carter (TNA) and Katrina Navickas (Herts)

Pauper and prisoners' letters – Home Office material at TNA: how we experience these now, incl. digitally, and how the 19th-c. Home Office clerks produced/experienced them. Difficulties of access etc.

12:15-13:00 Lunch

13:00-14:15 Session 2, chaired by Val Johnson

Maryanne Dever (University of Technology, Sydney) and Jenny Haynes (Wellcome)

Jenny Haynes: Reflections on a hybrid analogue/digital archive situated both in a research library and a public cultural venue, and wider themes about experiencing the archive.

14:15-15:30 Session 3, chaired by Lawrence Goldman

Michael Hughes (Bodleian Library, University of Oxford) and John Campbell (biographer)

John Campbell will discuss his experience of producing biographies e.g. of Heath, Thatcher, and using political papers e.g. of Roy Jenkins and Lloyd George.

15:30-15:45 Tea

15:45-17:00 Session 4, chaired by Elizabeth Shepherd

Filippo de Vivo (Birkbeck, University of London) and Claudia Salmini (Belluno State Archives, Italy) – will discuss their collaboration on the AR.C.H.I.ves project on early modern Italy