Royals on Tour: the Politics and Pageantry of Royal Visits

Department of History, SOPHI University of Sydney, 11-12 June 2015

All sessions will be held in Room 822 (the Common Room of the School of Philosophical and Historical Inquiry), Level 8 (Top Floor) of the Brennan MacCallum Building.

Morning and afternoon tea will be provided; lunch and the conference dinner will be at the participants' own expense. There is no registration charge for the conference.

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Thursday, 11 June 2015

9.00 Welcome and Introduction

9.30-11.00 Session 1: Royal Tours of Africa

Chair: Deryck Schreuder

Hilary Sapire (Birkbeck, University of London), The 1947 Royal Tour in 'Smuts' Raj': South Africa's Indian 'Stepchildren' and Questions of Belonging

Kai Easton (School of Oriental and African Studies, London), Images – Archives: The Royal Tour of South Africa in 1947 and the HMS *Vanguard*

Daniel Owen Spence (University of the Free State, Bloemfontein), Sultans, Chiefs, Kings and Queens: royal visits, naval theatre and British imperialism in East Africa

11.00-11.30 Morning coffee

11.30-12.30 Session 2: Early Modern European Tours

Chair: Cindy McCreery

Penny Nash (Sydney), Italy and her (German) Invaders - From Charlemagne to Henry VII: Pomp, Generosity and Ferocity

Aidan Norrie (Otago), 'A great and long voyage' – Princess Cecelia of Sweden's Visit to England in 1565

12.30-1.30 Lunch

1.30-3.45 Session 3: The Politics behind Tours of Australia

Chair: James Curran

Karen Fox (ANU), 'Her wish should have been the only guide': Royal Tours and the Bestowal of Honours

Karen Agutter (Adelaide), Her Majesty's Newest Subjects: The 1954 Royal Tour – Immigration and Assimilation

Caroline Hamilton (independent scholar), Corroboree for the Queen [1954]

Hugh Chilton (Scots College), Religious Royals in the New Australia: The Queen, the Pope and the Cook Bicentenary [1970]

3.45-4.15 Afternoon tea

4.15-5.15 'Q&A' with Jane Connors

A 'Question and Answer' session, chaired by the conference organisers, with Jane Connors, whose *Royal Visits to Australia* has just been published by the National Library of Australia. An informal reception will follow.

7.00 for 7.30 Conference dinner, Thai Pothong Restaurant, 294 King Street, Newtown

Friday, 12 June 2015

9.30-11.00 Session 5: Visual Records of the Prince of Wales's 1920s Tours of Australia and India

Chair: Cindy McCreery

Laura Breen (ANU), Travels with the Prince of Wales: Exploring the cinematographic record of the 1920 royal tour

Anita Callaway (Sydney), Our Digger Prince with the Australian Kiddies

Jim Masselos (Sydney), Views of the Prince of Wales's tour to India, 1921

11.00-11.30 Morning coffee

11.30-1.00 Session 6: Asian Engagements

Chair: Hans Pols

Jean Gelman Taylor (UNSW), Royal Tour by Proxy: the Embassy of Sultan Alauddin Shah of Aceh to the Netherlands, 1601-1603

Robert Aldrich (Sydney), Colonial Kings in France: the Visits of King Sisowath of Cambodia (1906) and Emperor Khai Dinh of Vietnam (1922)

Susie Protschky (Monash), Strained Encounters: Royal Indonesian Visits to the Dutch Court in the Early Twentieth Century

1.00-2.00 Lunch

2.00-3.30 Session 7: Indigenous Encounters

Chair: Miranda Johnson

Rohan Howitt (Sydney), Poihakena: Maori Chiefs on Tour in New South Wales, 1793-1840

Catherine Bishop (Australian Catholic University), The Duke, the King, the Missionary and Daisy Bates: A Royal Encounter at Ooldea Siding, 1934

Blanca Tovias (Sydney), Prince Charles's royal tour of Alberta, Canada in 1977

3.30-4.00 Afternoon tea

4.00-5.00 Session 8: Inventing Royal Tours

Chair: Robert Aldrich

Cindy McCreery (Sydney,) Following Alfred: The First British Royal Tour and its Successors

Matt Fitzpatrick (Flinders), Simulating Monarchy: The Kaiser and Kaiserin's Voyage to the Orient, 1898

5.00-5.30 General Discussion and Conclusion